

The Regular meeting of the Sidney Town Board was called to order by the Eric Wilson Town Supervisor at 7:00 p.m. February 8, 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

APPROVE TOWN BOARD MINUTES: Regular & Organization Meeting held on January 4, 2024, Motion to accepted minutes, by Mr. Selleck seconded by Mr. Greene and carried.

AYES: E. Wilson, B. Heath, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General A Fund Voucher: 24-27 thru 224-67 in the amount of \$ 51,224.05 Motion by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, F. Selleck, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

B Fund Voucher: 24-1 thru 24-3 in the amount of \$773.47 Motion by Mr. Heath seconded by Mr. Muratore and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, F. Selleck, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

East Sidney Lake Voucher: 24-3 thru 23-5 in the amount of \$548.06. Motion by Mr. Selleck seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

SL Sidney Center Street Light: 24-2 in the amount of \$ 403.93. Motion by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Selleck and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, B. Heath, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

Total General Vouchers: \$ 52,949.51

Highway DA Fund Vouchers: 24-9 thru 24-18 in the amount of \$ 28,840.88 Motion by Mr. Heath seconded by Mr. Selleck and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

Highway DB Fund Vouchers: 24-2 in the amount of \$ 110.94 Motion by Mr. Muratore and seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. **AYES:** E. Wilson, F. Selleck, K. Greene. **NAYES:** None

Total Highway Vouchers: \$ 28,951.82

CM Hospital Fund Vouchers: 24-11 thru 24-31 in the amount of \$ 31,747.51 Motion by Mr. Muratore seconded by Mr. Wilson and carried. **AYES:** F. Selleck, B. Heath, K. Greene **NAYES:** None.

Total Vouchers paid: \$ 113,519.63

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Selleck motion to have the Town have Narcan available in the Town Building, which is to include Town Clerk and Town Court. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and carried. **AYES:** B. Heath, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None. Mr. Selleck is working on scheduling training sometime in March.

REPORTS/DISTRIBUTED:

Monthly reports of Supervisor, Bookkeeper and Town Clerk. Clerk is submitting checks totaling in \$ **875.00** fees collected during January 2024.

REPORTS/ORAL

HIGHWAY- Highway Superintendent Codey Lambrecht: January was a busy month for snow and ice removal. Crew worked about every Saturday and Sunday due to weather. Still clearing up trees and shrubs. Asplund had taken down a few more trees for us. Also, servicing equipment as needed. Had a few breakdowns, but all is up and working.

Resolution 1-2024

Payment for New Ram 5500 Truck:

Codey Lambrecht Town Highway Superintendent asked the board for a motion to move money for payment.

A motion was made by Mr. Wilson to make payment of \$118,000.00 which \$59,000 was in the DA line and \$ 59,000 in DB line. It was second by Mr. Selleck. **AYES:** B. Heath, K. Greene, P. Muratore.

NAYES: None

Getting information with multiple companies on prices for 2024 paving season, this includes materials such as stones, oil, and pavement.

I have attended trainings in Syracuse on road preservation.

SUPERVISOR- Eric Wilson- Mr. Wilson asked the board to approve an Assessor training/ internship and fill that position with William Hunt, Jr. as Mrs. Linn Wilson's term is up in September 2025 and would like to have someone ready to take over her duties whenever she decides to retire.

Motion was made by Mr. Wilson to appoint Mr. William Hunt Jr as non-paid Assessor Internship and it was seconded by Mr. Muratore. Councilmember Mr. Greene thought the opportunity should be opened up to the public. After discussion, council members decided to post an unpaid Assessor internship in the paper. The Report for 2 weeks and called for a special meeting, which is scheduled for February 29th at 6:00. The motion was tabled until the special meeting.

BOOKKEEPER- Karen Kropp: Nothing

TOWN CLERK- Sheila Paul: End of the first month of Taxes for 2024 and have paid the Town. Credit card online for taxes are getting ready. Should have it up and running for online tax payment before the end of February.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Highway-Selleck & Wilson: Nothing to Report

Hospital- Muratore/ Wilson: Fire system needs to be updated which will be a substantial outlay of money. Replaced a 50-year-old generator at the cost of \$3,500.

Insurance-Heath / Greene Mr. Heath stated that he and Mr. Greene will meet with the Bill VanGorder who is our insurance rep, to discuss the Town's policies. Mr., Greene stated that he has been trying to solicit other bids, but The Hospital is on of the main concerns for insurance providers.

Zoning & Planning- Muratore/ Selleck: Mr. Muratore announced the Zoning Board will meet Monday February 19th to discuss tiny-house zoning.

East Sidney Lake- Heath/ Selleck: Mr. Nolan park manager reported that the seasonal cost to go from \$1300 to \$1400 for 2024 season. Mr. Nolan added that verbiage to the camping contract for 2024 will be stating that UTV/ quadcycle use will be prohibited, and that the Town would have the right to adjust the rules as concerns or issues arise. Mr. Nolan asked Mr. Muratore to place an ad in the paper for seasonal workers.

Finance-Muratore/ Wilson: Mr. Wilson stated that all Accounts for the Town are set up for position pay, which is to give the accounts more security.

IT- Wilson/ Muratore: Mr. Muratore has been addressing IT issues with Mr. Ouimet in the Hospital. Also, getting a newer computer for Mr. Ouimet which will aid him in completing reports.

Mr. Muratore is working on setting up a location for shared documents for the Town Board. Mr. Muratore and Mr. Selleck will be working together to set up the live streaming system sometime in May 2024.

Justice: Greene/ Heath: Mr. Greene will be doing an in-house Audit with the court.

DCO liaison- Greene: January was a busy month. The NYS DOT has a site where they place deer that are hit by cars, and it has become an attraction for dogs and which most are unlicensed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Green is looking into getting iPad for each entrance which would be to monitor activity, but also be used for payroll.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Resident Dan Bradshaw asked the board when they plan on updating the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Muratore stated that they are hoping to start discussions this summer 2024.

Nate Ouimet asked about Grants that could help with the cost of some of the expensive. Mr. Wilson stated that Mr. Selleck has been working on obtaining a grant for the past 6 years.

Adjourn: At 8:16 p.m. Mr. Wilson motioned to adjourn meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Heath and carried. **AYES:** F. Selleck, K. Greene, P. Muratore. **NAYES:** None

Next Regular Board Meeting will be on March 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila R Paul, Town Clerk