September 14, 2023 Town of Afton Chenango County

Present at our regular board meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Jamie Baciuska, Chris Warren, Robert Tallmadge, and Calvin Tallmadge; Highway Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; DCO Amy Cross; Assessor Caitlyn Brown. Absent: Sanitation Officer Bailey DeBetta.

Visitors:

Honorable Don Ouimet, Melanie Muller, Barbara Weeden, Lisa Jaindl, Tyler Lawrence, McKenzie Hoyt, and representatives from Dimension Renewable Energy

Bills and claims were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Fund Abstract no 9, claims no 125-137, totaling \$4,904.71 Highway Fund Abstract no 9, claims no 87-100, totaling \$14,832.49

Regular meeting was called to order at 7 pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept the meeting minutes of August 10, 2023, made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to pay bills and claims, made by Chris Warren seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Hayley Effler of Dimension Renewable Energy spoke about the application of a new solar farm project to be placed on the property located at 265 State Hwy 41 Afton NY, and their plan and responsibilities. Dimension is working on the letters from the property owners surrounding this property.

See attached Resolution 2, 9-23

### Communication:

- 1/ NYSEG rate increase information, Gov. Hochul response.
- 2/ Town and County unpaid tax returns, six year comparison report
- 3/ Report of Existing State Mandates, Tax Levy/Cost of Mandated programs.

# Committee Reports:

- 1/ Assessor, Caitlyn, had no report
- 2/ Financial, reports distributed and filed.
- 3/ Sanitation, Bailey was absent
- 4/ Highway, Kirk gave an update on the process of the salt shed. Gave the figures for the purchase of the Loader, price \$204,000, trade in of \$176,000(more than the original purchase price) with a remaining balance of \$28,000. Motion was made for the approval of the loader, Which is to be purchased next year, made by Jamie Baciuska seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.
- 5/ DCO, Amy had information that Chenango County SPCA was going through changes. She is also having the pre-rabies shots.
- 6/ Building, will be reaching out for an update on the SAM Grant process.
- 7/ Historian, nothing.

## Old Business:

- 1/ Afton Lake speed limit reduction request was denied by the State DOT.
- 2/ NY Teamsters Memorandum of Understanding is still with the Town's Attorney
- 3/ Review the applicants for the Town/Village Historian position.

#### New Business:

- 1/ Received the County snow and ice removal contract for County Roads 26, 30 & 39 Of \$22.50 per lane mile. Town Board will be asking for a counteroffer of \$23.00 per lane mile.
- 2/ Highway Expense, motion to move \$2,000.00 from DA5130.4 to DA5140.4 Motion made by Jamies Baciuska seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.
- 3/ NY Teamsters agreement will be maturing in 2025, will want to have meeting before then.

# Recognition of Visitors:

John gave an update to the visitors, on the complaint on the properties located on St Johns Rd and Hilltop Drive.

Motion to go to Executive Session at 8:45 pm, to review the two applicants for the Town/Village Historian. Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried. Motion to return from Executive Session at 9:03 pm, made by Robert Tallmadge seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to adjourn at 9:04 pm, made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sandra D Reiling Clerk of the Board

# Town of Afton Town Board Resolution No 2,9-23

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Afton, at the regular meeting thereof held on 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023, did adopt a resolution for the proposed project with Afton CSG LLC Solar Project.

WHEREAS, the Project will be located at 265 State Hwy 41 in the Town of Afton, Chenango County, New York with the tax map parcel no294.-1-4.1("Schuldt Solar Site")

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton, will be the lead agency.

WHEREAS, Afton CSG LLC Solar Project will complete the permit process. Meet with the Town of Afton Planning Board and the Chenango County Planning Board with the completed 239 Review Submission Form.

Therefore, after the Planning Board's review, there will be public meeting forth coming.

Motion made for this Resolution by Chris Warren, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried

PASSED AND ADOPTED this  $14^{\rm th}$  day of September 2023 by the Town of Afton Town Board

This foregoing Resolution filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Afton, Chenango County, New York, on September 14, 2023.

Sandra D Reiling, Town Clerk