

# **TOWN OF SPRINGWATER TOWN BOARD MEETING AUGUST 12, 2024 - APPROVED**

**Meeting called to order** by Supervisor Babbitt Henry at 7:00 P.M.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call of Board** - Present: Councilmember Thomas Canute, Jr., Deputy Supervisor Lawrence Gnau, Supervisor Deborah Babbitt Henry.

**Absent:** Councilmember Kyle Mason, Councilmember Tracey Proctor.

## **Acceptance of Minutes**

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to accept the minutes for the July 8th, 2024, meeting, seconded by Councilmember Canute, Jr.; motion carried with all ayes.

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## **Abstract of Claims # 8 of 2024 \$ 63,706.27**

Approving the Abstract of Claims #8 of 2024 for Audit date 8/12/2024

General Fund	\$ 21,246.23	Vouchers	188 - 214
Highway Fund	\$ 23,969.42	Vouchers	129 - 145
Sewer Fund	\$ 16,708.98	Vouchers	95 - 111
Water Fund	\$ 1,781.64	Vouchers	53 - 60

**Motion** made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau, to approve abstract of claims #8 of 2024 for an overall total of \$ 63,706.27 seconded by Councilmember Canute Jr.; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute Jr., aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

## **Supervisors**

1. The following monthly reports were distributed to the board: Assessor Report July 2024, Sewer & Water Report July 2024, Town Clerk Report July 2024, Town Justice Report July 2024, Town Supervisor Report July 2024.
2. Justice Christi Johnson will be attending the NYSAMCC Conference in Niagara Falls 9/29 – 10/3 for the required Justice Training.
3. Summer Recreation is underway and proceeding well with fourteen children currently attending.
4. SLFRF Compliance Report, which is required under ARPA Grant was filed on behalf of the Town by Baldwins (BBS services). This completes our reporting responsibilities and ARPA funding.
5. A thank you letter to the Town from the Livingston Co. Office of the aging for the use of the Springwater town hall for exercise classes.

6. A letter was received from NYS DOT informing us of our unsuccessful grant application for the Canadice Rd culvert over Limekiln creek. Project exceeding funding. The NYS DOT encouraged the Town of Springwater to reapply for next year's funding rounds.
7. A Letter was received from the Association of Towns that they are increasing annual dues from \$999 to \$1,098 for 2025.

#### **Old Business**

1. Restate the intentions of the Town of Springwater to allow the operation of the town's wastewater and water facilities to pass to the Livingston County Water & Sewer Authority.
2. **Motion** made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry to start the due diligence process with the intentions of turning the water and the waste water system over to the Livingston County Water Authority, seconded by Councilmember Canute Jr.; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute Jr., aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.
3. A packet was provided to the Town Board for NYCLASS on the interest it is now earning.

#### **NEW Business**

1. **INFORMATION** – Livingston County Environmental Management Council has undergone a revamping of the regulations and requirements for that board. Towns are requested to submit any interested person/organization for representation on the council.
2. Request from Donald Haywood for "Decommissioning of the Water and Sewer services" for his property at 8107 South Main Street property. Mr. Haywood was advised that the debt tax will remain on this parcel.  
  
**Motion** made by Deputy Supervisor Gnau to allow for the decommissioning of the existing septic tanks on the Donald Haywood, 8107 South Main Street property with the Town's help and to remove the sewer service charges once the building is removed, seconded by Councilmember Canute Jr.; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute Jr., aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.
3. **INFORMATION** – Attorney Jim Campbell is pursuing the violations from the Code Enforcement office for the properties on East Avenue through the court system.
4. Start to pursue new camera system at the park behind the American Legion on School Street due to safety concerns and ongoing property damages.
5. **Motion** made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry to advance the camera system at the Town Park, the funds to come out of the Parks Reserve, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau; Roll Call: Councilmember Canute Jr., aye; Deputy Supervisor Gnau, aye; Supervisor Babbitt Henry, aye; motion carried.

## **NEW CONSENT/SEWER PROJECT**

1. No new project updates have been received by Hunt Engineering or the NYS-DEC.

### **Board Reports**

*Town Clerk* - Nothing to report.

*Councilmember Proctor* (Recreation, Town Clerk, Planning) – Absent

*Councilmember Canute* (Water) – Nothing to report.

*Councilmember Gnau* (Sewer) – Nothing to report.

*Councilmember Mason* (Fire; Highway) - The Highway Superintendent spoke regarding the dump on Limekiln Road being over full and the need to find a way to stop people from dumping. Supervisor Babbitt Henry and the Highway Superintendent spoke regarding thoughts on considering a tire amnesty once or twice a year to help keep tires being thrown along roadsides. The Highway Superintendent got a quote for a possible new swing flail mower in 2025 if approved.

### **Adjournment**

**Motion** made by Supervisor Babbitt Henry to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Gnau. Motion carried with all Ayes.

Respectfully submitted,



Joyce L. Nisbet  
Town Clerk