The Town Board of the Town of Trenton held a Meeting at the Trenton Municipal Center, 8520 Old Poland Road, Barneveld, New York. Supervisor Godfrey called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Present were: Councilmen Michael Bennison, Eric Taylor, Chris Crumb, Jim Farr and Town Clerk, Rachel Bunker. Also present: Kathryn Festine, Town Attorney, Dave Buck, Jan Corn, Joe Rowlands, Leo Boulerice, Ken Cutler, Dave Constable.

I. Meeting called to order by Supervisor Godfrey at 7:03 pm

II. Pledge to the Flag

III. Privilege of the Floor

David Buck gave a report on Oneida County. There is an increase in youth employment this year. They are up to over 400 youth working across Oneida County.
County received money for septic replacement up to $10,000 that residents can apply for.
There have been several concerns about speeding on Powell Rd. He is following up with the Sheriff today. There were 5 tickets issued just yesterday.

IV. Officers Reports:

Highway Superintendent :

Stiehl advised they received the new loader but there is an issue – came with a warped bucket. There is a new bucket on the way.
Done with cold paving and started stocking sand.
Search for new employee. Interviewed 2 and will be doing a third. Looking for the board's approval to hire the best one he sees fit.

Godfrey advised they have to accept the resignation of one highway employee. Farr made motion to accept resignation of Thomas Farr, seconded by Crumb, 5 ayes.

Godfrey asked for motion for Jason to hire a replacement. Crumb made motion for Jason to hire a replacement, seconded by Farr, 5 ayes.

Highway Abstract # 183-207 in the amount of $356,114.20. Bennison made motion to pay vouchers numbered 183-207 in the amount of $356,114.20, seconded by Taylor, 5 ayes.

Attorney:
Regarding wastewater, Kate advised they are past the period for permissive referendum. Rachel and Kate will get together on the 22nd of July. Kate needs documents from Rachel to go in her package to the Comptroller.

Assessor: Not present.

Codes:

Cutler provided a copy of his report to board members. The big question is when is the bowling alley coming down. Cutler said it was supposed to be on Monday but they got pulled out on a site in Sauquoit. As soon as that is finished, they will be back in Barneveld.

Cutler said many calls on the clothes on the roof on Mappa Ave. Placard signs still up. Cutler told owner that he will be fined between $500 and $1,000 for removal of any signs. Godfrey said property needs to be cleaned up. It is the number one thing he gets calls about. Godfrey advised he and the highway guys went over and cleaned up the garbage and the owner threw more out.
Cutler said all 3 buildings need to be placarded and cease occupancy. Cutler has gotten 2 of the tennents out and into other places and is working with Social Services on the last one. Kate advised that she believes that last one will be out by the end of the week. Cutler said as soon as that takes place, immediate action needs to happen to placard the building and seal them up.

Zoning:

Boulerice presented a copy of his report. There are concerns about outdoor burning at the Amish farm on Fox Road. According to the Environmental Conservation Officer, the outdoor stove is considered illegal burning of solid waste by DEC. DEC officer Starczek is going to stop by and talk to the owner. Boulerice asks if anybody travels Fox Rd. and sees any fires going on any Amish Farms or other farms, to give him a call or a text and he will get the DEC Officer Starczek to pay them a visit.

Boulerice gave Roscoe 90 days, 30 days with a 60 day extension to get rid of unregistered vehicles. Will send a letter out tomorrow that Kate reviewed regarding legal action if not in compliance.

Clerk:

Rachel advised local shares remitted $21,421.50 for the month of June. Large amount is because of the DG Market Building permit that came through.

Supervisor:

Godfrey advised table until next meeting. Will get them to the board and they can vote at that time.

NOCCOG:

Rowlands gave overview of upcoming webinars and workshops.
Laird Petrie offering workshops on budget. No cost for either session. August 6th in Altmar and August 29th in Boonville.
NOCCOG Global Positioning System. In the past they have offered positioning services to all municipalities but needed someone from the town Highway Dept. or someone from the town offices on board to help them or be there when they did it which is not always possible. In order to remedy that, NOCCOG will do it themselves. They will invite a designee to be a part of the mapping, they will facilitate it, share the reports but won't require assistance from anyone in the town per se.
NOCCOG Board of Directors announced the winners of the NOCCOG Scholarships. Each winner will receive $500 after completion of the first college semester.

V. Resolutions:

Abstracts:

Hinckley Sewer Abstract #14 and 15 in the amount of $93.39. Bennison made motion to pay vouchers #14 and 15 in the amount of $93.39 seconded by Crumb, 5 ayes.

General Abstracts #406 to 510 in the amount of $97,647.01. Crumb made motion to pay vouchers # 406 to 510 in the amount of $97,647.01 seconded by Farr, 5 ayes.

Godfrey advised there is a request to hookup to the Prospect Water District from Mr. Putnam. Farr made motion to approve Putnam hooking up to the James E. Barrett Water District, seconded by Taylor, 5 ayes.

To that end, Rich drew up a Permit Form, one for James E. Barrett Water District and one for Barneveld which he would like the board to look at. We will table these permits for now. Festine said she would like to look at any bylaws for the water district. She believes they should be providing insurance along with the permit.

Rachel said they also need to look at an appropriate fee.

Jonathan Lake Roadside Stand – Farr made motion to approve Jonathan Lake Roadside Stand, seconded by Crumb, 5 ayes.

Approve Bart Stahl rehire for Buildings and Grounds – Farr made motion to rehire Bart Stahl for Building and Grounds, seconded by Taylor, 5 ayes.

Priority Issues:

Fishing Access Sight – Godfrey said a while back DEC reached out about a fishing access sight. They asked if we would be interested in putting out a fishing access sight for the Cincinnati Creek. Farr said they can have that if we get the permits for the bridge. Will discuss more at the next meeting.

Swim Beach and Playground – Everything is going well. Rachel talked with Grace Mahanna this morning. There are about 45 to 55 kids on average daily – about 20 more than last year. The beach is very busy. Took in $93 in day passes on Monday alone. We have printed 160 of the residents cards for families to pick up.

Godfrey advised the pool is the best it's ever been. Rich's crew repaired all the docks, etc. Out of the playground program, there are 40 or 50 kids that are in the swim instruction program and then we have Holland Patent busing over 15 to 20 on a daily basis taking lessons.

Wastewater Update - Bennison and Godfrey met with BCA a couple of weeks ago. We did get the grant application in on time. Taylor Mills is doing some additional testing because we are going to be sending in the WQIP application by July 31st. Farr asked a question about the stream sampling and how many samples to date. Godfrey said there have been quite a few tests done, and all are different tests. They require 5 tests in a month.

Trenton Falls Trails – Godfrey is trying to recruit someone. Betsy Mack and her daughter have decided not to do that anymore. If anyone knows of anyone to manage it, please advise. We pay $500 for the weekend, there is a list of volunteers that would have to work with the new Director at Brookfield, John Johnson.
Rachel said she would put something on our page.

Farr asked if there was anything that needed to be discussed about the Veterans Picnic. Godfrey said we're all set – invitations are going out and it's in the paper and will be online. August 25, 2024 from 1 to 4 pm. Always need help and it's open to any Veteran, not just in our town.

Committees:

Planning Board:

No report.

ZBA:

There were a couple of people that came in on Monday, one about chickens and the other was about a deck over at Assembly Park.

Greenbelt:
No report.

Infrastructure Committee:

Hasn't met.

VIII. Communications:
None.

Next meeting July 24, 2024

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Farr, second by Taylor, 5 ayes.

Meeting Adjourned 8:54 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel I. Bunker
Town Clerk