

The Regular meeting of the Sidney Town Board was called to order by the Eric Wilson Town Supervisor at 7:00 p.m. April 11, 2024, in the boardroom at 44 Grand Street, Sidney. Prior to the meeting, bills were audited by the Board.

Present were:

Eric Wilson	Supervisor
Codey Lambrecht	Highway Superintendent
Bill Heath	Councilman
Kevin Greene	Councilman
Frank Selleck	Councilman
Paul Muratore	Councilman
Joseph A. Ermeti	Attorney
Sheila R Paul	Clerk

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION/PRAYER

SPEAKERS:

Larry Underwood Executive Director and Ian Gedicks, Program Technician from Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District. ( SWCD) did a presentation on the Susquehanna Watershed that impacts the East Sidney Lake with an algae, that is a direct result of erosion and nutrient runoff from farms along the Ouleout Creek. The SWCD is working with the agricultural community to clean up the runoffs.

Underwood did say that they have received grants to assist with improving the water quality in the Susquehanna Watershed. SWCD has been awarded a 3 million Conservation Integration Grant, some of the money will be used to provide incentives to farmers who are willing to change their practices to improve water quality.

Gedicks has worked with most of the farmers along Ouleout Creek to educate them about the problems caused by the runoff and encourage them to participate in the SWCD’s remediation program.

Town Attorney Joseph Ermeti asked if SWCD would be reaching out to landowners along the other tributaries, including Carrs Creek. Gerick’s stated that we would like to engage with all the Delaware County farmers in Susquehanna Watershed. SWCD is working to improve the water quality in the Susquehanna Watershed and the Chesapeake Bay and East Sidney Lake.

Jennifer Miller, the Community Engagement Coordinator for Tobacco Free Communities Delaware-Otsego-Schoharie spoke about education and assist in creating smoke-free outdoor spacing and smoke-free residences.

Ms. Miller, that agency, which is funded by the New York State Department of Health, provides signs denoting smoke and vape-free areas at no cost.

Loddie Marsh from the Sidney Center Improvement Group asked board to designate the Sidney Center playground to be smoke and vape free.

**RESOLUTION # 4-2024**

**AUTHORIZING TO DESIGNATE THE SIDNEY CENTER PLAYGROUND SMOKE AND VAPE FREE**

A motion was made by Councilman Mr. Selleck seconded by Councilman Muratore to approve the Sidney Center Playground smoke and Vape Free.

March 11, 2024  
Sidney, New York  
Passed Unanimously

**APPROVE TOWN BOARD MINUTES:** Regular & Organization Meeting held on March 14, 2024, Motion to accepted minutes, by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Wilson and carried. **AYES:** E. B. Heath, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

**General A Fund Voucher:** 24-98 thru 24-155 in the amount of \$ 93,247.18 Motion by Mr. Selleck seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

**B Fund Voucher:** 24-5 thru 24-6 in the amount of \$ 309.47 Motion by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Selleck and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, B. Heath , K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

**East Sidney Lake Voucher:** 24-8 thru 24-11 in the amount of \$ 3,76.05 Motion by Mr. Greene, seconded by Mr. Muratore and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, F. Selleck, B. Heath. **NAYES:** None

**SL Sidney Center Street Light:** 24-4 in the amount of \$ 360.86 Motion by Mr. Selleck, seconded by Mr. Muratore and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, B. Heath, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

**Total General Vouchers: \$ 97,682.56**

**Highway DA Fund Vouchers:** 24-39 thru 24-55 in the amount of \$ 19,010.75 Motion by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Selleck and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, B. Heath, K. Greene, **NAYES:** None

**Highway DB Fund Vouchers:** 24-5 in the amount of \$ 7,509.68 Motion by Mr. Heath and seconded by Mr. Muratore and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, F. Selleck, K. Greene **NAYES:** None

**Total Highway Vouchers: \$ 26,520.43**

**CM Hospital Fund Vouchers:** 24-48 thru 24-72 in the amount of \$ 17,666.43 Motion by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Greene and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, F. Selleck, B. Heath, **NAYES:** None.

**Total Vouchers paid: \$ 142,119.91**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**REPORTS/DISTRIBUTED:**

Monthly reports of Supervisor, Bookkeeper and Town Clerk. Clerk is submitting checks totaling in \$ **1,125.00** fees collected during March 2024.

**REPORTS/ORAL**

**HIGHWAY**- Highway Superintendent Codey Lambrecht: The Hwy crew continues to be clearing trees and brush. Waiting for more bids for paving to come in, but have all the stone hauled in. Issue with the oil and stone on River Rd and have been in contact with Suit-Kote who did the work last year, and they are coming back in the Spring to fix with no cost to the Town, when finished the lines will be painted.

Need to place ad in the paper for Clean up days, which is scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> through May 9<sup>th</sup>. Motion was made by E. Wilson to place ad in newspaper for clean-up days and it was seconded by Mr. Selleck and carried. **AYES:** B. Health, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

Need the Board to make two separate motions for approval to award the mowing bids as well as the fuel bids. On Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>, Supervisor Wilson, Highway Superintendent Lambrecht and Councilman Selleck open sealed bids for both mowing and fuel. Mowing bid is for the Sidney Center playground and three properties:

- We received a total of 5 bids:
- Ground Control Lawns & Landscaping LLC was \$5200.00.
- DuMond Contracting was \$ 1890.00.
- Phillip Hanley was \$ 4600.00.
- Corey Steffin was \$ 5000.00.
- All Weather Enterprises was \$ 5220.00.

Lowest and responsible bid was DuMond Contracting at \$ 1890.00 need a motion to award bid. Motion was made by Mr. Selleck to award bid to DuMond Contracting and seconded by Mr. Muratore and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, B. Heath, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

We received a total of 2 bids for the fuel. Mirabito Holdings and Blueox; See bid sheets below.

**TOWN OF SIDNEY  
HIGHWAY SUPPLIES  
BID SHEET**

Contract period shall be May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025.

	Estimated Quantity Needed	Firm Price	Pre-pay Price	Fluctuating Price
1. a) On Road Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel-Summer	6,000	3.2375		
b) On Road Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel-Winter	4,000	3.2625		
2. K-1 Kerosene	2,000	3.8875		
3. UL #2 Regular Gas	4,000			
4. a) Heating Fuel Oil - Hospital	35,000	3.1803	3.0803	
b) Heating Fuel Oil - Hospital Clinic	2,000	3.1803		
c) Heating Fuel Oil - Highway Garage	2,000	3.1803		
d) Heating Fuel Oil - 44 Grand Street	5,000	3.1803		
5. Diesel Fuel - Hospital	2,000	3.2375		
6. Propane - 44 Grand Street	200 lbs.	2.39		

\* Pre-pay is for the Heating oil, 35,000 gallons, for the Hospital ONLY. Bid Hospital as both Pre-pay and Firm price. Fuel to Hospital will be delivered in approximately 2000-2500 gallons. 1 Tank of 2500 gallons Delivered as ordered.

Fuel to Hospital Clinic will be delivered into 1 Roth tank of 400 gallons.  
Fuel to Highway Garage will be delivered into 2 tanks of 275 gallons each.  
Fuel to 44 Grand Street will be delivered into a 500 gallon underground tank.  
Hospital Clinic, Highway Garage and Grand Street will be on automatic delivery.

ALL deliveries are to be made by tank wagon.

**PRICE AND METHOD OF AWARD**

Price for heating and automotive fuels are requested on two options: firm and fluctuating price. Firm price shall remain firm throughout the contract. Fluctuating prices shall fluctuate as a fixed differential added to the average of the high and low of the Reseller Rack for unbranded ethanol gasoline, diesel, and heating oil fuel and kerosene price at Albany, NY as posted in the Journal of Commerce. Fuel prices shall fluctuate as a differential of the average of the Albany reseller tank wagon price as posted in the Journal of Commerce. This price is to be adjusted weekly. Award will be made on either a firm or fluctuating basis. Payments will be made on actual quantities of fuel supplied and in the case of fluctuating bids, at the price in effect at the time of delivery. The Town does not guarantee the purchase of the estimated quantities.

Name: Julia Miller  
Company: Blueox Corporation  
Address: 35 N Canal St  
City, State, Zip: Oxford NY 13830  
Phone: 607-843-2583  
Email: jmm@blueoxenergy.com

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2. K-1 Kerosene	2,000	\$4.0128		+ .2525
3. UL #2 Regular Gas	4,000	16 Bid		+ .2525
4. a) Heating Fuel Oil - Hospital	35,000	\$3.4470	\$3.3470	+ .2525
b) Heating Fuel Oil - Hospital/Clinic	2,000	\$3.4470	\$3.3470	+ .2525
c) Heating Fuel Oil - Highway Garage	2,000	\$3.4470		+ .2525
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Name: Matthew J. Alcock, S.P.O. Home Comfort  
Company: Mirabito Holdings, Inc. dba Mirabito Energy Products  
Address: The Motorcenter 49 Court St. P.O. Box 5306  
City, State, Zip: Binghamton, NY 13902  
Phone: 607-352-2800  
Email: m@mirabito.com

\*Firm/Pre-pay bid price option must be accepted by written notification to Mirabito Energy Products by April 15, 2024, 10:00 PM to Joe O'Neil @ joe@mirabito.com. Acceptance after the aforementioned time and date will be the sole discretion of Mirabito Energy Products. Pricing is in accordance with current applicable laws and governmental acts. Mirabito reserves the right to pass along future changes in laws and governmental law to the customer.

Lowest and responsible bid was Blueox Corporation. Motion was made by Mr. Selleck to award the bid to Blueox Corporation and seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. AYES: E. Wilson, K. Greene, P. Muratore. NAYES: none

The Hwy crew is continuing to work on fixing some equipment. KJBL Electronics came in and worked on the radios, as they went through and checked the working conditions and replaced a couple of radios that were bad.

**SUPERVISOR**- Eric Wilson: County Supervisor worked with FEMA on the water for the Village of Sidney.

**BOOKKEEPER**- Karen Kropp: Nothing

**TOWN CLERK**- Sheila Paul: All checkbooks are balanced and that the Money Market account for the taxes earned quite bit of interest, which half will be coming to the county when the tax account is closed out after April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Highway**-Selleck & Wilson: Mr. Selleck stated that a rock from a mow broke a window and that it will be fixed.

**Hospital**- Muratore/ Wilson: Had a filming company reach out and wants to do some drone shots of the hospital this coming weekend.

**Insurance**-Heath / Greene: Nothing to report.

**Zoning & Planning**- Muratore/ Selleck: Meeting on Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> . Discussion about campgrounds and tiny houses.

**East Sidney Lake**- Heath/ Selleck: Opening day is May 3<sup>rd</sup>. New fence has been ordered and the members of the Carpenters Union will be helping to install 850-foot split rail fence on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Playground equipment was ordered but hasn't shipped until payment is made, but once the payment is received, it should be about two weeks for delivery.

**Finance**-Muratore/ Wilson: Town is good shape.

**IT**- Wilson/ Muratore: Frank and Paul will be running lines for WiFi on Sunday.

**Justice**: Greene/ Heath: Nothing

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Loddie Marsh from the Sidney Center Improvement Group would like to turn the Sidney Center playground over to the Town of Sidney, which the town will be responsible for its maintenance and upkeep, along with insuring the property. Ermet Town Attorney stated that Mr. VanGorder Town's insurance agent was aware of the situation and the town was performing due diligence before taking responsibility for the park.

Councilman Greene met with members of the Delaware County Planning Department regarding apply for some grants. Pro-Housing Community and the Restore New York Communities Initiative. Mr. Greene needs the Town Boards approval for a public posting regarding the town project that grant money would fund. Mr. Greene made a motion to place a public meeting notice for the next Board meeting that is scheduled for May 9 2024, in the Report and it was seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. AYES: E. Wilson, F. Selleck, P. Muratore. NAYES: none

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Having a public meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss Grants in more details.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

**EXCUSTIVE SESSION:** Personnel business

At 8:30 Supervisor Wilson motioned to go into an executive session, and it was seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. AYES: F. Selleck, K. Greene, P. Muratore. AYES: none

At 8:45 Mr. Selleck motioned to come out of executive session, and it was seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. AYES: E. Wilson, K. Greene, P. Muratore. NAYES: none

**Adjourn:**

At 8:46 p.m. Mr. Wilson motioned to adjourn meeting and seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. **AYES:** F. Selleck, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

Next Regular Board Meeting will be on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila R Paul, Town Clerk