

TOWN OF BYRON BOARD MEETING
January 24, 2024

The Byron Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Candace Hensel at the Byron Town Hall, 7028 Byron Holley Road, Byron, New York at 7:02 p.m. with the following present:

Supervisor.....	Candace Hensel
Councilpersons.....	Jeff Thompson Nathan Knickerbocker
Highway Superintendent.....	David Leaton
Town Attorney	Bridget O’Toole
Absent	Councilman Dilcher Councilman Klycek

Public:

Steve Hohn	Krystyne Lang	Paul Lang	Lori Ivison	Steve Hohn
Kathy Doty	Steve Doty	Jim Lamkin	Mrs. Gonyea	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Hensel.

MINUTES: A MOTION was made by Councilman Thompson to table approval of the January 10th to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Knickerbocker and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Councilman Knickerbocker made a motion for a resolution to appoint Nelson Grim the Town of Byron Board of Assessment Review for a 5 year term. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

A motion was made by Councilman Knickerbocker to appoint Brian Thomson as substitute court security to provide fill-in coverage through December 31, 2024 at a rate of \$25/hr. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

RESOLUTION # 23:

Councilman Thompson offered a resolution to pay the following abstract from the Sewer Fund. The resolution was seconded by Councilman Knickerbocker and #carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Abstract #1.5 Vouchers 6, (Verizon - \$ 52.25) and 7, (National Grid - \$410.65) for a total of \$462.90

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

RESOLUTION # 24:

Councilman Knickerbocker offered a resolution to pay the following abstract from the General Fund. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Abstract 1.5 Vouchers 23-31 for a total of \$1,689.90

Supervisor Hensel provided an update on town happenings and vacancies. Applications are being received for the vacant positions of: Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerks, and Town Justices. We now have access to town computers and emails. The website is being updated and is working. Tax collection is proceeding nicely.

There was discussion as to the accuracy of the posted salary for the Town Clerk position.

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: All current as of now. December and November reports were combined. \$14,778.31 was collected and deposited in the Supervisor's fund.

FINANCIAL REPORT: no report

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

CEO/ZEO REPORT: A report was submitted and is not yet reviewed.

PARKS REPORT: no report

FIRE/EMS REPORT: no report

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve all reports. Councilman Knickerbocker seconded the motion and approved with the following vote.

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

A motion was made by Councilman Thompson to table the December Financial Report. It was seconded by Councilman Knickerbocker and carried with the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:

Supervisor Hensel presented sign-up sheets for committees for the board to review. Some committee lists had "At-Large" positions added.

Supervisor Hensel presented an update from MRB Group implying that tentatively all work will be done over the next three months.

Supervisor Hensel made a request that all agendas and meeting minutes be posted in a timely manner.

Supervisor Hensel gave an update on the water projects and the solar projects.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A request was made that the microphones be used in meetings.

A resident inquired if Attorney O'Toole's appointment was temporary or permanent. Supervisor Hensel replied that the appointment was permanent, but that the Attorney would not be needed at every meeting. Ms. O'Toole clarified that if she was needed and not available that there is another attorney in her office that could attend and will be fully up to speed on town affairs.

A question was asked as to how long it will be before we have someone in the Town Clerk's position and if the Tax Collector needed to be certified. Supervisor Hensel stated that review of applications was underway and interviews would be held over the next few weeks. Supervisor Hensel clarified that the Tax Collector does not need to be certified but they are bonded for that position.

ADJOURN:

Councilman Thompson made a motion to adjourn at 8:10PM. The motion was seconded by councilman Knickerbocker and carried by the following vote:

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Respectfully Submitted
Marilyn Weinert
Acting Secretary