

**Town of Middlesex
Regular Meeting
June 12, 2022**

Present: David Adam, Supervisor
Austin Liddiard, Councilman
Paul Mitchell, Councilman

Also Present: Todd Conaway, Highway Superintendent
Patrick Grimaldi, Assessor
Dawn Kane, Code Enforcement Officer
Alan Williams, Water Superintendent

Absent: Leon Button, Councilman

Recording Secretary: Lynnette Miller, Clerk

Call to Order/Pledge

Supervisor Adam called the meeting or order at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 1216 State Route 245, Middlesex. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments – none

Approval of Minutes

Supervisor Adam asked the Board for comments or corrections to the minutes from the May 12, 2022 regular meeting. There were none. On a motion by Councilman Mitchell, seconded by Councilman Liddiard, the minutes were approved.

*All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Assessor – Pat Grimaldi

- Grievance Day was held on Thursday, May 26th at the Town Hall. There were four properties reviewed.
- The final assessment rolls will be submitted to the County tomorrow.

Library – no report

Highway/Buildings/Grounds – Todd Conaway

- Ditching and shoulder-work is being done as well as assisting in repairs for the water district.
- There was a discussion regarding roadwork planned for a section of Bare Hill Road, Loomis Road between Bagley Road and Route 245 & Lindsley Road.
- Councilman Mitchell mentioned a pothole on Upper Hill Road. Todd said he would look at it.
- Councilman Liddiard asked about a pot hole that was reported on South Hill Road. Todd explained that it was dug out, filled with crusher run and that it's being allowed to settle, then blacktop will be applied.
- After a short discussion, it was determined that Town Clean-Up Days will be held Saturday, August 13th from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and August 14th from 8:00 a.m. – noon. Todd will check with the YC Sheriff's office for help from the Sweeps Program.

- Councilman Liddiard and Todd agreed to plan a committee meeting after finding a time that is good for Councilman Button.

Presentations - none

Code Enforcement Office – Dawn Kane

- Dawn reported to the Board that immediately before tonight's meeting Clerk Miller opened an email from MRB requesting that a State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) be completed by the Board at this evening's meeting regarding the water system improvement project. After reviewing the SEQR paperwork, Board members and Water Superintendent Alan Williams agreed that this will be put on hold until the July meeting in order to confirm the project location. It is also noted that the email was sent to a non-working email address for the Supervisor Adam.
- Vine Valley Beach – Four lifeguards have been hired; a 5th will be coming on board. The beach is open currently on weekends only. Beginning in July the beach will be open daily. Superintendent Conaway will be delivering a load of sand.
- The code office is busy with new construction.
- The Planning Board is in need of members. Ted Carmen has stepped down from the YC Planning Board.
- There is a new clerk to the Planning Board and ZBA. Sarah Parshall is doing well.
- Eight letters were mailed to residents regarding property clean-up. Several of them have been solved. Three are outstanding and Code Officer Kane will make further contacts. Legal action will be taken if there is no response after a second letter. Six more letters will be sent.
- Dawn will keep the Board updated on a situation on South Lake Road where a waterfall has been built in a gully. This is a DEC regulated waterway and involves building without a permit.
- Vine Valley Store – Code Officer Kane reported that she needed to inform the store tenants that a propane pizza oven cannot be used inside the building which triggered the fire alarm. Todd reported that the fire alarm system is working. Supervisor Adam reported that a new panel box will be upgraded by NYSEG.

Planning Board – no report

ZBA – no report

Water District – Alan Williams

- In May there was a slightly elevated score for Trihalomethanes (THMs) in the water district. THMs are colorless, tasteless, odorless by-products of disinfecting water. Although this score does not create a danger, notification is mandatory. A letter was sent to affected residents. Superintendent Williams is recommending the purchase of an additional flushing machine. The Town currently has one. Flushing the lines regularly keeps the THMs in check. Supervisor Adam reported the cost of a flushing machine to be \$6,021.29. The drain lines have already been purchased. On a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the Board approved the purchase a flushing machine.

*All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Historian/Heritage Group – no report

Legislator's Report – Patrick Killen

- The County has just reinstated the Sweeps Program. There is currently one person eligible.
- The Yates Community Center want to build a 35,000 square foot field house. They are hoping to raise \$4 million and they have requested \$2 million from the County.
- The Legislature approved a \$.16/gallon tax reduction on gasoline in the County from June 1 – December 31, 2022.
- A Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held July 23, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. – noon at 910 South Decatur St., Watkins Glen. This is held annually for Yates County and Schuyler County residents. I.D. is required and homeowners must pre-register. The Yates County Planning Board website lists items that are accepted.
- The NYS Election Primary will be held June 28th. A Republican Primary Election will be held August 23rd along with a Special Election for the 23rd Congressional District on August 23rd.
- LULA will offer training through Pace University. The trainings are for local leaders and Boards, giving them the opportunity to stay updated.
- Yates County Highway has three new hires who need to obtain their CDL training through Canandaigua Driving School.
- The Legislature authorized up to 10 loads of road millings that will be available to towns for use in patching and shoulder-work.
- County Treasurer Marsha Devine reported to the Legislature that tax reconciliation has been completed with all towns.
- The Broadband Project is in Phase 1. Legislator Killen will check to see the timeframe of the utility building to be constructed in the Town of Middlesex.

Town Clerk – Lynnette Miller

- A copy of the Town Clerk's monthly report was given to the Board members.
- Clerk Miller gave Board members a copy of the tax collection reconciliation with an explanation.
- Newsletter – After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Town newsletter will appear on the website as opposed to mailing. Dawn suggested having a banner made announcing Clean-Up Days. Clerk Miller is requesting information for the newsletter by July 15.

Supervisor's Report – David Adam

- Special Projects – Supervisor Adam reported the Lu Engineers have identified areas of drainage for South Lake Road. The Town is still waiting for the final proposal.
- Supervisor Adam went to look at the used guide rails for 1485 South Lake Rd. They look fine and Pavilion will mark them to be saved for the Town.
- Town Hall Gutters – Councilman Button will donate his boom truck and Jerry Hoover of Quackenbush Hardware will donate the gutter material. Dawn Kane is working on getting a contractor to point up the brick on the Town Hall.
- The boiler at the Town barn has died. Supervisor Adam has 3 quotes. One is substantially higher. After a discussion, on a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, approval was given to Alan Williams to purchase and install a new boiler at the Town barn.

*All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

- Supervisor Adam met with two gentlemen regarding the EV charging stations. Based on the information provided, it appears that the Town would qualify for a substantial amount of grant money. At this stage there is no commitment on the Town's part other than providing two electric bills. Supervisor Adam will proceed with this.
- Professional Consulting Services – Supervisor Adam has a quote for consulting services. The intent is to look at how efficiently the Town is operating. After a discussion, Councilman Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Councilman Liddiard to contract with Bonadio Group for consulting services.
*All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Resolutions –

Resolution #28-22

Appoint Dr. Robert Ostrander as Health Officer

On a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Adam, Liddiard, Mitchell
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Button

RESOLVED to appoint Dr. Robert Ostrander to a four-year term as Health Officer.

Resolution #29-22

Accept Bids from Suit-Kote Corp.

On a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Adam, Liddiard, Mitchell
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Button

RESOLVED to accept bids from Suit-Kote Corp. to oil and stone a portion of Bare Hill Road, a portion of Loomis Road & Lindsley Road. In addition, Bare Hill Road will be reprofiled.

Resolution #30-22

Public Hearing at the Community House July 28, 2022

On a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Adam, Liddiard, Mitchell
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Button

RESOLVED to hold a public hearing on July 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Vine Valley Community House for the purpose of community outreach and updates.

Resolution #31-22

Audit of Claims

On a motion by Councilman Mitchell, seconded by Councilman Liddiard, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Adam, Liddiard, Mitchell
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Button

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RESOLVED that the bills contained in the June 2022 Abstract have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund	Vouchers #100 - 131	\$ 17,942.18
Highway Fund	Vouchers # 84 - 101	\$ 12,622.44
Water District	Vouchers # 17 - 20	\$ 3,737.39
Library Fund	Vouchers # 9	\$ 109.97

Public Comments – none

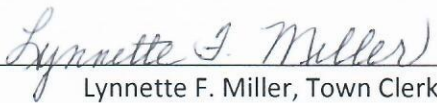
Executive Session

On a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the Board entered Executive Session to discuss personnel items at 8:51 p.m.

Regular Meeting Resumed at 9:02 p.m.

Adjourn

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Liddiard, seconded by Councilman Mitchell, the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Middlesex was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.



Lynnette F. Miller, Town Clerk