

A Town Board Meeting of the Town of Owasco was held on August 13, 2020 at 4:00 PM in the Owasco Town Hall with the following members present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Edward Wagner
Councilperson Fred Cornelius
Councilperson Gucciardi
Councilperson, Tim Kerstetter
Councilperson Mike Vitale

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Riccardo Galbato

CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION 20- 107 approval of Town Board Agenda for August 13, 2020

Motion by Councilperson Kerstetter; Second Councilperson Cornelius

Roll call vote:	Councilperson Cornelius <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Gucciardi <u>Yes</u>
	Councilperson Kerstetter <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Vitale <u>Yes</u>
	Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u>	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 20- 108 approval of Town Board Minutes for July 9, 2020 & July 16, 2020.

Motion by Councilperson Cornelius; Second Councilperson Vitale

Roll call vote:	Councilperson Cornelius <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Gucciardi <u>Yes</u>
	Councilperson Kerstetter <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Vitale <u>Yes</u>
	Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u>	

COMMUNICATIONS:

***Letter from Frank Lattimore regarding speeding on Stryker Ave, requesting speed limit reduced to 25.**

*** Request for reimbursement in the amount of \$900.00 from Swift Street Extension Brenda Sanford for a new electrical service that was pulled down when a town tree fell during a storm on July 11, 2020 pulling down her electrical service from her home requiring her to hire Elite Electrical.**

Supervisor Wagner will call the homeowner and inquire if her homeowners paid any of the cost.

*** Received a thank you card from Patricia Personias complementing the town on the well maintained grounds around the park, Patricia plays pickle ball 6-7 times a week and is enjoying our courts.**

***Donation from Nucor Auburn NY, Nucor Vulcraft Chemung NY of 5 Shields representing the 5 branches of the military, for the Owasco Veterans Memorial Park.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Frank Lattimore addressed the board regarding the speeding on Stryker Ave issue, the town will install there temporary speed signs in hopes this will resolve the issue. Councilmen Cornelius suggested they call the Sheriff's office to be added to the traffic issue list.

Frank DeOrio addressed to complaints of sewer odor in the Burtis Point neighborhood. The town has placed a sensor probe into the sewer manhole that will alert the town via text if an odor is present. Mr. DeOrio also suggested the use of a different carbon.

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation by Mike with Community Power Group as they are proposing to build a Solar Farm on 45 acres of land located at 113 Melrose Rd, Auburn NY.

**The proposed solar farm should reduce the resident's energy bill.
The life span of the farm is 25 years**

The farm will boarder the Town of Sennett

The project would have to be below the fall zone of the cell tower that is also on the property.

The town has not received a formal application, the first step would be an application to the town code officer.

OLD BUSINESS:

Walt Aikmen update on the wetland restoration project.

The NYS DEC made a visit to the site and approved the excavation site work. Doug Keirst from Soil and Water also visited and suggested the ditches be lined with stone in a V-shape channel.

The guard rail will be installed soon per the DEC specs.

The restoration still is in need of the spray plan for the plantings, this can only be applied by a specialist that holds a NYS registered permit.

Councilmen Kerstetter will update the board on the Cayuga County Mitigation Update.

Councilmen Kerstetter suggested the town withdraw from the CC Mitigation Meetings as it is very extensive and time consuming and geared toward larger municipalities.

The board agreed and Councilmen Kerstetter will call and withdraw the town.

RESOLUTION 20-109 to approve the Town of Owasco's Safety Plans as it pertains to the 2020 Covid 19 Pandemic, included are individual plans as it relates to the following offices and or departments.

Town Hall, Court, Highway & Sewer Departments, Water Department, & recommendations for the Town Playground/Shelter.

WHEREAS; The Town Board authorized committee to create a template of policy and procedures for The Town of Owasco.

WHEREAS; The town board members was emailed on July 24, 2020 the draft created by the committee, no comments were received prior to this meeting.

See attachments for policy.

Motion by Councilperson Kerstetter; Second Councilperson Vitale

Roll call vote:	Councilperson Cornelius	<u>NO</u>	Councilperson Gucciardi	<u>Yes</u>
	Councilperson Kerstetter	<u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Vitale	<u>Yes</u>
	Supervisor Wagner	<u>Yes</u>		

RESOLUTION 20-110 to approve budgeted transfers to the reserve accounts.

2020 Budgeted Transfers FROM / TO Reserve Accounts

Transfer(s) FROM Reserve Account(s)			
Fund/District	Account	Amount	Description
Sewer District 1	SS1-231.001	\$ 123,192.00	For Auburn Sewer Meter Upgrade

Transfer(s) TO Reserve Account(s)			
Fund/District	Account	Amount	Description
General Fund	A233	\$ 3,000.00	For New Server (2023-2024 Projected Purchase Date)
Sewer District 2	SS2-231	\$ 13,000.00	Replacement Grinder Pump Reserve Account
Sewer District 3	SS3-231	\$ 24,900.00	Replacement Grinder Pump Reserve Account
Water District	SW232.002	\$ 14,775.00	Microcystins Carbon Exchange Reserve

Motion by Councilperson Cornelius; Second Councilperson Vitale

**Roll call vote: Councilperson Cornelius Yes Councilperson Gucciardi Yes
Councilperson Kerstetter Yes Councilperson Vitale Yes
Supervisor Wagner Yes**

RESOLUTION 20- 111 AUDIT AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: authorizing the audit and payment of the following claims: General and Highway Funds, Special Districts, (Water and Sewer Districts), Capital Project and Reserve Fund claims, and ratifying the payment of the prepaid claims as authorized by resolution 16-006 adopted January 4, 2016, all in accordance with the attached abstract of claims.

ABSTRACT #08 2020 Vouchers #584-673 in the amount of \$305,143.48

Trust & Agency Voucher # 5058-5064 in the amount of \$21,195.96

for a grand total of \$326,339.44

Motion by Councilperson Gucciardi; Second Councilperson Cornelius

Roll call vote:	Councilperson Cornelius <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Gucciardi <u>Yes</u>
	Councilperson Kerstetter <u>Abstain</u>	Councilperson Vitale <u>Yes</u>
	Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u>	

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 20-112 to adjourn to executive session at 5:27 to discuss labor & personnel issues.

Motion by Councilperson Vitale; Second Councilperson Kerstetter

Roll call vote:	Councilperson Cornelius <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Gucciardi <u>Yes</u>
	Councilperson Kerstetter <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Vitale <u>Yes</u>
	Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u>	

RESOLUTION 20-113 to return from executive session at _PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 20-114 to adjourn the meeting:

Motion by Councilperson Vitale; Second Councilperson Kerstetter

Roll call vote:	Councilperson Cornelius <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Gucciardi <u>Yes</u>
	Councilperson Kerstetter <u>Yes</u>	Councilperson Vitale <u>Yes</u>
	Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u>	

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Flaherty
Town Clerk