

Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Van Buren, held on June 19, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Van Buren Town Hall, 7575 Van Buren Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

Mr. Roger Hand	Councilor
Mr. Robert Grover	Councilor
Mrs. Jennifer Sullivan	Councilor
Mrs. Wendy Van Der Water	Councilor
Ms. Darcie Lesniak	Acting Supervisor

Also Present:

Mr. Jason Hoy	Town Engineer
Ms. Lynn Precourt	Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Ms. Lesniak said our regularly scheduled meeting happens to fall on today but I would be remiss to not mention the significance of this day.

Juneteenth is the oldest internationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. Two and a half years after President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, which became official on January 1, 1863, it took until June 19, 1865 for Union Soldiers to land in Galveston, Texas with the news that the war had ended and the enslaved were now free.

It is important for us to remember that not all Americans were free after the Declaration of Independence in 1776 or the signing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787. Today we recognize that moment in history when President Lincoln declared that all enslaved people are free.

Approve Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2024:

128-24-000 MOTION BY Mrs. Van Der Water, seconded by Mr. Grover, to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on June 5, 2024 as published.

Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes  
Motion Carried & Adopted

Citizens Comments:

Mr. Kevin Berler, 218 Daywood Drive, was present to address the Board. He said he has an autistic child and presented material from New York State that allows for placement of a sign near his house indicating such and is asking the Board to consider sign installation.

Appoint Michael Burke as Town Councilor, term to expire 12/31/24:

129-24-002 MOTION BY Mrs. Van Der Water, seconded by Mr. Grover, to appoint Michael Burke effective immediately with a term to expire 12/31/24.

Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes  
Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve Vouchers:

130-24-007 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mrs. Van Der Water, to approve payment of claims 232292-232336 in the amount of \$61,216.12.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve budget transfers:

131-24-007 MOTION BY Mrs. Van Der Water, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, to approve a loan from the General Fund in the amount of \$45,000 to the Seneca Drainage District to pay for an unexpected repair.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve clerk software maintenance with Edmunds in the amount of \$2,078.11:

132-24-001.1 MOTION BY Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Grover, to approve the clerk software maintenance with Edmunds in the amount of \$2,078.11.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve issuance of a trash hauler license for Chuck It Haulers:

133-24-021 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mrs. Van Der Water, to approve issuance of a trash hauler license for Chuck It Haulers.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve \$35.00 refund for building permit to homeowner at 128 Commune Road W who needs Canal Corp. approval before building permit issuance:

134-24-007 MOTION BY Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Grover, to approve \$35.00 refund for building permit to homeowner at 128 Commune Road W who needs Canal Corp. approval before building permit issuance.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Declare barcode reader, item no. 299 surplus and authorize disposal:

135-24-000 MOTION BY Mrs. Van Der Water, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, to declare barcode reader, item no. 299 surplus and authorize disposal.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Appoint Acea Hinman as seasonal buildings and grounds laborer effective 6/20/24 at a rate of \$18.00/hour:

136-24-038 MOTION BY Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Grover, to appoint Acea Hinman as seasonal buildings and grounds laborer effective 6/20/24 at a rate of \$18.00/hour.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Councilor Committee Reports and Comments:

Mr. Grover reminded residents that school is out for the summer starting Friday afternoon and to watch for more children in the neighborhoods.

Mrs. Van Der Water welcomed Mr. Burke and said she is looking forward to working with him.

Mrs. Sullivan attended the Canton Woods Senior Center Board of Directors Meeting and has the following announcements:

The annual car show is June 24<sup>th</sup>. They are looking for donations for prizes and volunteers for parking.

They have an opening for Treasurer, anyone interested can contact her

B'Ville Express is in need of volunteer drivers

They have interviewed for the Director position and have three good candidates

Mr. Burke said he is glad to be here.

Supervisor Comments:

Ms. Lesniak said the water chestnut harvesting has begun and they are working their way toward the Seneca River. She said this is proof that partnerships work and thanked the Village of Baldwinsville and Emmi Farms and Hourigan Farms.

Engineer Comments: None

Attorney Comments: None

137-24-000 MOTION BY Mrs. Van Der Water, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, to adjourn to the next Regular Town Board Meeting on July 3, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Meeting closed 7:14 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Precourt  
Town Clerk

Dated: 6/20/24