

**TOWN OF HORSEHEADS
TOWN BOARD
MAY 25, 2022
8:30 A.M.**

The second monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Horseheads was held at the above date at the Town Hall, 150 Wygant Road, Horseheads, NY 14845.

Members Present: Donald J. Fischer, Supervisor; Stephen E. Wilber, Carl R. Lewis, Sr., and Gary H. Riopko, Donald W. Zeigler, Councilmen.

Members Absent:

Others Present: Nancy Rohde, Town Clerk; John Mustico, Town Attorney, Cathy Wood, Deputy Town Clerk, Marty Vanderhoff, Highway Superintendent, and Mark Margeson, 5th District Legislature.

At 8:30 A.M. Supervisor Fischer welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

Supervisor Fischer began the discussion regarding the possibility of obtaining a person to head up youth court and youth employment for the Town. The first person they reached out to discuss this with is no longer interested. Supervisor Fischer said he welcomed Board Members comments with regard to the need for Youth Court and Youth Employment in the Town of Horseheads, and he also stated that he will continue to research community interest, and what it would entail for the Town, by contacting others in this field and anyone else the Board may suggest.

At this portion of the meeting, a motion was made by Mr. Wilber and seconded by Mr. Lewis to add Highway Employment, the Direct Energy Contract and Fire Districts Survey to the agenda.

Marty Vanderhoff began explaining he received a resignation letter from Brenton Austin and will need to hire someone with CDL licensing to fill that position. The hourly rate is to be determined.

Resolution #87 of 2022

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT MARTY
VANDERHOFF TO HIRE A FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE**

Resolution by Mr. Riopko, seconded by Mr. Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent Marty Vanderhoff is granted permission to fill the vacancy of Brenton Austin and hire a CDL qualified full-time person in the highway department.

Ayes: Riopko, Lewis, Wilber, Zeigler and Fischer. Nays: None.

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At this portion of the meeting, Supervisor Fischer explained the Town's contract with Direct Energy is expiring, December 31, 2022. The current Direct Energy rate is .05885 per kw. Supervisor Fischer is receiving calls from a different energy supplier and will investigate lower rates. This item will carry to the June 8, 2022 meeting.

At this portion of the meeting, Don Fischer explained he received an e-mail questionnaire/survey request, regarding declining numbers/interest of volunteer fireman. Supervisor Fischer forwarded the survey questionnaire to all Town Board members and encouraged their participation.

Grievance Day was May 24, 2022 from 3:00pm to 8:00pm. Supervisor Fischer and Councilman Steve Wilber both stopped in and spoke with Assessor Teresa Lyons to see how the process was going. All went very well. Due to the knowledge and organization of the Assessor's Department and the assistance from all Town departments, the 2022 revaluation was a success.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Lewis, and seconded by Mr. Wilber to adjourn at 9:12 A.M.

Ayes: Riopko, Lewis, Wilber and Fischer. Nays: None.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy C. Rohde, Town Clerk