

TOWN OF HORSEHEADS
TOWN BOARD
July 28, 2021
8:00 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 Fischer, Supervisor; Carl R. Lewis, Sr., Stephen E. Wilber and Donald W. Zeigler, Councilmen

Members Absent: Gary H. Riopko, Councilman

Others Present: Nancy Rohde, Town Clerk; John P. Mustico, Town Attorney, Marty Vanderhoff, Highway Superintendent, Mark Margeson, 5th district Legislator and Gretchen Deglau. Via zoom: Mark Ruhnke with NY Power Authority, Jack Furlong with NYSEG and Lindsay Donnelly, (subcontractor) for NY Power Authority.

Supervisor Fischer called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

First the Highway Superintendent, Marty Vanderhoff explained that he had two single-axle trucks that he would like to replace. He uses them often and they seem to be rusting and he would like to replace them. The problem is that even if they were to get them today, they are so backed up but it would be 2023 before they can get new trucks. Elmira Heights may be willing to buy one of the trucks, he will look into this.

Supervisor Fischer advised him to get together with Councilman Lewis and look this over and get back to the board with their findings. This will then be discussed at the first meeting in August.

Next, Supervisor Fischer spoke with the Board regarding a program called Heat Smart. This program would allow residents to upgrade their homes for more efficient and environmentally helpful solutions to their home-energy by applying for grant funds. They need a resolution by the Board to continue with this service for the residents. The only cost to the Town could be advertisements if the Town chooses and they would like to put this on our website. They would like this to be put on the August 11, 2021 Town Board meeting. The website would show a link to a webinar that the residents can register for to learn more.

At this portion of the meeting, Tom Nagle and Steve Wilber spoke with the Board on updates on the LED street-lighting for the Town. Contracts have been signed with the NYPA (New York Power Authority). Not only will they be replacing the lights with better quality and efficient lighting but a lot of the current street lights are not lighting areas properly because of placement and obstruction by foliage. Correction of this is also worked into the cost.

They were then joined with Mark Ruhnke, Lindsay Donnelly, and Jack Furlong via zoom for a presentation on the NY Power Authority's energy efficient program for Chemung County on LED street lighting upgrades.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, as motion was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Wilber to adjourn at 10:05 A.M.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy C. Rohde, Town Clerk