

**Town of Elba
Regular Meeting
May 14, 2020**

Supervisor Hynes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Those in attendance via Zoom included:

Supervisor Hynes
Councilman Augello
Councilman Chamberlain
Councilman Coughlin
Councilwoman Marshall

Others Present:

Town Clerk Werth
Highway Superintendent Yungfleisch

Minutes of April 9, 2020 Town Board Meeting

MOTION Councilwoman Marshall, second by Supervisor Hynes to approve the minutes as written.

Ayes: Augello, Chamberlain, Coughlin, Hynes, Marshall

MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote (5-0)

RESOLUTION NO. 22-2020

Councilman Chamberlain offered the following:

Amend Supervisor Disbursement for Capital Account

To Amend the February 13, 2020 Disbursements – Water #1 Fund (Capital Account) Voucher No. 1 in the amount of \$137.06, disbursement was intended for Water #2 Fund.

The Final amount paid should read \$81,482.10.

Second by: Councilman Coughlin

Ayes: Augello, Chamberlain, Coughlin, Hynes, Marshall

APPROVED by unanimous vote (5-0)

RESOLUTION NO. 23-2020

Councilman Chamberlain offered the following:

Amend Supervisor Disbursement for Rural Development Account

To Amend the February 13, 2020 Disbursements – Water #2 Fund (Rural Development Account) to include a voucher for \$137.06 payable to the Town of Batavia, which was originally charged to WD #1 in error.

The Final amount paid should read \$135,885.49.

Second by: Councilman Augello

Ayes: Augello, Chamberlain, Coughlin, Hynes, Marshall

APPROVED by unanimous vote (5-0)

Abstract 5-2020

MOTION, Councilman Coughlin second by Councilman Augello to approve the following:

General Fund	95-120	\$13,751.79
Highway	60-72	\$15,169.47
Water District 2	20-25	\$1,170,538.84
	Total	\$1,199,460.10

Ayes: Augello, Chamberlain, Coughlin, Hynes, Marshall

MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote (5-0)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GAM

Councilwoman Marshall forwarded everyone the minutes and resolution from the special GAM meeting. The resolution and meeting came to light because the County wants to rescind the Sales Tax Agreement that had been in place. There have also been conversations that people are concerned that the Towns and Villages are not going to get anymore sales tax revenue for the rest of this year. The Town of Bergen proposed a resolution to send to the County for their meeting this week to reconsider and not to rescind, as it is important to all the Towns and Villages and that everyone should share. The City would be receiving some of this in what they proposed. This came about due to the lack of communication and not knowing how this will go. We discussed this in our March meeting that revenue would be down for a number of other reasons. All the Towns and two Legislators voted to pass the resolution; Town of Oakfield did not support it. The concern to the County was that the Towns and Villages need a share of the sales tax revenue. Supervisor Hynes added that everyone has received two payments so far this year for sales tax revenue. She would like to believe that they will share some of it but there are so many unknowns right now. Councilwoman Marshall said everyone was frustrated with the message that Towns and Villages were not going to get anything. She stated that Towns and Villages rely on this revenue for 40-60% of their budgets and they want the message to be sent to the Legislators that this money is needed. There is a wide gap in the budget. Discussion ensued. Councilwoman Marshall would like the Board to send a letter stating we need these funds to operate in our Towns because all Towns and Villages should be considered regardless of their size.

We are going to put some new guidelines in place next week to continue keeping the Town office and highway garage open. We will use the window as a walk up counter for the Town Clerk. The County’s State of Emergency will be lifted tomorrow. Supervisor Hynes stated we will still need to follow the guidelines CDC is giving us. Social distancing may carry out through for the summer, it is all up in the air.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway

Mr. Yungfleisch shared the following:

- The County Highway Superintendents met and are requesting to sign a one year contract for snow and ice with the County, not a five year as requested. The new agreement was presented to Mr. Hens and he agreed to it for one year. Salt prices are staying the same for next year. He will need to review and sign the agreement if he agrees.
- Auctions International came out and took pictures of several items in the highway building and at

the bank to add to their website.

- The Town will need an MEO soon as one will be having knee surgery in June. This will need to be figured out soon.
- Planning to spend CHIPS money on what needs to be done within the Town.

Supervisor

Supervisor Hynes reported the following:

- Jay Grasso, G&G Municipal Consulting would like to speak to the Board regarding ADA compliant grants that are available for the new location. He will potentially attend the June meeting.
- Dennis Rohan, Village Maintenance installed the new door on the South side of the new location.
- The Contractors have all continued to work on WD2. Welders plan to be done at the water town in mid June.
- Sergi still needs to complete restoration on Phase 3. Mr. Yungfleisch is creating a check list.
- Sergi will have Phase3/6 completed by the end of June.
- Working with Jason Foote, CPL on Phase 7. Our goal is to include all we can with the grant money.
- Joanne Soules, Elba Betterment Committee would like to clean the stones at the cemetery by the Fire Department. They are looking into a product that would help to clean them. After discussion it was decided Councilwoman Marshall would make contact with someone in Orleans County to see what product the Boy Scouts used to do a cemetery there. Mr. Yungfleisch offered to call the Highway Superintendent in that Town too. We will then pass the information on to the Elba Betterment Committee.
- We are working on a plan to continue serving the public at the office and highway building. A window will be used in the Town Clerk's office, we will continue to keep the doors locked though to follow all the CDC guidelines. There will be signs posted on the highway building.

Councilpersons

Councilwoman Marshall – Stated she took a look at the Budget/financials and of the Town. If we do lose a third of our budget as they say than how will we make it up. She stated we already have a very lean budget and she hopes a work session/discussion would help in brainstorming some ideas. Supervisor Hynes asked everyone to think it over for the next month and send her an email with your ideas. She is hoping we will be able to come together for a face to face in June. Mr. Yungfleisch offered the highway building and Mr. Augello offered room at the school too.

Councilman Chamberlain – He has his water hooked up and the incoming is 80 pounds of pressure, after the PRV it is 55 pounds. He is happy with the good water.

Councilman Augello – The school is waiting to hear about the state aid that should be coming in this week. There are rumors that the federal government may help the schools and municipalities.

Councilman Coughlin – Loves his water too.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was offered from Councilman Chamberlain second by Councilman Coughlin to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Ayes: Augello, Chamberlain, Coughlin, Hynes, Marshall

MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote (5-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Trisha Werth
Town Clerk