The Town Board of the Town of Trenton held a Town Board Meeting at the Trenton Municipal Center, 8520 Old Poland Road, Barneveld, New York at 7:00 PM. Present were: Supervisor Michael Bennison, Councilmen Chris Crumb, Eric Taylor, James Farr, James Mills and Town Clerk, Rachel I. Bunker. Also present, Jason Stiehl, Kate Festine, Esquire, Lisa Bellinger, Ken Cutler, Dave Constable, Theresa Inserra.

I. Call to Order

Supervisor Bennison called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

II. Pledge to the Flag

III. Privilege of the Floor: None

IV. Officer's Reports:

A. Highway Superintendent: Jason advised the paving projects are completed. They are get the roads prepped for oil and stone in between maintenance on plow trucks, roadside mowing and helping with the playground. Will possibly get the stone and chips in next week. Cold storage building was staked out today and Jason called the contractor but hasn't received a call back as to whether he wants the town to level the site or not. Jason advised he did pull the building a little closer to the road. He asked if the town had any interest in getting the town's land back from Hudon's or not. Bennison asked if there was something signed on paper and Jason advised yes.

Cutler asked if there was a site meeting with the contractor yet, which is normally what is done. Bennison will talk with Don Ehre and try to set up a meeting.

Bennison advised there is a Notice of Award signed and some change orders for the Recycling Center.

Jason also mentioned he has had complaints about the parking at the new pub in Prospect. Discussion ensued regarding the previous ideas of parking on one side of street. Town Board was going to wait and see if the situation cleared itself once the grand opening was over.

i. Abstract: Abstracts 204 to 237 in the amount of $222,746.35. Chris Crumb made motion to pay abstracts 204 to 237 in the amount of $222,746.35, seconded by Jim Mills, 5 ayes.

Jason asked Kate about the new water main at Hinckley. If they are accessing their site through one of our roads with extremely heavy equipment, can we make them bond that road? Jason advised that he does have an email agreement with them that they will fix the road, but that was 2 years ago. Kate will look into it tomorrow and get back to him.

B. NOCCOG: Lisa Bellinger advised of upcoming programs and webinars.

- Tug Hill Commission's monthly meeting is June 17th at the Ava Town Hall.
- NOCCOG Executive Committee meets quarterly and next meeting is June 18th at the Prospect Library.
- Oneida County is launching a Youth Investment Initiative in cooperation with the Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida County for local non-profit organizations for programs that address the needs of at-risk youth in Oneida County.
- NY Planning Federation Monday Training Schools – offering 4 different dates starting in August through October.
- Oneida County Housing Guidebook is available – link on the Oneida County Housing Resources webpage.
- Webinar regarding Data Centers and the Tug Hill Region on Thursday June 25th 6-7:30 pm.
- Consolidated Funding Application now open through end of July.
- Oneida County Town Clerk's Association is offering training this month on June 29th in the Forestport Town Hall.

All information is available on the NOCCOG website.

C. Assessor: Nothing

D. Codes: Cutler asked if anyone had any questions or comments regarding his report. Farr said he received a complaint on the old bleachers across from Square Stamping. Dave advised he will find out who the owner of the property is and will send them a registered letter and give them 7 days to respond. He was told Chip O'Donnell is the owner. If there is no response, he will talk with Kate and Bennison for further action.

Ken suggested at the Planning Board Meeting that they need to address fire safety issues. Kate suggested that she and Ken meet and talk.

Zoning: Theresa Inserra advised that Jonathan Hoffman is putting up a lot of new mobile homes and sheds in Adirondack Ridge. They are also putting in a playground and want to do other improvements there. The same thing with Mapledale Community. They are cleaning out and putting up new ones as well. Mills asked if there was any response from Rasko's regarding the unregistered vehicles. Theresa said they did receive the certified letter so she will bring it to Leo's attention as to what is next.

E. Supervisor Report -Copies given to Board member to review. Tabled until next meeting.

i. Hirings: Buildings & Grounds, Concessions, Counselors, Lifeguards: Board was given a list of all the new hires and the returning hires. Rachel advised that 22 people applied for 4 positions at the concession stand. Next year Rachel would like to do a job fair. Jim Farr made motion to approve all the new and returning hires, seconded by Eric Taylor, 5 ayes.

Highway Cold Storage Building: Bennison advised he needs authorization to sign the Notice of Award to Richard E. Alexander Co., Inc. Jim Farr made motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Notice of Award to Richard E. Alexander Co., Inc., seconded by Chris Crumb, 5 ayes.

Beebe Construction – Highway Building: Bennison advised that he, Chris Crumb and Don Ehre met with Bebee Construction regarding some add ons and change orders. Board was given the list. Crumb advised he just got a phone call about that meeting and amount is $7,438.00 for change order #5. The first change order was no increase. The second change order was $2,106.00 increase for additional one pound support on upper side as subscribed in the memorandum dated April 28th. Change order #3 is a decrease of $5200. Change overhead doors to uninsulated door. Change order #4 addition of Y bracing to center and south column rows, $4,234.00 and Change order #5 was $7,438.00. Bennison asked for a motion to sign for all the change orders and give them to Don Ehre. Jim Farr made motion to have the Supervisor sign for all the change orders, seconded by Chris Crumb, 5 ayes.

New Highway Door – North End. $3,300.00 Motion by Eric Taylor to approve the new highway door on the North End for $3,300.00, seconded by Crumb, 5 ayes.

F. Town Clerk Report: Shares remitted $18,969.50. The amount is due to bringing in $10,975.00 in park and swim lessons and registrations in the month of May. There is a couple more thousand trickling in for the month of June. The goal is to offset some of the cost that we put in to a very detailed and comprehensive summer park program. Enrollment was low, but it's a regrowing year as people adjust to having a cost incurred. Taylor asked how many kids were enrolled. Rachel advised for the younger kids, there are 129 sessions booked at $50.00/week. The older kids, which are the middle school program, is $75.00/week and we have 51 sessions booked. Swim lessons haven't been opened to the community. It's only if you did the other 2 programs so we only have 14 so far.

Rachel advised Kate that at another time she would like to talk to her about all things dogs.

Rachel is also working hard on coming into compliance with Open Meetings Law in having everything online. Right now as of yesterday, I can only put 3 files on the Agenda so I have Zoning, Codes and Clerk Reports on there.

G. Attorney Report: Kate advised she filed the lawsuit again Marvin Miller. She is waiting for the Judge to sign the Show Cause Order which is seeking injunction from them operating the sawmill.

Cutler asked if the town is doing the same thing with Rasko. Kate advised she will do whatever she is instructed to do from the Board. Kate said the Board should talk with Leo and then if the Board wants to authorize her to go after Rasko in court, she will. Ken advised that they are in violation of a State Code and it shouldn't be a decision or a choice. Kate advised Ken that he is authorized to ticket them and take them to Town Court. For Kate to go to Supreme Court, this Board needs to authorize it. Jim Farr made motion to authorize Town Attorney, Kate Festine to file paperwork against Rasko, seconded by Chris Crumb, 5 ayes.

Kate asked Rachel about the SEQR Resolutions she provided. Rachel said she sent everything to Mackenzie and was advised that

she needs dates of approval put into them all. Rachel will work on them.

H. Buildings & Grounds: Bennison advised the playground should be all done with everything by next week. Jason is going to do some stone, vapor barrier and more stone. Keith and his crew will get all the rounded rubber in. Rachel advised she would like to do a grand opening/ribbon cutting. Keith is teaching all the employees working for him on how to test the water. Bennison is waiting for companies to get back to him with pricing on doing complete water systems.

V. Resolutions:

A. Approve May 27, 2026 Meeting Minutes: Chris Crumb made motion to approve May 27, 2026 minutes, seconded by Eric Taylor, 5 ayes.

B. Abstracts:

i. Hinckley: Jim Farr made motion to approve Hinckley abstracts number 12 and 13 in the amount of $126.71, seconded by Eric Taylor, 5 ayes.

ii. General: Jim Mills made motion to approve General vouchers numbered 440 to 530 in the amount of $198,974.28, seconded by Eric Taylor, 5 ayes. Crumb advised the Board that he, Rachel and Heather went over all the voucher this afternoon before the meeting. Heather is doing an outstanding job on them (and Florence will be the first to agree!)

VI. Priority Issues:

A. Trenton Community Hall Roof: Previously approved. Bennison advised he wants half down and the other half after work completed.

B. Municipal Center Paving: Handicap Parking, Payment Approval: Chris Crumb made motion to pay Precision Paving $47,000.00 for Municipal Center parking lot, seconded by Mills, 5 ayes.

C. Prospect Parking: Talked about earlier.

D. Trenton Park Internet Contract & Services: For internet at the Town Park. Spectrotel – Tom Zielenski . Bennison asked about Pinkos. Crumb advised he emailed him but has not received a response and will call him tomorrow. Eric Taylor made motion to to put in Spectrotel internet at the Town Park, seconded by Jim Farr, 5 ayes.

E. Poland Road Bridge: Bennison advised that he and Chris Crumb had a meeting with Jeff Dora. They opened the bids on the Poland Bridge. The price is now $5.1 million. The silver lining is we might be able to put some of the water project money and they will get more money from NY Bridge.

F. Discuss Battery Energy Storage Systems (B.E.S.S.) and O.R.E.S.: Bennison is going to look into more about the data centers too; the amount of power and water they use.

Cutler advised he has 2 more things -first with Kate and the Local Law in order to enforce regulations for businesses to come into Trenton. Secondly, there are no signs entering the Town of Trenton and he believes they should be posted. Kate and Ken will meet.

VII. Committees:

A. Planning Board:

B. ZBA: Theresa advised they did receive a zoning application from Carl Vogel for the hotel. He has been invited to come to the Planning Board/Work Session Monday night.

Theresa also advised that she connected with Danny Swartentruber on the corner of Rte 365 and Mapledale Rd. We have many applications for him and he also has been invited to the Work Session on Monday night to straighten out what he needs for a roadside stand and a use variance to build the sheds.

Jim Farr advised he would like to have Buildings and Grounds order new bases for ballfield because the ones that are there are already disfunctional. We need hirer quality bases that are secured on all 4 corners. Also, he would like a set of keys for all of the baseball park because he is getting calls about lights on and things like that. Rachel advised she has no keys. Farr asked Bennison to talk to Keith about getting him a full set of all the keys for the park.

Farr would also like the pins for the curb stops delivered to the pavilion up at the ballpark.

C. Greenbelt: Nothing

D. Infrastructure: Nothing

VIII. Communications:

A. Next Meeting June 24, 2026 at 7:00 pm

B. Executive Session: None

IX. Adjournment: Chris Crumb made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm, seconded by Jim Mills, 5 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel I. Bunker

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