

Town of Alexandria Board Meeting
August 18, 2021 @ 6:00PM

Present: Supervisor Brent Sweet, Councilman John Stine, Councilman Mike Fayette, Councilman Ron Thomson, Attorney Bob Slye and Town Clerk Jessy Hudon.

Absent: Councilman Sandy Caputo

Pledge of allegiance

Approval of the bills: Motion made by Councilman Mike Fayette to approve the bills seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Caputo) Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson to approve the July 9 & 21 and August 3, 2021 board minutes seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Caputo) Motion Passed.

Privilege of the floor - N/A

Scheduling a public hearing in connection with proposed Local Law No. of 2021, pursuant to Cannabis Law Section 131.

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2021, the Town Board of the Town of Alexandria introduced and seconded a proposed Local Law pursuant to Cannabis Law Section 131, opting out of licensing and establishing retail cannabis dispensaries and/or on-site cannabis consumption establishments within the Town of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required to be held in connection with the Town Board's consideration of the Local Law; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was scheduled by motion of the Town Board at its regular meeting on July 21, 2021, scheduling that public hearing for August 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, an illness in the Town Clerk's Office prevented publication of notice of that public hearing, requiring it to be rescheduled;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Alexandria that the Town Board shall hold a public hearing in connection with its consideration of the proposed Local Law which would opt out of licensing and establishing retail cannabis dispensaries and/or on-site cannabis consumption establishments within the Town of Alexandria, such public hearing to be held on September 15, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. at the Town Offices located at 46372 Country Route 1, Alexandria Bay, New York 13607; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall publish notice of the above-scheduled public hearings as required by law.

Motion by:

Supervisor Brent Sweet
Name

Seconded by:

Councilman John Stine
Name

Roll Call Vote:	Ayes	Nays
Supervisor Brent Sweet	X	
Councilman Ron Thomson	X	
Councilman John Stine	X	
Councilman Mike Fayette	X	
Councilman Sandy Caputo		Absent

Motion Passed.

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Jeff Kingsley gave the board a Petition with 142 signatures to re-zone Goose Bay Fire protection. Mr. Kingsley talked about a fire that started at a neighbor's house near his home in Goose Bay and he stated that if it wasn't for the Alex Bay Fire Department acting quickly the surrounding houses would have all caught fire. Kingsley discussed with the board why he feels re-zoning the fire protection area would be beneficial for the Goose Bay residents.

Resident of Goose Bay (name not given) He also touched on the importance of the re-zoning and that he feels that if Alex Bay Fire Department hadn't arrived quickly all the cottages would have burned down.

George Martin, Chief of Redwood Fire District welcomed the opportunity to talk with Mr. Kingsley, Alex Bay Fire Department and the Town Board to discuss the re-zoning petition. Supervisor Brent Sweet asked if the Village Fire Department, Village Trustee Brad Millett, George Martin, Jeff Kingsley and resident would like to discuss the matter in another room. All parties agreed and left the board meeting to discuss the matter.

Mud Lake Trail Status: Both Judy Cornick and Rob Campany are still working on the Mud Lake Grant. The scope has been New information discussed about a piece of land for sale that potentially would be a benefit to the Town to purchase to extend the Mud Lake Trail. Judy Cornick discussed Parks & Recreation separate grant that could provide funds to purchase the land.

Town Engineer Report – given
Sewer Report – given
Water & DPW Report – given
Zoning Report: given
Youth Program Report: given
Highway Report - given

Water & Sewer Committee: Held every Monday @ 8am. The committee is making progress.

Streetscape Resolution: Close to putting the project out to bid. Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson to allow the project to go out to bid seconded by Councilman Mike Fayette. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1 (Caputo) Motion Passed.

Grants & Relief Stimulus Monies:

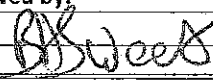
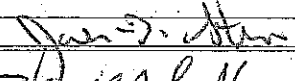
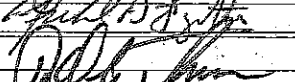
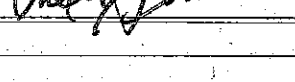
- 1) \$292,000 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus recovery funds: 50 % of the money has been received. The other half will be given in 2022.
- 2) \$430,000 – Federal Stimulus Monies: An Update is needed
- 3) \$125,000- Redwood Sewer, Sam, State & Municipal Facilities Grant : Follow up is needed

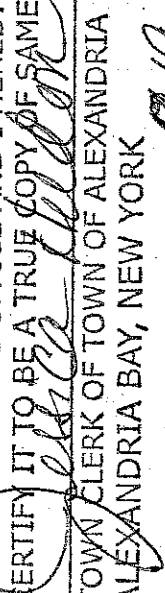
Financial Statements: Accountant, Mike Lasson updated the financials for the month for the boards review. Financial highlights can be found on the towns website.

Noise Complaint: Supervisor Brent Sweet read a letter he received, concerning loud music coming from a boat house in Otter Creek. Otter Creek Inn has had several guests complain of the loud music and stated they have contacted the police and unfortunately there is nothing they can do other than making the owners aware of the noise complaint. Supervisor Sweet let the board know that besides this letter, he has received two phone calls regarding the same boat house. Discussion with the zoning officer and board ultimately decided to have Norris Handschuh, Zoning Officer go over to the boat house and talk with the owners, and if feels that he needs a State Trooper/ Sherriff escort then he can do that as well.

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Budget Transfers:

TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA		8/18/2021	
SUMMARY OF BUDGET TRANSFERS #8			
FYE 12/31/2021			
	ACCOUNT	DR	CR
Gen A	A71401.1.1.14 Recreation - FT - PS	\$ 1,400.00	
	A71401.1.1 Recreation - PT - PS		\$ 1,400.00
	To cover PS within its own fund.		
Gen B	B90508.2.8 Unemployment Ins.	\$ 200.00	
	B903082.8 E'ee Benefits - SS		\$ 200.00
	To cover expenses within its own fund.		
Hwy DA	DA97856.3.6 Cat Loader Principal	\$ 109.25	
	DA97857.3.7 Cat Loader Interest		\$ 109.25
	To cover a principal adjustment within its own fund.		
Hwy DB	DB51121.4.1.202 Perm Imp - PS	\$ 15,000.00	
	DB51101.4.1 Road Maintenance - PS		\$ 15,000.00
	To reallocated PS within its own fund.		
Approved by:			
			
			
			
			
Date:	8/18/2021		

THIS CERTIFICATE COMPARES WITH THE RECORDS IN THIS OFFICE AND I HEREBY CERTIFY IT TO BE A TRUE COPY OF SAME.

 TOWN CLERK OF TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA
 ALEXANDRIA BAY, NEW YORK
 8/19/21

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

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Transfer Site: The board discussed hours and days of operation plus hiring a laborer for the transfer site. Board will discuss further and report back next meeting.

Alex Bay Village new water rates: Board discussed the village increases. The board is going to contact the Village of Alex Bay and see if they could set up a meeting to discuss further.

Fire Protection Agreement: Attorney is in the process of reviewing the agreements and updating.

Eco Harvester/ Milfoil: Mudd Lake has been completed. The harvester is now in Goose Bay. Supervisor Brent stated that he has received phone calls from merchants on using the harvester in Swan Bay, and in Village of Alex bay. The grant money is only for Mudd Lake and Goose Bay.

Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson to allow Steve Staffer to cut the weeds in the Village of Alex Bay docks seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1(Caputo). Motion Passed.

Motion to allow the Supervisor to sign the Grant of Easement for Parks and Recreation Office. Motion made by Councilman Ron Thomson seconded Councilman Mike Fayette. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1(Caputo) Motion Passed.

Ice Rental Rates & Opening date for Arena: Tabled

Mis-billing(since 2016) Joint sewer district should have paid the bill. Amount owed to the Town of Alexandria is \$2600.00

Councilman Ron Thomson talked about the Air bnb & BRBO's that are popping up all over. He had suggested to contact Associations of Towns to ask them if there are regulations that owners and towns need to follow.

Scheduling budget Workshop: Set budget workshops every Friday from 8am -11am starting the 27th and goes for 3 weeks.

Motion to go into Executive Session for Contract Negotiations and Employment History of a particular person. Motion made by Councilman Mike Fayette seconded by Councilman John Stine. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Absent 1(Caputo) Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned