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A REGULAR MEETING of the town board of the Town of Day, county of Saratoga, State of New York, was held in the Day Town Hall, 1650 North Shore Rd, Hadley, NY 12835 on December 11, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Diana Edwards at 7:00pm with the following answering roll call: Supervisor Diana Edwards, Councilman Curt Schreiner, Councilwoman Lorraine Newton, Councilman Joseph Flacke, Highway Superintendent Lehman Allen Jr and Attorney Matt Fuller.

Motion made by Curt Schreiner, 2nd by Lorraine Newton to **approve** the Town Board meeting minutes of November 13, 2023 and Budget workshop meeting minutes of October 10, 2023.

Ayes: Councilman Joseph Flacke, Supervisor Diana Edwards, Councilwoman Lorraine Newton and Councilman Curt Schreiner.

Carried: 4-0

Motion made by Lorraine Newton, 2nd by Curt Schreiner to **approve** vouchers presented for payment.

Pre-Audits:

Highway #407-410 \$8,475.04
General #419-429 \$8,389.05

Regular vouchers:

Highway #248-264 \$24,351.27
General #264-280 \$15,282.87

Ayes: Councilman Joseph Flacke, Supervisor Diana Edwards, Councilwoman Lorraine Newton and Councilman Curt Schreiner.

Carried: 4-0

Motion made by Curt Schreiner, 2nd by Lorraine Newton to **approve** November 2023 reports from Town Justice, Town Supervisor, Assessor, Code Enforcer and Town Clerk.

Ayes: Supervisor Diana Edwards, Councilman Joseph Flacke, Councilman Lorraine Newton and Councilman Curt Schreiner.

Carried: 4-0

Reports of Committees:

Dave Cox stated the Black River Regulating District didn't have a meeting for December 2023. Dave did review the meeting that took place on November 9, 2023 and they did consider a permit that was previously revoked, 377 and 379 South Shore Rd. They finally decided the retaining wall would be allowed for 377 South Shore Rd and declined a retaining wall for 379 South Shore Rd. The permit is still revoked until the wall is

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removed and then the permit will be restored. Currently the lake level is 1'5" high. The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2024.

Councilwoman Lorraine Newton was unable to attend the Veterans ceremony that took place. Supervisor Diana Edwards stated Senator Tedisco came to the Town of Day town hall to give out the liberty metal for Richard Trager. Gary Newton did attend the ceremony in Lorraines place. The ceremony was very touching and an honor to give the award for Richard Tragers wife, Judy Trager. The highway department was able to attend as well as some others. The flag that they flew at the last ceremony was also given to Richards wife. Councilwoman Lorraine Newton stated if anyone was interested in the wreath laying at the Saratoga cemetery, it will take place this weekend. Wreaths will be placed on the graves.

Councilman Joseph Flacke stated the bids for the roofing project will go back out to bid on January 2, 2024. The roofing bids will be due by February 8, 2024 and awarded at the regular board meeting on February 12, 2024 at 7:00pm. An ad will be placed in the Edinburg newsletter, Facebook and the Post Star. May 31, 2024 will be the date for the project to be completed.

Motion made by Curt Schreiner, 2nd by Lorraine Newton to move forward with the roofing project.

Ayes: Councilman Joseph Flacke, Councilman Curt Schreiner, Supervisor Diana Edwards and Councilwoman Lorraine Newton.

Carried: 4-0

Councilman George Lembo was unable to attend the board meeting, which he did speak to Supervisor Diana Edwards regarding a Historical Society. George stated in order to form a Historical Society it's a lot more involved, and it would be to much to take on at this time. So George suggested a Friends of the Day museum so more activities can take place there and get the museum up and running a little better.

Highway Superintendent Lehman Allen Jr wanted to thank the Saratoga County Soil and Water Department for hydroseeding the ditches and shared slopes for the Military Rd project that took place, this was done at no cost to the town. The Highway department will be getting two more carbine blades, which cleans the roads 30% more cleaner and should result in less salt usage. Lehman said he is trying different things for the Road Salt Reduction Salt Force. Currently the town is using a salt/sand mix which reduces the salt use considerably. The more sand than salt used results in less salt

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contaminating our water. Leonard Allen and Mark Gilbert attended a seminar for DOT in Ballston Spa which was for state funding for large projects. Leonard and Mark will be attending 3 more meetings in 2024 for drainage and ditch systems. Nicholas Bourdeau recently passed his class B CDL license, he was trained by a BOCES instructor as well as Lehman and will be moving to a MEO position. Tony Ballestero is a recent new employee, he is an experienced CDL driver and happy to have him. A new employee is lined up to take Leonard Allens place at the beginning of January 2024.

Correspondence:

The letter from New York State Department of Transportation was sent back to the town in regards to the speed limit reduction that was requested. The speed limit of 25mph requested was denied by the state. Being not populated enough, it was suggested by Lehman to reapply in the late spring when seasonal residents are here.

Chester Johnson resigned from the cemetery clerk and is a part time paid position. Chester will be missed and has done a lot for the town. Supervisor Diana Edwards suggested Rodney Haffner who currently works buildings and grounds part time for the town to take over the cemetery position. He is already in our system, it will save on workmans compensation, etc. The board decided to move forward with the appointment.

Motion made by Joseph Flacke, 2nd by Curt Schreiner to approve and appoint Rodney Haffner to cemetery clerk.

Ayes: Councilwoman Lorraine Newton, councilman Curt Schreiner, Supervisor Diana Edwards and Councilman Joseph Flacke.

Old Business:

Supervisor Diana Edwards stated the broadband study has forms online that can be filled out. We also have it posted on the town website, printed forms and on the towns facebook page. The more people to fill the forms, the better. We should hear something back by the end of February on what options there will be.

The local law for solid waste disposal is in review, more work needs to be done on that so it will be tabled until January of 2024.

Old Business:

Cyber security policy is in place and some changes may take place in January at the organizational meeting. The board had a chance to review the policy and was fine with the policy.

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Motion made by Curt Schreiner, 2nd by Lorraine Newton to approve the cyper security policy.

Ayes: Councilman Jospeh Flacke, Supervisor Diana Edwards, Councilwoman Lorraine Newton and Councilman Joseph Flacke.

Carried: 4-0

The town clerk will be added to the cyber security policy as a coordinator.

Public Input:

Cheryl Allen was concerned on the cyber security policy, why the town would need to know certain personal information regarding religion, sexual preference, medical conditions etc. Councilman Curt Schreiner his impression is if the town has any of that personal information, the town would not give out that information to anyone. Cheryl feels that should not even be listed in the policy. Cheryl also said there's something called contractors bidding, where most towns place the bids they are having on that and it's a huge network to get contractors to see. Cheryl feels that job openings should be advertised to allow people to apply for jobs instead of just automatically appointing someone, which gives no one else who may be interested a chance. Cheryl feels that if a job opening is available and its posted and no one applies, then at that point appoint someone.

Motion made by Joseph Flacke, 2nd by Lorraine Newton to approve adding Applecreek Lane and Cemetery Road to Highway Inventory with changes and put together by the Attorney Matt Fuller to revise the Law.

Ayes: Supervisor Diana Edwards, Councilman Curt Schreiner, Councilman Curt Schreiner, Councilman Joseph Flacke and Councilwoman Lorraine Newton.

Carried: 4-0

Resolution #2023-67 To approve adding Applecreek Lane and Cemetery Road to Highway Inventory.

Resolution to Repealing and Replacing Resolution #2021-40, adding Applecreek Lane and Cemetery Road to the Town of Day Highway inventory.

Whereas, the Town Board of the Town of Day previously adopted resolution 2021-40 regarding Applecreek Lane and Cemetery Road; and

Whereas, the Town Board wishes to appeal resolution 2021-40 and replace it with a resolution adding and above reference highways add to the Towns official highway inventory.

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Now therefore be it:

Resolved, that resolution 2021-40 is hereby repealed; and be it further

Resolved, that the following highways are added to the Towns highway inventory under the full care, maintenance and supervision of the Town of Day to be open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, except when closed or limited pursuant to applicable law:

1. Applecreek Lane, beginning at its intersection with Walter Maxfield Road and ending at its dead end terminus, and being 0.07 miles in length;
2. Cemetery Road, beginning at its intersection with Walter Maxfield Road and ending at its intersection with Saratoga County Route 4 and being 0.16 miles in length; and be it further

Resolved, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Harry Brennan wanted to thank Curt Schreiner and Lorraine Newton for serving several years on the town board.

The special meeting is scheduled for Thursday December 28, 2023 at 10:00am to audit the remaining bills for the year, and review the rates for the cyber policy insurance. The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2024 at 7:00pm.

The town board presented plaques to Lorraine Newton and Curt Schreiner and thanked them for their service and dedication.

Superintendent Lehman Allen Jr and Town Clerk Carol Vaillancourt are both at the end of their terms and a retirement party is taking place Friday December 15, 2023 at 11:30am for anyone who would like to join us.

The organizational meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2024 at 9:00am.

Lorraine Newton wanted to thank Diana Edwards and since Diana was elected, she did learn a lot within those 2 years. As a board she felt a lot was accomplished.

Motion made by Joseph Flacke, 2nd by Curt Schreiner to Adjourn the regular board meeting at 7:29pm.

Ayes: Councilman Curt Schreiner, Councilman Joseph Flacke, Councilwoman Lorraine Newton and Supervisor Diana Edwards.

Carried: 4-0

Deputy Clerk,
Tracy Ladd