

**TOWN OF SARANAC
BOARD MEETING
August 26, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the presiding officer at the
Town of Saranac Town Hall

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Timothy R. Napper, Supervisor	X	
Michele Petrashune, Councilor	X	
Tracy Eggleston, Councilor	X	
James Terry, Councilor	X	
Conner Perry, Councilor	X	

Also in attendance: Steve McKenzie, Maitland Root, Ray LeDuc Jr., Jacob LeDuc, Melvin (Buck) Terry, Mark White, Barry Newcombe, Louis Plante and Lisa Racette.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **This meeting is being recorded.**

3. **General Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor – none offered.**

4. **Correspondence**
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.

5. **Supervisor's Report**
 - A. NYSERDA Grant – The Supervisor presented the one proposal that was received to NYSERDA for the heat pumps and is hoping to get more estimates. We may need to spend \$500 on an engineering work up to qualify for a rebate.
 - B. Bicentennial -We are still looking for volunteers to help at the event. The permitting process for the parade was very difficult. Stewarts has donated a large amount of ice cream which may heavily impact the local business who sells ice cream. We expect to have the stonework at the Town Green finished by Sept. 7th.
 - C. IT/ Phones/ Copier – We are hoping to meet soon with Layer Eight.
 - D. Resolutions on Prison Reuse – A resolution was forwarded to the board on the reuse of closed prison facilities. Resolution was passed unanimously. We intend to forward it to the elected officials indicated by the review board.
Resolution 123-2024 – Motion was made to support the proposed resolution on the reuse of closed prison facilities. Motion made by Tracy Eggleston, second by James Terry – Roll call taken – All in favor.
 - E. Standish Playground – The new playground for Standish has been installed. Painting of other structures has occurred. We are still waiting for the mulch. As the site is very wet, work on the basketball court may be delayed until next year. The expected detour next summer presents further reason to proceed with a fence near the road. The concrete for the swing set in Redford to expected to be installed tomorrow.

F. Bridge Audit – The bridge audit has been completed with no irregularities found.

G. Professional ID's – Discussion was held as to whether certain Town employee's need professional identification cards. After some discussion it was determined that we should have ID cards for our Town employees. We are hoping the Saranac Fire Dept. can help us with this issue. James will check with Nancy Clancy.

H. Dumpster – A report of an individual throwing garbage in the Townhall dumpster was received. It was decided that we should reach out to the Sheriff for guidance on how to handle the situation.

I.

J.

K.

L.

6. Highway

A. Live Edge Grant – The equipment has arrived to allow us to recover most of the cost of equipping an additional truck with a live edge plow. The installation needs to be completed before we can access the grant funding.

B. Unifirst Grant-The Supervisor indicated that the uniform route man had called indicating we should have already signed the new contract. He was informed that board approval was necessary to approve the contract. An analysis of the proposed contract showed substantial increases in many items. Review of recent bills indicated an even larger increase. A phone call to the local management resulted in him indicating that the prices should not have increased and that he would deliver a revised contract.

C. Paving – Hugh Heron and the Nashville Road have been completed. We will need to separate the resources used to facilitate tracking FEMA versus CHIPS projects. It is expected the paving in Redford will be next.

D. Equipment – The backhoe and the surplus playground animals have been listed for auction. Work on the motor for the Volvo truck has been very slow but it appears to now be moving forward.

7. Reports

A. Town Clerk

B. Water districts –

a. Redford- RAFA Service Call – We are trying to schedule a service call with RAFA.

b. Standish – No issues

c. Saranac – No issues

C. Town Crier –. Deadline is September 13th.

D. Tax Collector – Indicated we received a higher amount than normal for late fees.

E. Assessor –

F. Code Officer –

G. Dog Control Officer – Lou indicated he would like to have a facility to kennel dogs overnight, especially in the wintertime as roads to Tri-lakes could be treacherous. Many times, the owner is found the same night through social media or word of mouth.

H. Community Outreach program –

- I. Building --
- J. Historian – Meeting scheduled for September 5th at the Town Hall to finalize plans for the Bicentennial celebration.
- K. Recreation -
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
- L. Capital projects –

- 8. **Resolution 124 -2024 - Authorization to Pay Audited Warrant dated Augst 26, 2024. Motion by James, second by Michele – All in favor**
- 9. **Resolution 125-2024 -Accept the minutes of the previous meeting dated August 12, 2024. Motion by Tracy, second by Tim – All in favor**

10. **Resolution -2024**

11. **Executive Session:**

12. **Other**

13. **Unfinished Business**

14. **New Business**

15. **Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor – None offered.**

16. **Adjournment @6:50 PM – Motion by Tracy, second by Connor – All in favor**

Board Meeting September 9, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall
Board Meeting September 23, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall

Respectfully submitted,


Debbie Pellerin

Town Clerk