

Town of Alexandria Board Meeting
August 26, 2020 @ 5:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance: Supervisor Brent Sweet, Councilman John Stine and Councilman Sandy Caputo, Councilman Mike Fayette, Attorney Bob Slye, Jessy Hudon, Town Clerk and Mike Tibbles, Hwy Supt. Absent Ron Thomson

Approval of minutes: Motion to approve the July 8, 15, 22, 29 minutes. Motion made by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Supervisor Brent Sweet. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent: (Thomson)
Motion Passed.

Approval of Bills: Motion made by Supervisor Brent Sweet seconded by Councilman Sandy Caputo. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent: (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Privilege of the floor:

Jim VanCour asked the board if the town owns the Stables on Route 12. Supervisor Brent Sweet stated there are several environmental issues that need to be taken care/ pending approval before the town buys the property. 2nd Q: Will Ice arena open and when? Supervisor Sweet stated the town is following the NYS rules for sports (Ice Hockey) due to Covid. 3rd Q: What's going on with the grant for a new Zamboni? Supervisor Sweet stated that the grant is in limbo at this time, but will look into it.

Suzanne Stine commented on a letter sent to the board accusing Mrs. Stine of calling the individuals work and trying to get her fired. Mrs. Stine denied the accusation.

Shelly Bruce discussed her opinion on the appointed vs. elected vote. Mrs. Bruce asked the board questions such as Supervisors job description, salaries for Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor and Newspaper articles.

Supervisor Sweet read a letter sent to the board from Aimee Bendle Sarmiento: The letter made reference to a political conversation on facebook.

Andrew Nelson asked the board if the term of the Town Clerk can be changed to two years instead of four years.

End of Privilege of the floor:

Streetscape Grant between the Town and Village of Alex Bay
Resolution to Declare Lead Agency and Issue a Negative Declaration under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Part 1-3

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE LEAD AGENCY AND ISSUE A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER THE
STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT (SEQRA)

WHEREAS the Town of Alexandria has proposed several improvements to repair deteriorating conditions at two public boat docks and ramps (Holland Street and Crossman Street), the replacement and installation of deteriorating or needed sidewalks at municipally-owned properties, and other improvements to enhance aesthetics, hereinafter referred to as "said Actions", and

WHEREAS said Actions require review under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), per 6NYCRR Part 617, and

WHEREAS said Actions are classified as Unlisted Actions as they do not exceed the Type 1 thresholds included in 6NYCRR Part 617, Section 617.4(b), and

WHEREAS a Short or Full Environmental Assessment Form may be prepared for an Unlisted Action, and

WHEREAS multiple agencies have approval or funding authority over said Actions, and

WHEREAS 6NYCRR Part 617.2(u) defines "Lead Agency" as, "an involved agency principally responsible for undertaking funding or approving an action, and therefore responsible for determining whether an environmental impact statement is required in connection with the action, and for the preparation and filing of the statement if one is required", and

WHEREAS the Town of Alexandria intends to act as Lead Agency in the coordinated review of said Actions under SEQRA and further intends to implement and complete all responsibilities of that office, and
WHEREAS, other involved agencies were notified of the Town's intent to act as Lead Agency on July 27, 2020 and were provided with a copy of part one of the Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and supporting documentation, and

WHEREAS the Town of Alexandria received no written objections from the Involved Agencies, and

WHEREAS the Town of Alexandria and their consultants have prepared and filed a Full Environmental Assessment Form which identifies the potential environmental impacts which may result from said Actions, and

WHEREAS, the potential impacts as enumerated below were reviewed by the Town of Alexandria with consultation from Town consultants, and determined to have "no or small impacts" (see Attached Parts 2 and 3 of the EAF):

- Impact on Land;
- Impact on Geological Features;
- Impact on Groundwater;
- Impact on Surface Water
- Impact on Plants and Animals;
- Impact on Flooding;
- Impact on Agricultural Resources;
- Impact on Aesthetic Resources;
- Impacts on Air;
- Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources;
- Impact on Open Space/Recreation;
- Impact on Critical Environmental Areas;
- Impact on Transportation;
- Impact on Energy;
- Impact on Noise, Odor and Light;
- Impact on Human Health;
- Consistency with Community Plans;
- Consistency with Community Character; and

WHEREAS, the completed Part 3 of the EAF indicated how impacts have been avoided, minimized and/or mitigated to the extent practicable, and

WHEREAS, said Actions will result in improvements to the existing public facilities within Alexandria Bay and the surrounding users.

Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Alexandria declares itself Lead Agency, as defined in 6NYCRR Part 617.2(u), for the coordinated review of said Actions under SEQRA, and

RESOLVED, that the Town of Alexandria declares that, based on the Environmental Record which has been prepared, the project will result in no significant adverse environmental impacts. A Negative Declaration under SEQRA is therefore issued for this project.

Motion to declare lead agency by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine.

Row call vote:	Yes	No
Supervisor Brent Sweet	X	
Councilman John Stine	X	
Councilman Mike Fayette	X	
Councilman Sandy Caputo	X	
Councilman Ron Thomson		X Absent

Ayes 4 Nays 0 1 Absent (Thomson) Motion Passed.

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Motion to have a public information meeting on the Streetscape grant/ project on September 23, 2020 @ 4:45pm. Motion made by Councilman Mike Fayette seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 1 absent (Thomson). Motion Passed.

Goose Bay Ramp: (REDI Project Update) Rob Campamy let the board know that he's getting ready to submit the 60% design drawing, discussed wetlands, parking lot & walkway changes and pre-permitting.

Lawton Trailer: Open Bids for Clean-up: Legal Process is finished.

Charles Fram \$4400.00

Newberry Construction \$2800.00

JP Excavation (Redwood) \$2500.00

Motion to hire JP Excavation for \$2500.00 for the Lawton Clean-up. Motion made by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson). Motion Passed.

Streetscape Update: Thomson park in village will be included in the project.

Milfoil Update: Treatments are done on Mud Lake and Butterfield Lake.

Mud Lake Trail: A property owner asked the boards permission to cut down brush on the towns property for the owner to use the towns property to reach his lake property. Motion to allow this property owner access to the towns property and allow brush to be cut down on the trail. Insurance needs to be notified. Motion made by Councilman John Stine and seconded by Councilman Sandy Caputo. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Property Sale to Randall's(Route 12 Property): Metes and bounds survey needs to be prepared to close the property sale.

Out of district Redwood Sewer user request for hook-up: The board will discuss further before making a decision.

Highway small-Propane Tanks: Two small propane tanks have been at the highway barn not being used. Both are full of Propane. The board decided to use up the propane in the tanks before sending the tanks back to the company.

Budget Transfers:

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TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA August 26, 2020
 SUMMARY OF BUDGET TRANSFERS #6
 FYE 12/31/2020

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General A	ACCOUNT	DR	CR
	A72304.1.4 - Marinas & Docks - CE	\$ 500.00 ✓	
	A85104.1.4 - Community Service - CE		\$ 500.00 ✓
	For increased cost due to parking at Goose Bay (Newspaper ads & supplies for signs)		
General B	B40104.2.4 - Public Health - CE	\$ 50.00 ✓	
	B69894.2.4 - Comm Enh-Playgrounds		\$ 50.00 ✓
	For increased costs due to speed signs installations.		

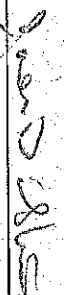

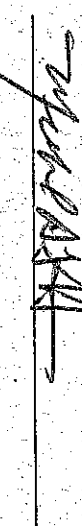
Highway DA
DA97856.3.6 - Tractor/Mower Lease \$ 27,000.00 ✓
DA97856.3.6 - Prin Pmt/Tractor \$ 27,000.00 ✓
To move budgeted amt to proper line. (Same acct #, different name)

Highway DB
DB90708.4.8 - Uniforms \$ 600.00 ✓
DB90108.4.8 - NYS Retirement \$ 600.00 ✓
For increase in uniform expenses due to masks purchased for Covid-19.

Edgewood Water
EW83404.17.4 - Trans & Dist - CE \$ 10.00 ✓
EW83104.17.4 - Admin - CE \$ 10.00 ✓
To reconcile increased spending within the same fund.

Rt 12 Water
SW83402.22.2 - Rt 12 Water Equip \$ 10.00 ✓
SW83404.22.4 - Trans & Dist - CE \$ 10.00 ✓
To reconcile increased spending within the same fund.

Approved by:  Date: 8/26/2020

Motion made by Councilman Mike Fayette seconded by Councilman John Stine to approve the Budget Transfers. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson). Motion Passed.

Update on all Water districts committee: Representatives will be: Judy Cornick, BJ Moser, Irene Tibbles and Jim Durand.

The Town now has two current CD's: April 18, 2019 opened \$300,000 CD & \$200,000 CD = interest on both totaled \$12,344.02. Town approved another \$300,000 Cd but to date the Cd has not been established due to low interest rates and Covid 19.

Wages & Benefits for previous town supervisors: Town Supervisor paid : 2000(\$14,975) , 2004 (\$49,218), 2014 (\$60,132.00) , does not include mileage cell phone expense and health insurance starting in 2018. 2018 (12,000), 2019 (\$23,500) & 2020 (\$42,317)

Bed Tax Summary: Town received in bed tax money this year \$2950.00. 68% decrease in revenue.

Window Shades for meeting room: Motion by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine to approve window shades for the meeting room up to \$50.00 per window shade. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Teamsters Negotiations: Date & Time needs to be scheduled

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Cell Phone (Water Operator): Jamie Papin, Water Operator wants to disconnect his town phone but keep the telephone number for his personal number so that he can continue to have that number for work. There will be no charge to the town. Board approved his request.

Justice to apply for JCAP grant up to \$30,000: Motion made by Councilman John Stine seconded by Councilman Sandy Caputo to apply for the JCAP grant. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson). Motion Passed.

Adoption LGS-1 retention and disposition of records: Motion made by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine to adopt the Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1) 2020. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Donate \$500 worth of paint to Alexandria Bay Fire Department: Motion made by Councilman John Stine seconded by Councilman Mike Fayette to donate \$500 dollars towards paint to the Alex Bay Fire Department. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Schedule Budget Workshop for 2021 budget: Motion made by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine to schedule the workshop on September 9, 2020 @ 2:00pm. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

LED lightening program for the town barn: Motion made by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine to apply for the LED lightning program for the town barn. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Motion made by Councilman Sandy Caputo seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Thomson) Motion Passed.

Board Meeting adjourned