

TOWN OF MENTZ REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 17, 2021

Supervisor Niens called the meeting to order at 7:00, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and asked for a moment of silence.

Members Present: Supervisor Niens, Councilman Mark Emerson, Councilman Matt Poynier, Councilman Jeff Mills and Councilwoman Barbara Clancy.

Others Present: Attorney Kevin Cox, Town Clerk Charleen Wood, Highway Superintendent David Niens, Code Enforcement Officer Jay Moose, Court Clerk Debbie Dennis, Planning Board Member Matthias Mullins, Bob & Tammy Smith, Walt & Donna Trumble, Thomas O'Brien, Renee & Jeff Dufflo, Chris Hutchings and Kevin Keyser.

Public Hearing 7:05 PM: Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poynier to open the public hearing on Opting out of Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites. Motion carried 5-0. Supervisor Niens asked if there were questions or concerns. There were none.

Minutes Approval: Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Meeting: Motion made by Jeff Mills and seconded by Mark Emerson to approve/accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Audit of Bills:

General A	\$22,073.81	VO 143-167
Highway DB	\$15,541.35	VO 65-69
General B	\$ 40.00	VO 10

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Mark Emerson to approve the audit of bills with Richard Niens abstaining from Voucher A 143 \$694.22. Motion carried 5-0.

Jeff Mills stated that he had canoed down the outlet from Hayden Road to the Seneca River and had encountered a tree down in the waterway which will create problems if not removed. Dave Niens stated that this is a county issue, and he will contact the County Highway Department.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion made by Matt Poyneer and seconded by Barbara Clancy to approve the request from the Office of the Aging requesting funds in the amount of \$140.00 for Meals on Wheels. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Matt Poyneer and seconded by Barbara Clancy to approve \$200 for the SCAT VAN in 2022 and authorized the Supervisor to sign the contract. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to set a public hearing for Local Law #3 Regulating Peddlers and Temporary Vendors on 9/21/2021 at 7:05 PM. Motion carried 5-0. **Review on Conservation Zone changes** recommended by the Planning Board – **Motion** made by Matt Poyneer and seconded by Richard Nielsen directing the attorney to prepare proposed amendment to Zoning Laws in line with Planning Board opinion. Motion carried 5-0.

DUFLO – Jeff Dufflo discussed the mosquito spraying criteria stated he had sprayed 2000 acres on 6/10 and 8/3 and stated that weather conditions and wind speed played an important part in his ability to spray. We will be scheduling an additional spray in the future.

Reports:

Highway Department – David Nielsen – Written Report

Roads & Bridges – Barbara Clancy – All OK

Code Enforcement – Jay Moose – Written Report

Buildings & Grounds – Mark Emerson – All OK

Dog Control – Lucy Ware – All running smooth

Youth, Parks & Rec – Jeff Mills – All OK

Landfill & Recycling – Mark Emerson – All OK

Cemetery – Lucy Ware – All running smooth – Burial 8/28

Planning Board – Matt Poyneer – No Report

ZBA – Lucy Ware – No Report

Town Clerk – Charleen Wood – All running smooth – new DEC printer received 8/1

Historian – Mike Riley – No Report

Village Liaison – Richard Nielsen – No Report

Veteran's Memorial – Lucy Ware/Jeff Emerson – No Report

Supervisor asked if there were questions or concerns regarding Local Law #2 – Opting out of Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites – there were None

Motion made by Matt Poyneer and seconded by Barbara Clancy to close the public hearing. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to adopt Local Law #2 subject to Public Referendum. Motion carried 5-0.

Attorney for Town: Kevin Cox
Lagoon Issues – stated that Nicole Smith in charge of digester and would like to attend the September meeting. Mr. Cox will extend the invitation. There is a public health law that can be brought into play. Kathleen Cuddy is the contact person.
The Board cannot monitor the lagoon it must be a community effort.
Motion made by Barbara Clancy and seconded by Matt Poyneer to adjourn at 8:23 PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Charleen Wood
Town Clerk