

TOWN OF FRIENDSHIP
MAY 17, 2023
7PM

Supervisor Hall calls meeting to order.

Pledge of allegiance observed by all.

Roll call: Supervisor Russell Hall-present
Councilperson Carolyn Carney-present
Councilperson: Linda Mascho-present
Councilperson: Steve Ritter-present

Also present: Patricia Schurr, Town Clerk

Assemblage: Fred Cook, Jim Monheim, Karl Kruger, Dell & Michell Baker, Mark Voorhies.

Motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 19, 2023 offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

Motion to approve the Supervisor's Report from April 2023, offered by Steve Ritter, seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

Motion to approve the audited bills for the month of April 2023 in the amount of \$89,960.74, offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Steve Ritter.

Roll call: Carolyn Carney-aye
Linda Mascho-aye
Steve Ritter-aye
Russell Hall-aye

SUPERVISOR'S CONCERNS

#1.-1ST AMENDMENT AUDITS-There is a man going around to different Town Halls/public buildings and videoing everyone and everything in the offices. This happened to Franklinville. You cannot ask them to leave.

#2- New York-Kathy Hochul is sending the immigrants they received to State Colleges for the Summer, one being Alfred State, if they are still there come Sept. then they will be sent to state Lands in FEMA Housing.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

A person wants their name not included in the minutes from April's Minutes. He does not want his name in the minutes.

Motion to Amend and redact a person's name from April's public minutes, offered by Linda Mascho, Seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

Motion to approve the minutes for the public as redacted for April, offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

Steve Ritter questioned the building being constructed at the sewer plant. This building was never discussed but it is going up. If it was part of the other equipment when talking funding on the bar screen, it should have been brought up. Where is the money coming from to pay for it? The Supervisor advised he agreed and would talk to Oakley about it.

The American Flags that go up are in bad shape, the Town is in need of new Flags, as well as the Christmas decorations. Question as to funding. Supervisor Hall suggested maybe a decoration committee.

It was brought up that Grievance is June 1st and the notice to the public needed to be out there 2 weeks prior, also that the Grievance Board could use alternates.

Motion to approve the Friendship American Legion to hold their Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 29, 2023 at 10:00 am; parade to start in front of the United Church of Friendship and proceed to the Friendship Library, offered by Steve Ritter, seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

RESOLUTION 11-2023

A RESOLUTION FOR FAIR HOUSING PLAN AND FAIR HOUSING OFFICER

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Friendship, New York conducted in the GAR Hall(Island Park) on May 17, 2023.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Town of Friendship Fair Housing Plan, the Town Board of the Town of Friendship shall appoint a Fair Housing Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Friendship Linda Mascho be and is hereby designated as the Town of Friendship's Housing Officer, and Carolyn Carney as alternate and said officer will:

1. Post Fair Housing and Affirmative Action posters in the Town Hall.
2. Place Fair Housing advertisements in official newspaper(s).
3. Post Fair Housing information on the Town's website.
4. Document housing discrimination complaints on a standard form.
5. Forward copies of all complaints to and, when appropriate, consult with the Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity Division of the HUD Office in Buffalo and/or the New York State Division of Human Rights in Rochester.
6. Compile information about fair housing-related services available to Town residents.
7. Host trainings for both residents and public and private stakeholders to promote information sharing among all interested parties.

Above Resolution offered by Carolyn Carney, seconded by Steve Ritter.

Roll call vote: Carolyn Carney-aye

Linda Mascho-aye

Steve Ritter-aye

Russell Hall- aye

(requirement for CDBG Water Study)

RESOLUTION 12-2023

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SECTION 504 GRIEVANCE POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE II OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

Town of Friendship

SECTION 504 GRIEVANCE POLICY

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the Town of Friendship will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, program, or activities.

Employment: Town of Friendship does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title I of the ADA.

Effective Communication: Town of Friendship will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in Town of Friendship programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: Town of Friendship will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in Town of Friendship offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Town of Friendship should contact the office of the Town Supervisor at 4 East Main Street, Friendship, New York 14739, (585) 973-7580 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Town of Friendship to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Town of Friendship is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Town Supervisor at 4 East Main Street, Friendship, New York 14739, (585) 973-7580.

Town of Friendship will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

Above Resolution offered by Steve Ritter, seconded by Carolyn Carney.

Roll call vote: Carolyn Carney-aye

Linda Mascho-aye

Steve Ritter-aye

Russell Hall-aye

(requirement for CDBG Water Study)

Public Works concerns:

RCAP-Catherine Rees

Motion to Approve Catherine Res with RCAP Solutions(Rual Community Assistance Partnership, Inc.) to assist the Town of Friendship with various water and wastewater services at no cost to the Town, at no cost to the Town, offered by Steve Ritter, seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

Motion to approve to authorize Russell Hall, Supervisor to sign the Engineering Study contracts for the Study grant, offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Carolyn Carney. All approve.

REPORTS RECEIVED:

Town Clerk Report

Highway Report

Dog Control Report

Water Report

Justice Report

Motion to Adjourn offered by, Carolyn Carney, seconded by Linda Mascho.

8pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Schurr

Town Clerk