

**TOWN OF FORESTPORT
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WOODGATE FIRE HALL
12445 Rte. 28 Woodgate, N.Y. 13494
August 18, 2021**

PRESENT: Supervisor Entwistle
Councilwoman Kardash
Councilman Scouten
Councilwoman Abrial
Tracy Terry, Town Clerk

ABSENT: No members of the Town Board were absent.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM by Supervisor Entwistle.

ABSTRACTS:

GENERAL:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Abrial and seconded by Councilman Scouten to pay Abstract #8, Vouchers #400- # 463 in the amount of \$33,013.23.

Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scouten- yes
Councilwoman Abrial - yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

HIGHWAY:

A motion was made by Councilman Scouten and seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to pay Abstract #8, vouchers #230- #265 in the amount of \$221,000.78.

Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scouten- yes
Councilwoman Abrial - yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

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PLANNING BOARD ESCROW:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilwoman Abrial to pay Abstract #8, Vouchers #1-#4 in the amount of \$400.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scouten- yes
Councilwoman Abrial - yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

TOWN CLERK MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scouten to accept the minutes from the:

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Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scouten- yes
Councilwoman Abrial - yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

REPORTS

TOWN CLERK REPORT

JUSTICE REPORT

PLANNING REPORT

DOG REPORT

CODES REPORT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Abrial and seconded by Councilman Scouten to approve the reports as a whole.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scouten- yes
Councilwoman Abrial - yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

NOCCOG:

- The State Comptroller has set the tax levy limit at 2% for 2022.
- JCAP Grants are available
- John Healt is working on the salary comparison for the positions throughout the 12 Towns that belong to NOCCOG.
- September 28th is a Land Use Training. Supervisor Entwistle stated he

would be attending with Planning Board Co-Chair, Gerry Ritter.

- Cornell Local Roads webinar is August 31st.
- The State Comptroller issued information for Town Officials stating descriptions of Town Classes, responsibilities and the Budget calendar.
- TugHill Commission Annual Dinner is October 14th at the Tailwater Lodge.
- NOCCOG Annual Dinner is October 28th at Gone Coastal.

OLD BUSINESS BOARD

- **Otter Lake Speed Study:** Residents in Otter Lake requested a speed study. Supervisor Entwistle met with Mike G, from the DOT and he stated they are planning on extending the 40mph zone about a half a mile south of Otter Lake. They do not have jurisdiction north of Otter Lake. They are also planning on making the 55mph section in White Lake a 40-45 mph zone.
- **Enchanted Forest:** 40 Forestport kids were able to go to Enchanted Forest last Monday. They had to have an adult with them and everyone had a good time.
- **Trash Day:** This seems to be trending down. This year there were approximately 100 loads and 200 tires.

NEW BUSINESS BOARD:

- **NYS DOL:** The Town of Forestport had a visit from the Department of Labor about a week and a half ago, and the Town is in violation for not having a Work Place Violence Prevention Policy and Risk Assessment. Supervisor Entwistle will be working with the woman from the Department of Labor to put the Town in compliance.
- **ARPA Money:** The Town has received the first check to provide COVID relief for \$78,000. The Town will receive the second check in the Summer of 2022. The total amount of both checks should be around \$156,000.
- **Garramone's Liquor License Renewal:** Garramone's has let the Town know they were submitting their liquor license renewal. There were no comments.
- **Dog Enumeration:** Tracy has been trying to streamline the dog licensing over the last month. She has created a new dog application. There are dogs that are unlicensed in the Town. It creates more work for the Dog Control Officer if they are not registered and the Town gets a small revenue from it. Over the next month, the Town may be contracting with a company to get dogs registered. If you receive a postcard in the mail, fill it out and send it back.
- **Forestport Fire Department:** The Fire Department is in the process of financing a new pumper for \$275,000. They will be holding a Public Hearing at 11965 River Road, Forestport, NY. Part of the process to finance is to present the Town

Board with the particulars. The Town is in no way liable for any of the loan.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilwoman Abrial to approve the Forestport Fire Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes

Councilman Scouten- yes

Councilwoman Abrial - yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

- **Bear Creek Lodge Roads:** The Highway Department is getting ready to do the roads in Bear Creek Lodge this week. Supervisor Entwistle spoke with the President of Bear Creek Lodge and he is going to get a check for half of the work mailed out to the Town. The Highway Department is doing half the work this year and half next year.
- **Budget Requests:** Submit budget requests to Supervisor Entwistle or Tracy.
- **Letter to the Board:** Supervisor read a letter aloud from Mr. Burdick regarding Mr. Gilbert's water usage. Mr. Gilbert was billed for 85,000 gallons of water due to a faulty meter. Supervisor Entwistle spoke with Jim and there was a hairline crack.

A motion was made by Councilman Scouten and seconded by Councilwoman Abrial to reduce Mr. Gilbert's current water bill to normal usage and debt service.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes

Councilman Scouten- yes

Councilwoman Abrial - yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

- **Quarry:** The Regulatory Board for the APA postponed the Quarry hearing until their October meeting. The DEC has considered the application complete. There is a public comment period until September 17th. The DEC is holding a virtual Public Hearing September 2nd. The DEC has an environmental notice bulletin online with projects by region. You can view the application under Region 6 and there is a place to put public comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scouten to enter Executive Session regarding a personnel matter.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes

Councilman Scouten- yes

Councilwoman Abrial - yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:11 with no action taken.

NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC:

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilwoman Abrial to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes

Councilman Scouten- yes

Councilwoman Abrial - yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm by Supervisor Entwistle.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy M. Terry
Forestport Town Clerk