

The regular meeting of the Richfield Town Board was held on Monday, April 19, 2021, in the Richfield Highway Garage. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Supervisor Palevsky. Supervisor Palevsky thanked the Highway Department for allowing the board to hold the meeting in the garage.

Board members present were Bello, Eckler, Frigault, and Seamon. Highway Superintendent Proctor and Clerk Young were also in attendance.

Motion by Bello to pay all claims with three signatures, second by Palevsky. Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-yes.

A General	\$15,538.31
B Town Outside Village	\$84.50
DA Highway	\$17,463.36
DB Highway	\$ 3,121.03
SL Street Lighting	\$63.64
Total	\$36,273.84

Clerk Young reported that tax collection will wrap up at the end of the month. \$1,219,949.05 has been collected as of close of business on April 19, 2021. \$256,013.76 remains outstanding.

Motion by Seamon to accept the March 15, 2021 minutes, second by Palevsky. Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-yes.

Highway Superintendent Proctor asked the board to make a motion to advertise for paving bids.

Motion by Seamon for the Highway Superintendent to advertise for paving bids, second by Frigault. Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-yes.

Proctor reported there will be an increase in CHIPS reimbursement funds this year.

Planning Board Chairman Sullivan reported there was one new subdivision application presented to the Planning Board at the April 12, 2021 meeting. The board set a public hearing for the Curtin subdivision for May 10, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Klemm and ZBA Chairman Cantwell reported on the DEC's order of consent for the project at 349 Moyer Rd. After Floccuzio has complied with the DEC's order of consent, Klemm will issue a land use permit to the applicant and the area variance application can be withdrawn. ZBA Chairman Cantwell made it clear to the applicant that he is not to encroach on the setbacks for any reason moving forward.

The turbidity and iron tests have been completed at Bakers Beach; Bello is waiting to receive the results. The board had a discussion on possibly installing docks and renting dock space at Bakers Beach. The board would like to see specs written from two different vendors.

Motion by Frigault to reinstall docks at Bakers Beach and to go out to bid for aluminum docks, second by Bello Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-yes.

Ryan Fagan presented the board with a schedule and general plans for operating Bakers Beach for the 2021 season.

Motion by Bello to hire Ryan Fagan as beach manager for the 2021 season at last year's rate of pay, second by Seamon. Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-yes.

Zoning Committee Chairman Palumbo sent his report via email to the board. Palumbo requested the Town Board hold a special meeting on May 3, 2021 for the Zoning Committee to present their findings after reviewing the 2019 Zoning Law and receiving input from the community. The committee's final meeting will be on April 26, 2021.

Motion by Seamon to hold a special meeting on May 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm, location to be determined, second by Bello. Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-yes.

Old Business

Supervisor Palevsky received a quote from Spectrum for a 36 month agreement for phone service. The total monthly charge for 5 voice lines, 2 fax lines, and fees totals \$322.00. There is a one-time \$500.00 installation fee. Spectrum will also provide new phones for each line. Proctor asked if there is a guarantee on equipment. Supervisor Palevsky will find out and circle back next month with the final details.

Supervisor Palevsky read a prepared statement regarding the creation of the water sewer district in the town for the proposed business park.

The board had a discussion on how the funding gap will be completed to create the water sewer district.

Motion by Frigault affirming the Town Board's July 15th's 2019 commitment to work with the Village of Richfield Springs and the Otsego County IDA to negotiate a mutually agreeable agreement between us to create water and sewers districts as part of the IDA's Richfield Business Park, second by Seamon. Bello-no, Eckler-no, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-no. **Motion not moved.**

Motion by Frigault to forward the Water and Sewer Intermunicipal Cooperation Agreements and Map Plans and Engineering Report in their current unfinished forms to the Richfield Village Board so they may begin their deliberation on the same, second by Seamon. Bello-yes, Eckler-yes, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-no.

Motion by Frigault that in matters involving the Richfield Business Park that I, Larry Frigault, be included in all conversations either oral or written involving the Town Attorney and further I be allowed access to the Town Attorney regarding all issues surrounding the Richfield Business Park, second by Seamon. Bello-Abstain, Eckler-no, Frigault-yes, Seamon-yes, Palevsky-no. **Motion not moved.**

The board did not receive any letters of interest for the Board of Assessment Review.

New Business

Motion by Palevsky to accept TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #1 of 2021

Resolution Rescinding Resolution 13 of 2018 and Resolution 04 of 2019

Pertaining to

Municipal Emergency Medical Services

WHEREAS, this Board adopted 2 resolutions (13-2018 and 04-2019) pertaining to Municipal Emergency Medical Services; and,

WHEREAS, this Board desires to rescind those resolutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby,

RESOLVED, that Resolution 13 of 2018 and Resolution 04 of 2019, both pertaining to Municipal Emergency Medical Services, be and are hereby rescinded in their entirety.

The Resolution shall take effect immediately, second by Eckler.

After the board discussed the matter, more information is needed. Supervisor Palevsky withdrew his motion. The board will discuss this matter further at the next meeting.

The board received a letter from Paul Palumbo stating he will not be seeking re-appointment for confidential secretary or computer information security officer next year.

Supervisor Palevsky received a quote from Cardiac Life for Program Management for the AED (Automated External Defibrillator) systems. The program management offers medical direction and safe tracking. The board discussed if this was necessary and what exactly the service entails. Supervisor Palevsky will get more information.

The board discussed changing garbage service to Home Town Hauling for the 96 gl weekly pickup. Supervisor Palevsky will cancel service with Casella Waste and switch service to Home Town Hauling.

Privilege of the Floor

Dick Johnson asked the board to post ZBA members phone numbers on the town website for easier access.

Bill Klemm suggested holding meetings at a different location because it is very hard to hear in the garage.

Dawn Seamon addressed Supervisor Palevsky saying he has been fighting the business park for years. Other members of the board should have access to the town attorney, not just the supervisor.

Motion by Eckler to adjourn at 9:05 pm second by Palevsky. All members were in favor.

Maggie Young

