

**TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
October 12, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER: 4:00\_**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**RESOLUTION 23-119 approval of Town Board Agenda for October 12, 2023**

**Motion by Councilor Mike Vitale ; Second Councilor Jeremy VeVone**

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| <b>Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius <u>Yes</u></b> | <b>Councilor Gucciardi <u>Yes</u></b> |
| <b>Councilor VeVone <u>Yes</u></b>                    | <b>Councilor Vitale <u>Yes</u></b>    |
| <b>Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u></b>                   |                                       |

**RESOLUTION 23-120 approval of Town Board Minutes for Town Board Meeting on September 14, 2023.**

**Motion by Councilor Anthony Gucciardi ; Second Councilor Mike Vitale**

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| <b>Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius <u>Yes</u></b> | <b>Councilor Gucciardi <u>Yes</u></b> |
| <b>Councilor VeVone <u>Yes</u></b>                    | <b>Councilor Vitale <u>Yes</u></b>    |
| <b>Supervisor Wagner <u>Yes</u></b>                   |                                       |

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

- **Jean Cannizzo and Tom Vasile spoke about their concerns about the quality of the lake and the actions that are being taken to keep the public updated.**
- **James Sierzenga spoke about how he farms responsibility and disagrees with some of the blanket plans that the rules and regulations offer.**

- **Fred Westover is opposed to the plans that the owners of West Lake Art Conservation Inc plan to do with what was once Lake View Country Club.**
- **Joshua Cyyz spoke about his concern about keeping the lake clean to ensure safe drinking water.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** Introduction of West Lake Conservatory's plan for the Lakeview Country Club.

- **Holland Gregg and Ted Kinder made a presentation of their plans for the Art Park Planned Development District. They reviewed the narrative with the board.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 23-121** Approval of the 2023 Amendment to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement for the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium

WHEREAS, the Town of Owasco is a Participant in the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium (the "Consortium"), a municipal cooperative organized under Article 47 of the New York Insurance Law, and

WHEREAS, the municipal participants in the Consortium, including this body, have approved and executed a certain Municipal Cooperation Agreement (the "Agreement"; effective date of October 1, 2010), and

WHEREAS, Article 47 of the New York Insurance Law (the "Insurance Law") and the rules and regulations of the New York State Department of Financial Services set forth certain requirements for governance of municipal cooperatives that offer self-insured municipal cooperative health insurance plans that requires any amendments or restatements thereto, shall be subject to Board review and upon acceptance of any new Participant hereafter, and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Cooperative Agreement requires that amendments to the agreement be presented to each participant for review and adopted by a majority vote by its municipal board, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Owasco is in receipt of the proposed amended Agreement and has determined that it is in the best interest of its constituents who are served by the Consortium to amend the Agreement as set forth in the Amended Municipal Cooperative Agreement, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that upon receipt and review of the amended Agreement, the Town of Owasco approves at a meeting of the governing body held on October 12, 2023 authorizes the Chief Elected Official to sign the 2023 Amendment to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement of the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium as recommended by the Board of Directors.

**Motion by Councilor Fred Cornelius ; Second Councilor Jeremy VeVone**

**Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius Yes      Councilor Gucciardi Yes  
                    Councilor VeVone Yes      Councilor Vitale Yes  
                    Supervisor Wagner Yes**

**RESOLUTION 23-122 to authorize Supervisor Wagner to withdraw from Tompkins Trust \$500,000 to invest in a CD with Lyons National Bank.**

**Motion by Councilor Tony Gucciardi ; Second Councilor Fred Cornelius**

**Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius Yes      Councilor Gucciardi Yes  
                    Councilor VeVone Yes      Councilor Vitale Yes  
                    Supervisor Wagner Yes**

**RESOLUTION 23-123 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 #10 2023 Vouchers # 768-861 in the amount of \$ 238,033.63  
Trust & Agency Voucher # 7095-7104 in the amount of \$ 24587.64  
for a grand total of \$ 262,621.27 .**

**Motion by Councilor Fred Cornelius ; Second Councilor Mike Vitale**

**Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius Yes      Councilor Gucciardi Yes  
                    Councilor VeVone Yes      Councilor Vitale Yes  
                    Supervisor Wagner Yes**

**RESOLUTION 23- 124 to adjourn to executive session at 4:46 PM to discuss personnel issues.**

Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius Yes      Councilor Gucciardi Yes  
                         Councilor VeVone Yes      Councilor Vitale Yes  
                         Supervisor Wagner Yes

**RESOLUTION 23-125 to return from executive session at 5:55 PM.**

Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius Yes      Councilor Gucciardi Yes  
                         Councilor VeVone Yes      Councilor Vitale Yes  
                         Supervisor Wagner Yes

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**RESOLUTION 23-126 to adjourn the meeting:**

**Motion by Councilor Tony Gucciardi ; Second Councilor Fred Cornelius**

Roll call vote: Councilor Cornelius Yes      Councilor Gucciardi Yes  
                         Councilor VeVone Yes      Councilor Vitale Yes  
                         Supervisor Wagner Yes

**Meeting adjourned at 5:56 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Reed  
Deputy Clerk