

September 20th, 2023

Monthly Meeting

Junius Town Hall

**Present:** Supervisor Ernie Brownell, Councilman Rick Wadhams, Councilman Kyle Black, Councilman James Patsos, Councilman Randy Wadhams, Planning Board Linda Mott, Town Clerk Colleen Smith

**Absent:** Highway Superintendent Dave Fisk, Assessor Phil Griswold, Bookkeeper Denise Darcangelis

**Also Present:** Kristy ward, Joe smith

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm**

The Public Hearing on the Junius Presbyterian Church called to order by Councilman Rick Wadhams and seconded by Councilman James Patsos.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Kristy ward, a representative of the church, informed us that on Friday September 22<sup>nd</sup> there would be a congressional meeting to officially close the church. The administrative council for the Presbyterian Church is working on what to do with the church. They are wondering if the Town would be interested in purchasing it for a small fee. Kristy supplied a itemized list of some of the expenses for the year. Supervisor Brownell requested a letter from the Church's attorney as to what the sale negotiations would be.

A motion was made to close the Public hearing by Councilman James Patsos and seconded by Councilman Rick Wadhams

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

**Privilege of the Floor:**

**Audit of Claims-** The bills have been reviewed by the board and are authorized to be paid as follows:

**Pre-Pays:** General \$17,013.69; Highway \$2,504.65.

**Paying Tonight:** General \$8,298.65; Highway \$2,113.27; Water District #1 \$223.25; Water District #2 \$119.50; Water District #3 \$69.60.

Motion made by Councilman James Patsos and seconded by Councilman Kyle Black accepting of paying the bills.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

A resolution was made to increase the budget line DA5112.2 for \$100,000.00 Chips Expenses transfer to the Highway department. A motion was made to approve the transfer by Councilman Rick Wadhams and seconded by Councilman Randy Wadhams

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

A transfer was requested from account DA5112.2 permanent improvements for \$30,000 to account DA5110.4 General repairs, also from account DA5112.2 Permanent repairs for \$5,000 to DA8130.4 Machinery Contractual. A motion was made by Councilman James Patsos to approve the transfer and seconded by Councilman Rick Wadhams.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

**Approval of Minutes:** Motioned made by Councilman James Patsos and seconded by Councilman Kyle Black to accept the minutes.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

**Town Clerk Report:** 10 Dog Licenses, 2 marriage licenses and 7 certified copies. A check for \$194.00 was given to the Town.

Motioned made by Councilman Rick Wadhams and seconded by Councilman Randy Wadhams to accept the Town Clerk report.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

**Committee Reports:**

**Water Committee:**

**Highway Committee:**

**Building committee**

**Dog Control:** Supervisor Brownell is looking into transferring the dog control responsibilities to Dallyn Jenkins from the Beverly Animal shelter

**Planning Committee:**

**Assessor Report:**

**Old BUSINESS:** The picnic went well. Councilman Kyle Black made a motion to write a thank you letter to Mr. Martin for allowing us to use his building. Councilman James Patsos seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Councilman Rick Wadhams asked how the conference call went with the Town's Lawyer, Mr. Graff, in regard to the North Seneca Ambulance request for monetary help. Mr. Graff wanted a call history for the Town of Junius, to determine the monetary percentage help. Supervisor Brownell explained that it would be based on the recyclable boxes listed in the town, actual homes. There will be more discussion.

**New Business:** Supervisor brought the letter from the NYS Association of Counties to the board's attention. Town and County elected officials urge Governor Hochul to veto the Election Bill. The Election bill would change all the elections to the Presidential years. Councilman Kyle black makes a motion to write a letter to Governor Hochul to veto the Election bill. Councilman Randy Wadhams second the motion.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

The Williamson Law Payroll support and The Williamson law Accounting and Budget support agreements need to be signed. Councilman Rick Wadhams made the motion to sign the agreements and Councilman Randy Wadhams made the motion to second it.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

**Executive Session:** Councilman Kyle Black made the motion to go into executive session for Personnel Highway Dept, Councilman Randy Wadhams second the motion.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Councilman Rick Wadhams made the motion to close the executive session, Councilman Kyle Black second the motion.

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

**Adjournment:** Councilman James Patsos motioned to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Randy Wadhams seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM

**VOTE:** Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Minutes recorded and submitted by Town Clerk

Colleen Smith