

**TOWN OF SULLIVAN
TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 21, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sullivan convened at 5:00 p.m. on April 21, 2021 by Supervisor John Becker.

The meeting was held at the Town Office Building located at 7507 Lakeport Road, streamed via Zoom and YouTube. The link and passcode to join the meeting were posted on the Town's website for the public to join and the meeting was streamed live via YouTube.

Present were: Supervisor John Becker; Councilors John Brzuszkiewicz, Jeff Martin, Kerry Ranger, and Thomas Kopp; Attorney for the Town John Langey; Highway Superintendent Andy Busa; Comptroller Beth Ellis; Receiver of Taxes Katy Vanderwerken; and Deputy Town Clerk Jill Doss.

Also present were: Bridgeport Fire Chief Paul Smith; Chittenango Fire Chief Dombrowski; Jeffrey Taylor; Engineer Ed Reid; and Bruce Burke of PAC99.

Pledge to the flag was led by Supervisor Becker.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 7, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was duly made by Councilor Martin, seconded by Councilor Brzuszkiewicz and unanimously passed by the Board to approve the minutes for the April 7, 2021 Town Board meeting.

The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion:

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

BID OPENING - LAWN MOWING TOWN CEMETERIES

Two bids were received for lawn mowing services to the Town's cemeteries. Supervisor Becker opened the proposals at the meeting for lawn mowing of Town cemeteries:

Weekend Warriors of 1410 Kinderhook Road

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| 1. | North Road Cemetery | \$39.50 per visit |
| 2. | New Boston Road Cemetery | \$39.50 per visit |

Hodge Lawn & Landscape

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| 1. | North Road Cemetery | \$42.50 per visit |
| 2. | New Boston Road Cemetery | \$30.00 per visit |
| 3. | Smith Ridge Road Cemetery | \$40.00 per visit |

(As a note, the Smith Ridge Road cemetery was not listed in the advertised bid)

The Board members discussed the bids received. Upon the motion made by Councilor Martin, seconded by Councilor Kopp, the bid for mowing the North Road Cemetery was awarded to Weekend Warriors for \$39.50 per visit. Insurance coverage showing the Town as an additional insured shall be required. The bid for mowing New Boston Road Cemetery at \$30.00 per visit and Smith Ridge Road cemetery at \$40.00 per visit was awarded to Hodge Lawn & Landscape. Insurance coverage showing the Town of Sullivan

as an additional insured was required. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

BID OPENING FOR MOWING DILAPITATED PROPERTIES

No bids were received.

SULLIVAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONTRACT

The Board discussed the Sullivan Community Council ("SCC") Contract for the period covering both 2020 and 2021 (due to COVID-19). Lorie Davies from the Town Parks & Recreation has been working with Councilor Kopp and Comptroller Ellis and has reviewed the proposed document. Upon the motion made by Councilor Brzuszkiewicz, seconded by Councilor Martin, the Board approved the SCC Contract as presented and approves the execution of the Contract.

The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

PURCHASE OF TWO NEW FIRE TRUCKS

The Board discussed the purchase of two new fire trucks; one for Chittenango Fire Department and the second for Bridgeport Fire Department. The Town Board had previously discussed a cap for each Truck at \$650,000. Supervisor Becker reported that Colden Enterprises submitted bids as follows:

Chittenango Fire Department unit	\$648,093.00
Bridgeport Fire Department unit	\$657,217.00

Both Fire Chief Smith from Bridgeport Fire Department and Chief Dombrowski from the Chittenango Fire Department attended the meeting. Chief Smith stated that he understands the Bridgeport bid is over the cap that was set. He will make arrangements and speak with the vendor to see where some costs might be cut in the bid amount. Councilor Brzuszkiewicz commented that he appreciated the Fire Chiefs' input with this purchase. Chief Smith thanked the Board and commented he will see where cuts can be made to bring the cost down to the cap. Supervisor Becker thanked the two Chiefs and their Departments for their service and dedication to the Town of Sullivan and its residents. A question of when the units would be delivered was posed. The units would be delivered 390 days from the day of signing the contracts. Councilor Ranger asked which unit at Bridgeport Fire Department would be replaced. Chief Smith commented that B-1 Engine 3 (a 2003 truck).

Chief Dombrowski will contact the vendor about changing the cover letter to extend the pricing (as they had extended it until April 22, 2021). The Chief will have the re-issued and updated cover letter from Colden Enterprises forwarded to Comptroller Ellis' email.

Thereafter, the following resolution was offered by Councilor Kopp, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilor Martin, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department and the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department have each previously advised the Town Board of the Town of Sullivan of their continuing need to repair, replace and update their fleets of heavy fire equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs of the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department and the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department have previously advised of each Department's desire to acquire a new 2022 Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck) with specified equipment to replace used and worn-out similar pieces of fire equipment; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2015, the Town of Sullivan Town Board amended its Town of Sullivan Procurement Policy to allow for the purchase of equipment pursuant to GML §103(16); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said GML §103, the Town of Sullivan must ensure that the proposed purchase qualifies under GML §103(16), to wit:

- A. The contract involved must have been available for use by other governmental entities through the bid solicitation process;
- B. The specific contract must have been issued in accordance with the provisions of GML §103 or a similar public bidding law;
- C. The contract to be utilized must have been let to the lowest bidder or on the basis of Best Value in a manner consistent with GML §103;
- D. The solicitation of bids occurring pursuant to GML §103 must have contained the following elements:
 1. Public solicitation of bids or, in the case of Best Value, offers;
 2. Submission of sealed bids or offers through an analogous procedure to secure and preserve the integrity of the process and confidentiality of the bids or offers submitted;
 3. Preparation of a specification or a similar document that provides a common standard for bidders to offer to compete fairly;
 4. Award to the lowest bidder who materially and substantially met the bid specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department and the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department have conducted reasonable inquiries and searches relative to the desired new Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck) with specified equipment through various manufacturers and services over a significant period of time; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs of the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department and the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department have presented to the Town of Sullivan Town Board the results of their research and efforts to obtain a piggybacked price for said Fire Trucks and to achieve cost savings by the purchase of the Fire Trucks; and

WHEREAS, the Chiefs of the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department and the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department have submitted as part of their research bid packets utilized by the Fire Departments for the Fire Trucks, dated April 13, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the information provided relative to the proposed acquisitions discloses that the proposed vehicles are a “sole or single source” for such equipment; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchase price obtained through said method is estimated to be Six Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventeen and 00/100 Dollars (\$657,217.00) with specified equipment, as more fully set out said bid specifications for the new 2022 Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck) for the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department with the Town of Sullivan contribution of said purchase price not to exceed Six Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$650,000.00) (and the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department to cover the cost of the balance of said total purchase price); and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchase price obtained through said method is estimated to be Six Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Ninety-Three and 00/100 Dollars (\$648,093.00) with specified equipment, as more fully set out said bid specifications for the new 2022 Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck) for the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, such procurement constitutes a Type II action for purposes of State Environmental Quality Review and, as a result, no environmental impact is anticipated thus ending the environmental review process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Sullivan Town Board hereby authorizes the procurement of: (1) a new 2022 Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck) with the specified equipment and as described in the submitted bid specifications for the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department at a Town of Sullivan contribution to said purchase price not to exceed Six Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$650,000.00); and (2) a new 2022 Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck) with the specified equipment and as described in the submitted bid specifications for the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department at a cost not to exceed Six Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Ninety-Three and 00/100 Dollars (\$648,093.00); and it is further

RESOLVED that the Chiefs of the respective Volunteer Fire Departments are hereby authorized to place orders for the new 2022 Spartan Emergency Response Pumper Fire Apparatus (Fire Trucks) with the specified equipment from Colden Enterprises, as Authorized Dealer for Spartan ERV, subject to a final review of the contracts and purchase documents by the Town and the Town’s legal counsel at the amounts not to exceed those referenced above.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

DATED: April 21, 2021

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF MADISON)

I, the undersigned Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Sullivan, Madison County, New York, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY:**

That I have compared the foregoing Resolution with the original thereof on file in the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Sullivan, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting and that, pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law, said meeting was open to the general public.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town on April __, 2021.

JILL DOSS, Deputy Town Clerk

AUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL -SURPLUS EQUIPMENT SALE

Highway Superintendent Busa advised the Board members of the bid amounts for the various items of equipment that the Town had declared as surplus and placed for sale with Auctions International. Thereafter, the following action took place:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF TOWN OF SULLIVAN
SURPLUS EQUIPMENT THROUGH AUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL**

The following resolution was offered by Councilor Brzuszkiewicz, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilor Martin, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Town of Sullivan owns the following used and surplus equipment:

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| Lot 1 | Snow blower |
| Lot 2 | Walk behind brush cutter |
| Lot 3 | Ferris Mower |
| Lot 4 | Ferris Mower |
| Lot 5 | Dell monitors |
| Lot 6 | Dell monitors |
| Lot 7 | Chairs |
| Lot 8 | 2009 Ford F250 |
| Lot 9 | 2006 Chevy/with plow |
| Lot 10 | Gas arc welder |

which equipment is utilized by the Town of Sullivan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sullivan has advised that the equipment is dated and has advanced past its useful life for Town purposes such that it may be disposed; and

WHEREAS, the equipment is excess and surplus equipment and is not needed by the Town of Sullivan; and

WHEREAS, an analysis of the value of the equipment was undertaken by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has presently determined that the manner of sale of the equipment which is likely to facilitate the best price for the equipment is by way of listing said equipment with Auctions International (www.auctionsinternational.com), an online auction site, "as is" without any warranties, expressed or implied; and

WHEREAS, bids for the above equipment were received by the Town as follows:

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| Lot 1 | Snow blower | \$175 |
| Lot 2 | Walk behind brush cutter | \$800 |

Lot 3	Ferris Mower	\$6300
Lot 4	Ferris Mower	\$6100
Lot 5	Dell monitors	\$36
Lot 6	Dell monitors	\$11
Lot 7	Chairs	\$10
Lot 8	2009 Ford F250	\$7200
Lot 9	2006 Chevy/with plow	\$3650
Lot 10	Gas arc welder	\$790.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Sullivan hereby authorizes the sale of the above-referenced surplus equipment at the list high bid prices, without any warranties, express or implied; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED that the proceeds of said sale shall be deposited into the appropriate Town of Sullivan Fund, as required by law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

DATED: April 21, 2021

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF MADISON)

I, the undersigned Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Sullivan, Madison County, New York, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY:**

That I have compared the foregoing Resolution with the original thereof on file in the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Sullivan, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting and that, pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law, said meeting was open to the general public.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town on April __, 2021.

JILL DOSS, Deputy Town Clerk

HIGHWAY LAW §284 AGREEMENT DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the Highway Law §284 Agreement with Highway Superintendent Busa. CHIPS money was increased in this years' State budget. \$51,388.14 CHIPS and \$114,132.44 for Extreme Recovery and PaveNY for a total \$165,420.58. The Town budget for paving was \$535,000 with \$350,520.38 to be reimbursed to the Town and the Town would pick up the difference. Highway Superintendent Busa commented that it is hard to put a number on paving when putting the budget together as the Town doesn't

know for certain what the State will approve. He is currently waiting for a letter from the State (which is expected shortly) confirming the funding that will be provided to the Town. Once the official letter is received and the actual number is known, then a budget modification could be done at that time. The Town can't spend any funds until this letter arrives. Highway Superintendent Busa is alright with waiting for the letter and then making budget modifications at the May meeting. Councilor Kopp asked what the plan for paving was for this year. Highway Superintendent Busa reported that hot mix will be used for: Heathfield, Lonsdale, Ramsgate, East St, West Street, Larkin, Lake and Clay Hill Road which is approximately 15 miles. This will be discussed further at the May meeting.

HIGHWAY TRUCK PURCHASE

Supervisor Becker reported that there is a proposed purchase of a used highway truck from the Town of Verona; a 2015 Mack, in "as is" condition with a plow for \$125,000. Some of the funds for the purchase will come from equipment sold. Highway Superintendent Busa reported that the balance of the funds would come from his equipment fund. Upon the motion made by Councilor Martin, seconded by Councilor Ranger, the Board approved the purchase of a used 2015 Mack highway truck with plow equipment in "as is" condition, from the Town of Verona for \$125,000 to be funded by the sale of equipment and the balance from the Highway equipment fund. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

FIRE POLICE BODY CAMERAS

Supervisor Becker reported that the Fire Police have reported issues with people not obeying direction from the Fire Police at fire and accident scenes. Bridgeport Fire Department Chief Smith has asked if the Town would authorize the Fire Police having body cameras. Supervisor Becker referred for comment to Attorney Langey. Attorney Langey commented that the footage on the cameras is recorded and can become a public document. The fire police would have to know how to use the cameras properly and receive the necessary training in their operation. The Chief said the issue has been increasingly more prevalent with people not obeying directions from the Fire Police. The other Fire Chiefs have not weighed in on this issue. The generally Board thinks this is a good idea. The Board members spoke about developing a Policy. Councilor Kopp asked if it would be a Town or Fire Department policy. Attorney Langey commented that he would assist in developing a Policy for body cameras for the Fire Departments. The Town Board is not opposed to creating a policy.

HAMILTON BROWN BUSHNELL SHORE ROAD WATER DISTRICT

Supervisor Becker reported that easements and surveys for the project will be handled by John Dunkle of Dunn & Sgromo Engineers. He will be doing the consulting with the individual homeowners. There are twelve extra properties at the end of the road that will need to be addressed. Upon the motion made by Councilor Kopp, seconded by Councilor Brzuszkiewicz, the Town Board authorized execution of the Agreement with Dunn & Sgromo Engineers to begin working on consultations with homeowners regarding easements and surveys for the Hamilton Brown Bushnell Shore Road Water District including the twelve extra properties at the end of the road. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

PDD DISCUSSION - TAYLOR PROPERTY

Resident Jeff Taylor and Engineer Ed Reid, from GZA GeoEnvironmental of NY Engineers and Scientist, appeared before the Board to discuss a proposal by Mr. Taylor to create a high-end campground facility with a "Wild Animal Park theme" and a barn style banquet facility on a 118-acre parcel on New Boston Road owned by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Taylor asked the Board to consider changing the current zoning of Agricultural to Planned Development District ("PDD") to accommodate this development proposal. Mr. Taylor stated that there aren't a lot of neighbors in this area: the Chittenango Central School District Bus Garage and the ARISE at the Farm facility, as well as the land Mr. Taylor owns. Councilor Kopp asked how long Mr. Taylor anticipates that this will take to build. Mr. Taylor responded one to two years. Mr. Taylor stated that there would be no tents; only RVs and 51 smaller log-style cabins -- all sites with full hookup. Ed Reid, Engineer for Mr. Taylor, reviewed the proposed site drawings with the Board. Utilities have not been fully discussed or developed. The project is in the initial stages of planning. Mr. Reid commented that the plan is for on-site septic that would be designed in conformity with State Health regulations and codes. Attorney Langey commented that he can speak with Mr. Reid about Chapter 275 of the Town's Code (Planned Development District) and the narrative to supplement the application and what the statute covers. Mr. Taylor commented that he would like to undertake the project all at once, but would need to secure financing as the project moves through the review process. Mr. Reid commented that there will be 212 full hookup sites and 51 cabins with full hookup. The restaurant/banquet center would be located on the north side of the property. The Board asked Mr. Taylor about his previous plans to develop a site across from The Wild. Mr. Taylor commented that this current site lends itself better to this type of development because of the acreage (118 acres) as opposed to 10 acres and this site wouldn't impact as many neighbors. Councilor Martin commented that Supervisor Becker had abstained from Mr. Taylor's prior PDD discussion and will recuse himself for this application. Deputy Supervisor Martin asked if there was a motion to formally move this application to the Town Planning Board for further review and recommendation. Upon the motion made by Councilor Kopp, seconded by Councilor Ranger, the Town Board formally moved the application process for Mr. Taylor's request for PDD zoning and site plan review to the Town Planning Board. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Recused	--

PARK PERSONNEL ROSTER 2021

Supervisor Becker discussed with the Board members the pay rates and positions for the Parks & Recreation Program for 2021. Pay rates range from \$12.50 to \$17.00 per hour.

Coordinators

Mary Jo Champlin - Playground Coordinator \$17.00/Hour
 Andrea Stanek - Assistant Playground Coordinator \$14.50/Hour

Both Parks

Alyssa Kolb - Playground Rec. Aid - Both Parks \$12.50/Hour
Giuliana Farr - Playground Rec Aid - Both Parks \$12.75/Hour
Returner

Sullivan Park

Nathan Mariani - Playground Rec Aid - Sullivan Park \$12.50/Hour
Caleb LeBlanc - Playground Rec Aid - Sullivan Park \$12.50/Hour
Sarah Coles - Playground Rec Aid - Sullivan Park \$12.50/Hour

Chapman Park

Anna Spencer - Playground Rec Aid - \$12.50/Hour

Supervisor Becker commented that Lorie Davies is handling coordinating and organizing the programs. The Board would like to get a further update about the activities. Supervisor Becker will ask Ms. Davies to attend the next meeting. He commented that she has Soccer and Basketball programs planned, but a lot is dependent on the school schedule for the Fall and the COVID19 status. The outdoor programs are well along in planning and there will be a fishing derby in the Fall. With the improvements to the Pond and it has been stocked with bass with the hope that this will be a good event. Upon the motion made by Councilor Brzuszkiewicz, seconded by Councilor Martin, the Board approves the pay rates and positions outlined above for the 2021 Parks & Recreation programs. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

Supervisor Becker reviewed the proposed budget modifications presented by the Comptroller as noted below:

- 1) Increasing DA599 Appropriated Fund Balance for the amount of \$125,000.00 to DA5130.2 Highway Machinery Equipment. This is to purchase the 2015 Mack Dump truck that was not in the 2021 budget, from the Town of Verona as per the Highway Superintendents request. Upon the motion made by Councilor Ranger, seconded by Councilor Martin, the Board authorized the transfer as noted above. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion.

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

FIREFIGHTER APPLICATIONS

- 1) Supervisor Becker presented a membership application from the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for Wayne Miller of Chittenango NY. The Board members reviewed the information in the application. Upon the motion made by Councilor Kopp, seconded by Councilor Martin, the Board approved the membership application for Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for Wayne Miller. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion:

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

- 2) Supervisor Becker presented a membership application from the Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for Timothy Eastman of Chittenango NY. The Board members reviewed the information in the application. Upon the motion made by Councilor Martin, seconded by Councilor Brzuszkiewicz, the Board approved the membership application for Chittenango Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for Timothy Eastman. The following roll call vote was taken with no further discussion:

Thomas J. Kopp Jr.	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeffrey Martin	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Kerry Ranger	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John Brzuszkiewicz	Councilor	Voted	Yes
John M. Becker	Councilor	Voted	Yes

SUPERVISOR TOPICS

- 1) Supervisor Becker advised that the Town is waiting for an update on ACA money. There has been no word yet. They are currently awaiting guidance from the Treasury.
- 2) **Marijuana Dispensaries.** There was an article in Town Topics in regard to marijuana dispensaries. The split of revenues generated would be the State splits 12% with Towns receiving 8% and Counties receiving 1%. This issue can't be put on the ballot for a mandatory reference. The Town can only do an "opt out option" and a Local Law will need to be enacted prior to the end of 2021. The Town Board will have to decide whether to opt out. There have been several articles written in NYCOM and Association of Towns as well as other organizations. Supervisor Becker will ask the County about their perspective on the issue.
- 3) **Oot Letter - Trees on Whisper Ridge.** Supervisor Becker commented that a letter has been received from Tom Oot requesting the Town remove trees on the west side of Whisper Ridge.
- 4) As a reminder, Earth Day cleanup with BLCO is set for April 24. There will be a dumpster available for roadside pickup only. People can leave bags along the roadside for the Highway Department to pick up. This is not for house clean out, this is for trash along the roadsides only. No electronics or tires are to be placed in the dumpster.
- 5) **Fee Schedule for Codes Department.** Supervisor Becker asked if the Board had reviewed the proposed fee changes from the Code's Department. The Board discussed the fees as it pertains to solar farm fees - which is administered by the Codes Office and is labor intensive. Using a third party to review construction of solar farms was suggested. The Board also discussed that there were no changes with the sewer charges. Attorney Langey commented that he could provide a survey for the Board to look at in regard to fee schedules. The Board suggested that CEO Ball or CEO Costanzo attend the next meeting to discuss the proposed fee schedule further.

Highway Superintendent Busa thanked the Codes Office for sending the sewer applications his way. These have been helpful to his Department. He also commented that there will be trash bags available for Earth Day cleanup at Blanding Hardware.

Supervisor Becker advised that he recently received the COVID vaccine. He had delayed getting the vaccine, but decided after a few close acquaintances had experienced issues, he thought it was the right thing to do. He wasn't saying to get or not get the vaccine, just use common sense in making the decision.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m. upon the motion made by Councilor Martin, seconded by Councilor Kopp and unanimously passed by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill A. Doss
Deputy Town Clerk