

**Town of Henderson**  
**12105 Town Barn Rd.**  
**Henderson, NY 13650**  
**Town Board Meeting**  
**June 13, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Henderson, County of Jefferson and the State of New York held at 12105 Town Barn Rd.at 7:00PM, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.

PRESENT:	Edwin Glaser	----	Supervisor
	Bryan Flagg	----	Councilperson
	Matthew Owen	----	Councilperson
	Carol Hall	----	Councilperson
	Torre Parker Lane	----	Councilperson
	Wendy Flagg	----	Town Clerk

A moment of silence held for Joe Martelle, Donna Martelle’s husband. Donna is the bookkeeper and Supervisor Glaser’s Clerk for the Town

**Public Comments regarding old business:** Ginger Cook: Special meeting for Northern Boarders Regional Commission grant was the deadline met and how much did it cost the Town? Deadline was met and no cost to the Town.  
Claude Curley made comments during that Special meeting saying negative things in regard to the sewer system there are many people in Town who feel the same way.

MOTION

**MINUTES**

On a motion of Councilperson Owen, second by Councilperson Parker Lane following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5                    Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Parker Lane, Hall  
                  Nays 0

Motion to approve minutes from May 9, 2023 Town Board meeting.

MOTION

**MINUTES**

On a motion of Councilperson Parker Lane, second by Councilperson Hall following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5                    Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Parker Lane, Hall  
                  Nays 0

Motion to approve minutes from May 24, 2023 Special Town Board meeting.

MOTION

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

On a motion by Councilperson Parker Lane, seconded by Councilperson Flagg, the following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5                    Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
                  Nays 0

Resolved to authorize payment of abstract #5P include vouchers 00363 for a total amount of \$6,164.00.

MOTION

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

On a motion by Councilperson Parker Lane, seconded by Councilperson Flagg, the following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5                    Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
                  Nays 0

Resolved to authorize payment of abstract #6 include vouchers 00366-00435 for a total amount of \$83,668.56.

**Summary by Payable Account**

<u>Payable Acct</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
General	\$24,368.05
Highway	\$22,854.29
Water Dist. 1	\$3,900.11
Water Dist. 2	\$5,412.59
Special Lighting Dist.	\$502.28
Trust & Agency	\$1024.24
Sewer Capital Fund	\$25,607.00

MOTION

**SUPERVISOR REPORT**

On a motion by Councilperson Hall, second by Councilperson Parker Lane the following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5                    Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
                  Nays 0

Motion to accept May Supervisor’s report as presented by Supervisor Glaser.

Town Board members were provided with a copy of the monthly revenues and appropriations report.

Sewer update by Pat Scordo a public information session will be scheduled for July 13, 2023 from 6-9 at the community building for progress report and questions about the sewer project. A preview information sheet and flow chart have been provided to the Board members for review and questions. Still working on raising BIL score with EFC by providing dye sample testing on several properties to prove that seepage is occurring. DEC has been very supportive of phasing this large of a project and encourages us to take this route and break up sewer project into two different phases so we can go after funding for both.

Supervisor Glaser asked the Board's permission to begin talks with Jefferson County Highway about the taking over of County Route 123 as the Town will become owner of the road after the sewer project is complete. Because of the legalities of the process, it is better to start talks early so it does not get dragged out long after project is done. Board agrees to allow Supervisor to begin discussions with County Highway Superintendent.

Water Tower inspection and cleaning by Liquid Engineering were discussed to have perform the work. Greg Ingerson, water infrastructure holder for the Town recommended them as the only company that performs these such services in the area and are highly recommended by the Department of Health. They schedule several appointments in an area and split the travel cost amongst those who have service done. The Department of Health will need to be notified when inspection is being done so they may send a representative to observe.

#### MOTION

#### **LIQUID ENGINEERING TO PERFORM WATER TOWER INSPECTION**

On a motion by Councilperson Hall, second by Councilperson Owen the following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5            Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
                 Nays 0

Town Board of the Town of Henderson accepts proposal from Liquid Engineering to perform inspection and reporting of water tower at a cost of \$5950.00 or Inspection, cleaning and reporting, if cleaning is necessary, at a cost of \$7920.00.

Jerry Tackley, represented the Men's Club, asked Board's permission for building a 4x8 scoreboard for the baseball field on the Town property in remembrance of Dr. Ronald Peterson from donations received on his behalf. Board is in favor of the project and asks for updates as project progresses.

Tammy Caster and Susan Ondrasek represented the New York Citizens Audit who is a citizen's group organized for the purpose of performing an open- source audit of the New York State Board of Elections. They presented material to the Board members on their New York's 2020 General Election: A study in deficits. The New York Citizens Audit

asked the Board to review material and adopt a resolution to support the request for an audit of the New York State 2022 General Election.

Anllana Jakubowski, representative from John Grey Insurance asked the Board for permission to set up a tent at Town Boat Launch on weekend to promote her business and offer services over the summer. Board will discuss but is concerned with legality of this and everybody asking to do the same and having it get out of control.

Michael Stoner asked Board if he could begin process to form a Local Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in the Town of Henderson due to the decline of outside area Post. Board asks he keeps them updated on progress of project.

Highway garage lights to be rewired and rebate for replacement of lights to be put on hold for more bids in project as requested by Board members.

Proposal for road work on Windmill Rd given to Board to be paid through CHIPS funds.

#### MOTION

#### **WINDMILL ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

On a motion by Councilperson Parker Lane, second by Councilperson Owen the following motion was.

ADOPTED    Ayes 5                    Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
                  Nays 0

Town Board of the Town of Henderson accepts Suit-Kote proposal of \$236,604.62 for construction cost on Windmill Rd.to be paid by available CHIPS funds. Road was stated in 2023 284 agreement.

Discussion on raising rates for trash bags will be placed on hold until the Sanitation Department can visit Rodman landfill. Department has been busy with seasonal water hook ups this month.

Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing will be held on July 11, 2023 at 7:00PM to review power point program per requirements of grant.

Revisions for proposed Zoning Laws have been forwarded to Board members for review. Upon agreement proposal will be sent to the County in July for 239M review and Public Hearing can be scheduled after County comments have been received and reviewed by Board.

County has Town of Henderson on calendar for 2024 Comprehensive agreement review.

Concerns Town Board members and other Town Officials:  
Councilperson Owen went to candidates and incumbents' meetings and transparency seems to be big issue therefore would like to propose a Resolution as follows:

## **AFFIRMING COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENT AND OPEN GOVERNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Town has access to various records including abstracts, supervisor's reports, proposed legislation, applications, maps, site plans, SEQR forms, committee records, correspondence and other documents prior to Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Henderson wishes to support and promote transparent government.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Henderson maintains a regularly and routinely updated website that utilizes a high-speed internet connection.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board of the Town of Henderson, New York as follows:

The Town of Henderson shall share, via its website no less than twenty-four hours prior to any meeting of one of the Town's Municipal Boards, any agency record, proposed resolution, law, rule, regulation, policy or any amendment thereto, that is scheduled to be the subject of discussion by any municipal board during an open meeting.

Resolution was proposed by Councilperson Owens, no second was given therefore resolution was not passed.

Councilpersons Hall and Parker Lane both feel the Town's attorney needs to review this resolution before it is offered and/or considered.

Councilperson Flagg said updates to the website have been completed and have been sent to Board for review upon comments the site will be released by North Shore Solutions. Met with Fire Commissioners on July 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss possible Fireman's exemption the requirements set forth by Commissioners will be discussed at their July meeting. Jefferson County Legislators will hold discussions as to if County will be participating in exemption will be discussed at their July meeting as well.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Robert Whiteman described the meaning of transparency to Board members.

John Culkin Regarding Transparency such as abstracts and drafts is a very slippery slope, Final approved documents should only be released.

Ginger Cook asked what the cost of the water tank inspection would be, Supervisor Glaser answered.

Robert Whiteman Draft legislation is draft legislation those items need to be marked "Draft."

Patrick Grimshaw inquired about his rental of Town Lands in regard to the sewer project and when will he know if he can rent again. Has anybody documented being ill because of the lake waters?

Lindsey Witmer when will sewer project be finished, Pat Scordo answered after bid is complete, we will have a better idea, two-year projected project.

More information on the website about sewer project is needed.

Ginger Cook is NEXAMP keeping Town informed of when they will be up and running and how is \$50,000.00 community funds going to be spent.

It's a good thing to fix Windmill Road

Judy Sanders NEXAMP planted trees and shrubs, but new ones are starting to die off as well, Enforcement Officer Sheldon will be asked to keep an eye on progress.

MOTION

**ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Councilperson Hall, second by Councilperson Parker Lane the following motion was.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
Nays 0

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss on going Teamster Contract

MOTION

**EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Councilperson Parker Lane, second by Councilperson Owen the following motion was.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Glaser, Flagg, Owen, Hall, Parker Lane  
Nays 0

Motion to exit executive session.

No further business to discuss a motion by Councilperson Parker Lane second by Councilperson Owen the meeting was adjourned. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy Flagg / Town Clerk/Collector

**All Town meetings held at  
12105 Town Barn Rd., Henderson, NY 13650**

June 21	(Wednesday)	Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting	6:00PM
June 22	(Thursday)	Recreation Committee Meeting	7:00PM
June 27	(Tuesday)	Primary Voting	6:00AM – 9:00PM
July 03	(Monday)	NO COURT	
July 04	(Tuesday)	4th of July **Town Offices & Recycling closed**	
July 11	(Tuesday)	Planning Board Meeting	5:00PM
July 11	(Tuesday)	Public Hearing/Town Board Meeting	7:00PM
July 13	(Thursday)	Informational Meeting on Sewer Project	6:00PM
		**AT COMMUNITY BUILDING**	
July 19	(Wednesday)	Zoning Board of Appeals Hearings	6:00PM
July 20	(Thursday)	Recreation Commission Meeting	7:00PM

