

Town of Alexandria
Regular Board Meeting
April 19, 2023
6:00 pm
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Call the town board meeting to order at 6:00 by Supervisor Sweet.

Roll Call:

Councilman Fayette -- Present

Councilman Kring – Absent did call in and was available for comment.

Councilman Thomas – Present

Councilman Thomson -- Present

Supervisor Sweet -- Present

Pledge of Allegiance

Abstract # 4-2023 March 16, 2023, through April 19, 2023, for \$483,405.20 was presented to the board. After discussion on several bills Motion by Councilman Thomson to pay all bills. Seconded by Councilman Thomas. Motion carried by all present.

Motion to accept Minutes of March 15, 2023, by Councilman Thomas Seconded by Councilman Fayette all present in favor.

Public Hearing on Local Law # 2 Goose Bay Parking & Dockage. Law Read by Supervisor Sweet.

Local Law No. 2 of the year 2023

Section 1. **Application.** The provisions of this article shall apply to an area known as the Goose Bay Parking Lot Parcel No. 3.12-1-19.3 and the Goose Bay Ramp/Dock Parcel No. 3.12-1-2 located at 48301 Goose Bay Road.

Section 2. **Parking Prohibition.** No person shall park or leave standing on any portion of the Goose Bay Parking area any type of vehicle or trailer for more than four consecutive days in any 30-day period. Vehicles, trailers etc. will be inventoried regularly for enforcement purposes.

Section 3. **Prohibited Vehicles.** No person shall park or leave standing on any portion of the Goose Bay Parking Area any bus, tractor- trailer, combination, section of a tractor- trailer combination, recreational vehicle, camping trailer, mobile home, commercial trailer, work trailer or utility trailer. No vehicle or trailer will be allowed in the Goose Bay parking lot without current license plates. In addition to the Penalties in Section 6 of this law, violations of this Section 3 in excess of 48 hours will immediately subject the offending vehicle/trailer to impounding, incapacitating, or immobilization without the permission of the owner or agent of the vehicle by the use of any device, wheel, clamp, object, barrel, car, boot, mechanism or method, either attached to the vehicle or not, that prohibits the vehicle from being moved from the place where it is immobilized. The owner/operator of the vehicle shall be assessed a fee of \$250 for the removal of any installed immobilization device in addition to any fines levied.

Section 4. **Boat Ramp Obstruction.** No person shall park or leave standing a vehicle/trailer of any kind on the Goose Bay Parking Area that in any way interferes with or impedes access to the boat ramp.

Section 5. **Boat Dockage.** Overnight dockage at the Goose Bay Parking Area Docks is prohibited. Boat dockage is strictly limited to daylight usage (Sunrise to sunset) only.

Section 6. **Penalties.** Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined no less than \$20 per day and no more than \$250. Furthermore, any violation of this ordinance continuing in excess of 48 hours will subject the offending vehicle to

impounding, incapacitating, or immobilization without the permission of the owner or agent of the vehicle by the use of any device, wheel, clamp, object, barrel, car, boot, mechanism, or method, either attached to the vehicle or not, that prohibits the vehicle from being moved from the place where it is immobilized. The owner / operator of the vehicle shall be assessed a fee of \$250 for the removal of any installed immobilization device or impounding of the vehicle/trailer in addition to any fines levied.

Section 7. Enforcement. This local law shall be enforced by any Town of Alexandria designee in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 8. Effective Date. This local law shall become effective upon the date that it is filed in the Office of the New York State Secretary of State.

Motion by Councilman Fayette to open public hearing Seconded by Councilman Thomas.

Mayor Jarvis commented that the minimum fine should start at \$50. Council members discussed some changes to some wording for easier understanding.

Motion by Councilman Thomas to close public Hearing, seconded by Councilman Fayette and carried with all in favor.

Motion by Supervisor Sweet to adopt Local Law # 2 of Year 2023.

Roll Call Vote:	Supervisor Sweet	YES
	Councilman Fayette	YES
	Councilman Thomas	YES
	Councilman Thomson	YES

Motion carried with all in favor.

Bids for Lawn Care Opened: Clements Lawn Care was the only bid provided for \$19,000 for 2023 and \$19,500 for 2024. They provided all necessary documentation. Motion by Councilman Thomson to accept Clements Lawn Care bid for Season 2023 & 2024 seconded by Councilman Thomas. Carried all in favor.

No Bids received for Cub Cadet Zero Turn Mower.

Privilege of the Floor:

Mayor Jarvis gave an update on Ready Project and Street Scape Project. The Otter Street/ Crossman boat ramp is open. A little blacktop around the edge of water and the permanent railing is left to do. The Hollard Street ramp knob has been fixed and the ramp into the water has been extended. The hole in the ramp has not been fixed and the blacktop needs to be completed. The village needs to get in there to clean out the logs and debris that has floated in. Ready tomorrow morning concrete will be poured on the deck for the wharf. It is approximately 20' by 200'. This project is coming together and looks great with the new moorings and lights. Upper James Street dock has the steel frame in place. Next week the aluminum decking is supposed to be delivered from Montreal. The top is going to be nonskid composite decking and the staving's are going to be pressure treated because composite decking cannot take being in the water. There are 6 new pole lamps that will go along the riverwalk. There will be floaters from the gazebo to the existing floating finger docks. Extra 200' of floating where it was fixed before. Hoping everything will be completed by Memorial Day.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Engineer Rob Campany reported Route 12 Sewer # 2 needs to have final district formation documents completed to move on with the project. Attorney Silver needs to draft the Resolution for Final District Formation.

Plans and Specifications documents are done for the Redwood Water Tower repairs. This is ready to be advertised and go to bid.

Plans and Specification documents for the Rt 26 water line repair / replacement of approximately 1000 feet is ready to go to bid.

Goose Bay Boat Launch and Parking Project is getting close to being complete.

Motion by Councilman Thomson to put both projects out for bid with the bids being due May 11, 2023, by 2:00 pm. Seconded by Councilman Thomas. Motion carried with all in favor.

Highway Department no report.

Town Clerks Report Given.

12 Death Certificates copies, 11 Birth Certificate copies, 17 dog licenses – reminder dogs over 4 months old are supposed to be licensed. 1 Marriage License and some misc. stuff had a total of \$459.57 turned over to the Supervisor.

Clerk Caputo attended the Tug Hill Conference two weeks ago and will be at the NYS Town Clerks Association Conference next week Sunday through Wednesday. Donna will be in the office during my absence.

We received notice from New York Department of State that Local Law 1, Junk Storage Law was received and filed on February 24, 2023

10 Cemetery plots have been sold. Markers need to be placed. Point Vivian old part needs some TLC. There are lots of limbs down and old dead trees. This would be a great community project if we had any boy scouts, girl scouts, or others interested. Donna and I both would volunteer if anyone would like to head this up.

Collecting 3rd installments on Town / County taxes until May 31 and then everything will be turned over to the county.

Zoning Report for March. 16 permits were issued, 2 subdivisions, 1 variance granted, 1 site plan, 2 violation letters sent, 1 FOIL completed. Took in \$4,250. Norris requested that annual training for the planning and zoning board members that could not attend the Tug Hill Training be coordinated because these people still need the training. Mayor Jarvis was in attendance and stated he is trying to do this for the village planning and zoning boards and the town could join them. He will let them know when it is going to happen.

Water & Sewer Report: 2 water pumps were replaced. There was another water line break on Route 26 discovered on Saturday of Easter weekend. Jamie called the normal companies that have repaired the lines in the past and no one was available on Easter weekend. So, Jamie Papin and Jay Gascon worked with Pete Papin Easter morning to repair the line. The urgency was the water had to be turned off before and after the break which meant the customers on the Redwood side were receiving water from the water tower and if turned off for too long, they would run out of water. A big thank you to Pete, Jamie and Jay.

DPW Report: Lots of spring cleanup going on and Turf rental has been very good. Lacrosse teams play 2 nights a week.

Youth report: There are 6 youth softball, baseball, and t-balls teams this year. They have gotten an early start using the turf at the arena. There have also been some soccer players using the turf.

OLD BUSINESS:

Watertown Savings Bank is going to allow us to pull 2 CD's that are not up for renewal until next year out early with no penalty and renew at the new rate of 3.5% and with the one CD this is up for renewal right now.

Motion by Councilman Thomas to pull the 2 CD that are not up for renewal until next year now and put into the 3.5 % along with the one that is up for renewal. Seconded by Councilman Thomson. Carried all in favor.

Status of new fire system at Highway barn. No Report Discussion about putting the fire system in an outside barn where a lot of valuable equipment is stored. Agreed it needs to be done but it is not on the previous bid. We will need a bid.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilman Thomson to declare barrels, pallets, and bike rack at transfer site as surplus. Seconded by Councilman Fayette. Motion carried all in favor.

There was only one bid for the bicycle rack from Todd Sanford for \$45.

Motion by Councilman Thomson to accept Todd Sanford's bid for \$45. Seconded by Councilman Thomas. Carried all in favor.

No bids were received for the barrels or pallets. The board discussed and agreed they would sell them for \$1 if anyone wants them. Resolution to support "Alex Bay Rising" project was proposed until the next meeting.

Three "Welcome to Redwood" signs approved in 2022 are in the process of being created and erected. The stands are in place on Route 192, Route 37 North and Route 37 South. It is planned they will be finished this weekend.

Thank you to Chris McCormick and the highway crew for the work at the Mud Lake Trail to come into compliance with DEC requirements. Rob Campany stated we are currently waiting for CORE LOGS to come in and some seedlings to finish the project.

Firefighter property tax exemption discussed by the board, and all are in favor of moving forward. Need Attorney Silver to draw up resolution.

Request by Dean Smith to paint pickle ball lines on the Redwood playground blacktop. Brief discussion followed by Motion from Councilman Thomson to allow Dean to paint ball lines to be played on the blacktop at the playground. Seconded by Councilman Thomas. Motion Carried all in favor.

Budget transfer: see attached sheet. Motion by Councilman Thomas to accept all budget transfers except the Redwood Water Buyout. Seconded by Councilman Fayette. Carried all in favor.

March 2023 Operating statement & Balance Sheet presented to Board and there will be a copy on the town's website by end of the week.

Motion to adjourn into executive session at 7:25 pm for litigation and 3 water accounts discussions was made by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Fayette and carried all in favor.

Motion to come out of executive session at 7:58 by Councilman Thomson and seconded by Councilman Thomas. Carried all in favor.

Motion made by Councilman Thomas to forgive late fee on 3 water / sewer accounts. Acct numbers 66, 133 and 2031. Seconded by Councilman Thomson. Motion Passed 3 in favor of 1 against.

The meeting was adjourned to April 26. 2023 at 4pm.