

**Regular Meeting
Town Board, Town of Glen
February 8, 2021
Held at Town of Glen Town Hall**

Present: Supervisor, John Thomas
Councilman, Ron Crewell
Councilman, Tom Murray
Councilman, Russ Kelly
Councilman, Larry Coddington
Highway Superintendent, Dennis Mihuka
Town Clerk, Roxanne Douglass

Bills were audited and ordered paid as follows:

GENERAL OPERATING FUND – GA	\$ 30,517.16
GENERAL OPERATING FUND – GB	\$ 1,284.68
HIGHWAY OPERATING FUND – DB	\$ 11,567.04
WATER DISTRICT 1 OPERATING FUND	\$ 447.22
WATER DISTRICT 2 OPERATING FUND	\$ 21.02
SEWER DISTRICT 1 OPERATING FUND	\$ 57.61
SEWER DISTRICT 2 OPERATING FUND	\$ 22.17

Supervisor Thomas called the Town Board meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor Report, January 2021, as of Feb 8:

- Town's share of the property tax has been received, \$413,976
- Year end close WIP, there will be several minor 2020 budget adjustments at our March meeting
- Resolution approving up to \$50K for purchase and installation of a new District 1 fire pump
- County Shared Services update
 - Contract awards are a work in progress
 - Site work will start soon
 - Invoice has been sent for building permit renewal, 34,929 sq ft garage/office, plus 11,200 sq ft cold storage building

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- Eden solar PILOT discussions with school are getting close to being resolved. The state is currently working on a standard assessment process and value, as part of the new Article 10 review process.
- Mill Point solar, 1 call, 1 email
- Daim Logistics is growing, they plan to purchase the adjoining lot and build a 90,000 warehouse. If this is a wholesale warehouse this is a permitted use, without site plan or special use permitting by the planning board. If this is a truck terminal it will require planning board review for a special use permit. I'll engage Ryan and Tom D when the building permit application is submitted.
- Sen. Hinchey update – discussed state of W&S, SAM grant overdue, commercial solar possibility in Glen, the Senator plans to do a district tour in the spring, one on one planned for Feb
- Civil service 211 waiver completed for Tom DiCaprio
- Worker's comp history posted, 0 claims in 2020
- Fraudulent unemployment claim reported, claim was attempted using the town attorney's credentials
- COVID update, 3 employees tested positive in Jan, all have recovered and are back to work, after being out for 10 work days and being cleared by NYS and their doctor. Need to discuss strategy with board, do we approve additional days of paid sick time?, or do they need to apply for paid family leave, as well as disability, (=worker's compensation), per NYS PAUSE?
- Monthly court fines were down again in January, even with 50% of Dec sliding to Jan, \$31,996, monthly average in 2020 was \$44,339, monthly average in 2019 was \$61,677, monthly average needs to be \$41,000 to stay on budget. If this trend continues, court revenue will be short \$25K.
- Court Audit completed, w/ Russ, there are improvement areas, resolution required
- Annual CEO report submitted to NYS
- 2020 4Q NYS sales tax received, \$150,203, up 8.8% from 4Q 2019. If this trend holds for 1Q – 3Q we will see \$80K in revenue more than budgeted. The state will be taking a \$190K, (2%) bite out of the Montgomery county sales tax in 1Q to fund distressed nursing homes and hospitals.

No changes

- Water District 2 meter read issue is back, village > town
- Sewer 1, free standing genset quotes
- Tiny homes, Planning Board opinion, zoning change?
- Tiny house/RV park interest

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- NYS PAUSE
- Local Law cleanup/repeal before 12/31/2021
- IT controls needed
- 2 – 3 year water contract with a possible rate reduction is a work in progress, the village has committed to getting this done by June 2020. We'll re-evaluate our water district FB's periodically for possible rate reductions. With us absorbing the water rate increase for 14 months and our proposed FB policy change we have at least a year before our water FB's are in line with our policy.
- Highway garage
 - Sowle's update – no change, (contract signed, survey complete, sub-division approved), waiting for lien release, Ammon Yoder would like to continue farming this parcel, it's certified organic
 - \$300,000 SAM Grant update, Sen. Amedore's office reached out in Sept for an updated Grantee Certificate, property deed and closing settlement statement. We're still in the active queue.

Town Council Report - Councilman Murray spoke regarding candidate petitions changes.

State of County Report - no report submitted.

Resolution of Claims – sponsored by Councilman Crewell, seconded by Councilman Murray - 5 voting aye - so approved.

Resolution No. 5 Authorizing Town Officials be Allowed to Attend Annual Town Association Meetings with Expenses Paid, Registration, Lodging, Mileage, Food Allowance sponsored by Supervisor Thomas, seconded by Councilman Crewell - 5 voting aye - so approved.

Resolution No. 18 to Approve Audit of Town of Glen Justice Court Records sponsored by Supervisor Thomas with amendment of attendees to be without Councilman Murray, seconded by Councilman Murray - 5 voting aye - so resolution amended. Resolution No. 18 as amended sponsored by Supervisor Thomas, seconded by Councilman Coddington - 5 voting aye - so approved.

Resolution No. 19 to Approve Purchase sponsored by Supervisor Thomas with amendment of District number, seconded by Councilman Kelly - 5 voting aye - so district number amended. Sponsor by Supervisor Thomas to amend Highway Superintendent to Water Superintendent, seconded by Councilman Coddington - 5 voting aye - so amended. Resolution No. 18 as amended sponsored by Supervisor Thomas, seconded by Councilman Murray - 5 voting aye - so approved.

Resolution No. 20 to Approve Budget Changes tabled until March 8, 2021 Regular Town of Glen Board Meeting.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes and monthly reports sponsored by Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Murray - 5 voting aye - so approved.

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Building & Code Enforcement Officer Report - submitted a written report.

Planning Board Report - Tim Reilly advised status of Buddha site plan review with LaMont Engineering; application received from United Methodist Church and Public Hearing scheduled for February 18, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. regarding VanEpps Road construction; and Eden may be at their meeting for a review.

Highway Department Report - discussion was held regarding Highway Department employees purchasing their own uniforms and receiving \$200.00 reimbursement.

Historian Report - no report submitted.

Water / Sewer Report - Dennis advised regarding Lane / Buanno with no heat in the building and change needed with valve there.

Assessor Report - Resolution No. 21 to Grant Exemptions discussed and sponsored by Supervisor Thomas, seconded by Councilman Crewell - 5 voting aye - so approved.

Animal Control Officer's Report - submitted a written report.

ZBA Report - no report submitted.

Town of Glen Volunteer Fire Department Report - no report submitted.

Public Comment - Susan Whiteman spoke regarding worker's compensation question; Jd Downing spoke regarding contact person information for worker's compensation; Tim Reilly spoke regarding shared services with County testing wells at their new building; Jd Downing spoke regarding Glen Volunteer Fire Department Hall being closed to public since last March due to COVID; Tim Reilly spoke regarding water line issues on Riverside Drive and employees with COVID having no sick time; Susan Whiteman spoke regarding solar meeting and information and percent of land within Town of Glen used for solar farms and Town of Glen Comprehensive Plan changes status.

There being no further business to be brought before the board, motion to adjourn at 8:00 PM made by Supervisor Thomas, seconded by Councilman Crewell - 5 voting aye - so adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Douglass, Town Clerk