

**REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF CONESUS
APRIL 19, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Conesus, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 6210 South Livonia Road, Conesus, New York on the 19th day of April 2022.

PRESENT: Donald Wester ----- Supervisor
 Richard Corrigan ----- Councilman
 John Fama ----- Councilman
 Anita Martucio ----- Councilwoman
 Gary Sparks ----- Councilman/Deputy Supervisor
 Annette McNinch ----- Clerk
 Dan Marusiak ----- Highway Superintendent

OTHERS PRESENT: Ron Maxwell, Code Enforcement Officer; Stephen Martucio, Deputy Highway Superintendent; and members of the community.

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
 Councilman Fama led the Pledge to the Flag.

**RESOLUTION #38.22
AMEND AGENDA**

On a motion of Councilwoman Martucio and seconded by Councilman Sparks following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that the Town Board approves the following amendment to the agenda:

- Addition of Resolution #5 to approve the budget line transfers

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: *Tina and Mike Rados regarding assessment*

- Tina and Mike Rados were present to introduce themselves, present their background and an overview of the work they have performed for the 2022 Assessment Reval Project.
- Ms. Rados is a fully certified assessor with over 10 years experience including waterfront property and reval.
- Mr. Rados was working in the medical field but found that he was genuinely interested in assessment and has been working with Ms. Rados for 6 months during which time he has also been taking the required courses and examinations for Assessor Certification. He has 2 courses to complete the requirements and his requirement to work under a certified assessor will be complete at the end of this year.
- The Town Board thanked them for stepping in to handle the reval and informal hearings.
- The informal hearings started with Saturday appointments. They were handling 16 appointments per Saturday. Mr. Rados has been checking email and voice mails several times per day. He has also added Wednesdays to his schedule. So far only 2 appointments have been made for Grievance Day which will be held on June 1st.
- They will be reaching out to the Board of Assessment Review before the meeting night.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Next Town Board Tuesday May 3, 2022, 7PM
2. There are still a few COVID 19 Rapid test kits available call 738-0753 or email dwester@town.conesus.ny.us if you are interested.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

Town Clerk – *Annette McNinch:*

- March Report

Highway Superintendent – *Dan Marusiak:*

- A new 10-wheel truck has been ordered and the work on the damaged truck has been completed.
- Councilman Sparks commended the department for the inhouse spring replacement job and noted that it was a huge savings to the Town.

Code Officer Report – *Ron Maxwell*

- Handling 3 dock complaints – one will be going to court.
- Mr. Rudgers is completing fire inspections.
- The department will be meeting on Monday night to catch up on all activities.

Assessor Report – *Tina and Mike Rados*

- See Privilege of the Floor

UPDATES ON KEY ISSUES:

Conesus Lake: Councilman Fama

- The annual CLA Earth Day Cleanup will be held on Saturday April 23rd. There are 6 sites to meet at. Please register @ ConesusLake.org
- The Steering Committee met on April 6th
 - 3rd of July Flare pickup will be the same as last year with pickup at the Lakeville Training Grounds
 - Starry Stone Wort presence is heavier near Pebble Beach. Lakes to the east of Conesus Lake are worse, particularly Canandaigua and Keuka. This will continue to be monitored and studied this summer.
 - Water quality - The effects of timber harvesting on the steep slopes surrounding Conesus Lake are of concern. Training will be offered to Code Enforcement Officers and the Watershed Inspector. Regulations will likely be forthcoming.
 - Annual Scholarships for students enrolling in Environmental Studies are being offered to Geneseo and Livonia Students.
- Watershed Education Center is offering the following programs via ZOOM or at the Center - Pre-Register at the CLA Website: www.conesuslake.org:
 - April 27 American Chestnut Tree
 - May 18 Managing our Water Resources
 - June 29 Native American Storyteller
 - July 20 Invasive Species Update
 - August 10 Lake Photography Workshop
 - August 24 Ag BMPs and their effect on the Watershed

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- September 14 Trends in Water Quality
- October 26 Managing Wildlife
- November 15 Amphibians
- December 7 SUNY Brockport/Geneseo Student Projects

Conesus and Livingston County Planning Board: Reports: Councilwoman Martucio

- County Planning Board: A quorum is 14 members, with no tie breaker no official yea or nay was provided.
 - Conesus - Sent back the Fence Law with a few questions/comments.
 - Geneseo - Reviewed a solar project on Route 20A by the Genesee Valley Vet Office on the south side of the road that will be taking a large section of prime soil approximately 86 acres.
 - York - presented a zoning amendment to make corrections to their zoning map.
 - Livonia- Little Lakes Brewing is adding a building to replace the event tent.
- Town Planning Board: No Report

ZBA Reports: Councilman Corrigan

- No Report.

Livingston County/Town Report: Supervisor Wester

- On 5/14/2022 the County is hosting a Family Fest at Al Lorenz Park in Mt. Morris. Some of the events will be a child car seat check, bike safety rodeo, and other children's and family activities.
- Transportation news – Long term construction on I390 between exit 10 and 12 is scheduled for this spring/summer.

Town Facilities Maintenance Report: Councilman Corrigan

- No Report

Reports of Projects:

- **Justice committee report:** Councilman Sparks.
 - No Report
- **Update on committee assignments and upcoming projects.** Supervisor Wester
- **ARPA** – Reviewed the newest changes – The deadline for designating expenses for the funds is 2024 and the deadline for completion of spending is 2026.
- **Empire Broadband** – Councilwoman Martucio is encouraged but expressed a need for patience. The first grant will not be completed until 2023. There are additional monies available, and they are being sought.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Preparation for Solar/Battery Storage Local Law Committee. Supervisor Wester will Chair. Committee will consist of legal counsel, Councilwomen Martucio, CEO, Planning Board Chair Brad Francis, Community member TBD. These meetings will be conducted primarily through ZOOM.
- Mowing Contract – Because there is an option for a 3-year renewal in the contract with Cook's Mowing and Landscape Attorney Young stated that there was no requirement to send to bid this year.
- IT Firewalls – Hurricane Technologies recommends updating the Town Hall Firewall and installing a Firewall at the Highway Department as soon as possible. The Board agreed to purchase new firewall equipment for both facilities.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Andrew Mohr Town Assessor has resigned by letter from the Sole Assessor position effective May 4, 2022. Councilwoman Martucio appreciates Tina and Mike Rados for stepping in during Mr. Mohr’s absence. She would like the temporary positions made official by resolution. She also wants the position advertised. A decision regarding appointment of Mr. and/or Ms. Rados was tabled until the May 3rd meeting.
- Appointment of Mr. David McNicholas to the Board of Assessment Review Board.

RESOLUTION #39.22

APPROVAL OF TOWN CLERK’S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Sparks following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that the Town Board approves the Town Clerk’s Financial Report for March 2022 as follows:

<u>Account#</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Local Share</u>
A1603	Vital Statistics Fees: Death Record	Certified Copies	11	110.00
			Sub-Total:	\$110.00
A2544	Dog Licensing	Female, Spayed	4	60.00
		Female, Unspayed	1	22.00
		Male, Neutered	2	30.00
			Sub-Total:	\$112.00
A2555	Building Permit	Building Permit Renewal	1	17.50
		Building Permits	4	863.20
	Code Enforcement	Erosion Control Permit	3	120.00
			Sub-Total:	\$1,000.70
			Total Local Shares Remitted:	\$1,222.70
Amount paid to: NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program				9.00
Total State, County & Local Revenues:		\$1,231.70	Total Non-Local Revenues: \$9.00	

RESOLUTION #40.22

APPROVE 2022 MOWING CONTRACT RENEWAL

On a motion of Councilwoman Martucio and seconded by Councilman Sparks the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Whereas, the Town of Conesus Town Board on the 19th day of April 2000 has accepted and approved the increase from \$5,705.00 to \$5,990.00 for the 2022 mowing season per the written contract
Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that the above mentioned has accepted and approved Cooks Mowing and Landscape renewal services contract for the 2022 mowing season

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RESOLUTION #41.22

APPROVE PURCHASE OF IT FIREWALLS FOR TOWN HALL AND HIGHWAY FACILITY

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilwoman Martucio the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Whereas the Town of Conesus Town Board on the 19th Day of April 2022 has reviewed and agreed to accept the quote from Hurricane Technologies to upgrade the firewalls in the Town Hall and Highway Department,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Town of Conesus Town Board agree and accepts the quote set forth from Hurricane Technologies to upgrade the firewall at a cost of \$825.00 each.

RESOLUTION #42.22

APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY BUDGET LINE TRANSFERS

On a motion of Councilwoman Martucio and seconded by Councilman Sparks following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that the Town Board approves the following budget line transfers put forth by the Town's Accounting Firm Baldwin Business Services

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Conesus Town Board reviewed and accept the line transfers as follows:

HIGHWAY FUND

<i>Transfer from:</i>	DA5142.4	Snow Removal, Contr.	\$207.00
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<i>Transfer to:</i>	DA9055.8	Disability Insurance	\$207.00
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RESOLUTION #43.22

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF ASSESSOR ANDREW MOHR

On a motion of Councilwoman Martucio and seconded by Councilman Fama the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that the Town of Conesus Town Board on the 19th Day of April 2022 has reviewed and agreed to accept the resignation from Mr. Andrew Mohr effective May 4, 2022 from the Sole Assessor Position.

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RESOLUTION #44.22

APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Sparks the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that the Town of Conesus Town Board on the 19th Day of April 2022 has reviewed and approved the request that Mr. David McNicholas be appointed to the Board of Assessment Review to a 5-year term.

RESOLUTION #45.22

AUDIT OF HIGHWAY FUND CLAIMS

On a motion of Councilman Sparks and seconded by Councilwoman Martucio the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that Highway Fund Vouchers #51- #71 as set forth in Abstract No. 7 of 2022 in the amount of \$37,532.25 are approved.

RESOLUTION #46.22

AUDIT OF GENERAL FUND CLAIMS

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Sparks the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Wester, Fama, Martucio, Sparks
	Nays	0	
	Absent	1	Corrigan

Resolved that General Fund Vouchers #107-#137 as set forth in Abstract No. 7 of 2022 in the amount of \$31,497.81 are approved.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Sparks, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette M. McNinch

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Town Clerk