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 7:00 pm. Present were: Councilmen Eric Taylor, Chris Crumb, Jim Farr and Deputy Town Clerk, Donna Mills. Michael Bennison was absent.

I. Meeting called to order by Supervisor Godfrey at 7:05 pm

II. Resolutions

A. Resolution to approve Brian Tolbert as new hire for the Highway Department. Discussed resume and interview and references. Jason believes he is the best candidate out of the 4 or 5 he interviewed. Motion to approve the hiring of Brian Tolbert to the Highway Department made by Crumb, seconded by Taylor, 4 ayes.

B. Adirondack CD notice that will mature on August 6th. Godfrey handed out a current balance sheet. As of August 5, they will take in $13,144.00 in interest at 5.27%. Godfrey called Heather at the bank and she got back to him with current values of 4.75% for 3 months and 4.95% for 6 months if we want to roll it over. Decision needs to be made on what to do by August 5th, whether 3 or 6 month rollover or investigate what NY Class has to offer. Farr made motion to rollover the original $500,000 CD and the interest accrued for 6 months with Adirondack Bank, seconded by Taylor, 4 ayes.

C. Food Trucks for Unity Hall rental at West Canada on August 25, 2024. Godfrey spoke to Rich and he has no problem with it, but suggested that it have Board approval. Unity Hall will have to amend their liability insurance/rental agreement with the town. Motion to approve food trucks at West Canada Pavilion on August 25, 2024 for Unity Hall made by Crumb, seconded by Farr, 4 ayes.

D. Approve Minutes June 12, June 26 and July 10, 2024 – Farr made motion to approve minutes June 12, June 26th and July 10th, seconded by Crumb, 4 ayes.

E. Approve Intent to File Application for Funding With Rural Development for Barneveld Wastewater – Godfrey handed out an email he received from McKenzie at the BC Group and highlighted what the application would include. The town needs to give the public notice of their intent to file for the funding application with Rural Development USDA. If it gets approved tonight he will forward a copy of the minutes to McKenzie showing the approval. Once Rural Development approves it, the Clerk's Office will put the notice in the newspaper and there will be a public comment period. Crumb made a resolution for the Public Notice – Intent to File An Application with USDA, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service, seconded by Farr, 4 ayes.

Godfrey added the following resolution per BCA: The Town of Trenton intends to file an application for funding consideration with the USDA – Rural Development.

The proposed project includes the construction of a new wastewater collection system to serve the Hamlet of Barneveld and Mapledale area in the Town of Trenton. The project will consist of gravity sewer mains, force mains, sewer laterals to the right-of-way, manholes, grinder pumps and lift stations. It will also include a new wastewater treatment facility.

F. Resolve to Pay Counselors for time During Power Outage. – Because of the power outage last week we had to cancel the summer program and the swim beach because there were no bathrooms. The lifeguards did not lose out because we guarantee them 30 hours, but the playground counselors missed 2 days. Because the season is short, Godfrey would like to pay them for the two days they were out. Taylor made motion to give counselors full pay for those 2 days the summer program was cancelled, seconded by Crumb, 4 ayes.

As a note, the Town Board has heard great reports back from the community about the park. Taylor said he stopped by and everyone was friendly. Everyone agrees that the Parks and Recreation crew did a great job making everything look great. Godfrey said Rachel and Audrey did a great job getting it all together. Godfrey said Audrey is indispensable!!

III. Priority Issues

A. Wastewater WQIP Update – WQIP is going in this week – a few days early. We have everything all lined up, testing is done.

B. Prospect Ballpark – Godfrey met with the Hart brothers today. Brookfield has volunteered and is putting in all the pole lamps out in the driveway areas and lighting in the park. The turnaround wall is up and is big enough that a bus can easily make the turn. Once that's done we will start paving and getting landscaping done. The field is done.

C. ARPA- Godfrey will be meeting with town attorney. It doesn't make sense that the board cannot vote for something to do with the fire district. He will discuss it with Kate.

D. Playground/Swim Beach – Already discussed.

Crumb made motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Taylor, 4 ayes.

Meeting Adjourned 7:36 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna R. Mills
Deputy Town Clerk