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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING-September 2, 2021

Supervisor Lant called the Regular Town Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Lant led the board and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Roll Call by the Town Clerk showed all board members present except Deputy Supervisor McEachron, who was excused.

John Lant-Supervisor

Duane Bogardus-Councilman

Erinn Kolligian-Councilwoman

Ray O'Connor-Councilman

Also present was Director of Planning and Engineering, Ryan K. Riper, P. E., Comptroller Maria E. Moran, CPA, CGFM and Mark Schachner, Town Counsel.

Public Comment Session

Joshua Vincek of Vincek Farm thanked the board for their support for the Conservation Easement for their farm. The grant Saratoga Plan applied for was granted by New York State. He asked if anyone has been down Smith Bridge Road. Last year was the 100th anniversary of the farm. We moved the store to a new location on the corner of Smith Bridge Road and Jones Road. We are going to open the farm to Pick Your Own Pumpkins and have a few New York State wineries do tastings. We are hoping to open up on the weekend of September 18th and 19th and welcome Town Board members to be a part of the celebration.

Approve Pending Minutes

On a motion introduced by Councilman Bogardus, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #174

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the minutes from the August 5, 2021 meeting, as typed.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Kolligian, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

October Meeting Date Change

The Town Clerk noted the 2022 Preliminary Budget shall be presented to the Town Board at a regular or special meeting, on or before October 5. The first Thursday in October is the 7th. Discussion was held on alternate dates and board availability.

On a motion introduced by Councilman O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #175

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the meeting date change for the October 2021 Town Board Meeting to Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Bogardus, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

2021 TAP-CMAQ Grant

Mr. Riper said the 2021 TAP-CMAQ is a grant application through the Transportation Alternative Plan and CMAQ, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality. He said he is requesting board support in a resolution to apply for the grant. He said he sent the draft documents to the board and has some changes he would like to make to the layout. The grant is an 80/20 match. The town would have to fund 20% of the project for the roundabouts at each end of Carr Road and associated pathways. This will address some of the concerns we have had over the years.

On a motion introduced by Councilwoman Kolligian, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #176

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) is making available up to \$110 million in funding over a two-year period to support community-

based investments in projects designed to strengthen the cultural aesthetic, and environmental aspects of local and regional transportation systems, while promoting safety and mobility, and in programs that support the goals of New York's nation-leading Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA); and

WHEREAS, the funds, made available to the State through the Federal Highway Administration and administered by the NYSDOT, are provided through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ); and

WHEREAS, the goal of these programs is to support innovative, transformative transportation improvements for communities, including bicycle, pedestrian, multi-use paths, and/or projects that will help meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act by reducing congestion and vehicle emissions, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton desires to make improvements along the Carr Road and Jones Road corridors to accommodate safe multi-modal travel, within dedicated bicycle/pedestrian ways to meet the Town's vision of providing safe and efficient transportation options that minimize the impacts of traffic on the Town's character and quality of life and,

WHEREAS, the desired improvements would involve the construction of roundabouts at each end of Carr Road to enhance intersection capacity and reduce congestion and the creation of a multi-use path along the entire length of Carr Road and along Jones Road, from Carr Road to Jodi Lane, for

increased bicycle and pedestrian safety to community destinations like Dorothy Nolan Elementary School and Gavin Park.

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton has determined that the proposed Carr Road/Jones Road corridor improvements project is an eligible transportation related project which provides increased options for non-vehicular transportation and mitigates traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton finds that the proposed project is consistent with existing local and/or regional plans; the proposed financing is appropriate for the specific project; the project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to benefit the public interest through the provision of public access and use.

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilton desires to apply for TAP and CMAQ funding for eligible expenses including planning, design/engineering services, right-of-way acquisition, construction and construction inspection services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Wilton supports the principles, intent, and establishment of the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and deems these programs to be in the public interest and benefit, and

The Town of Wilton firmly supports the submission of an application for funding from the New York State Department of Transportation through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and the

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) for the Carr Road/Jones Road corridor improvements project, and be it further

RESOLVED: by the Town Board of the Town of Wilton that Supervisor John Lant is the representation authorized to act on behalf of the applicant in all matters related to this application to participate in the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and is authorized to sign and submit the enclosed application; and be it further

RESOLVED: should the Town, as a result of this application receive state assistance, the Town Supervisor is also authorized to act on behalf of the applicant in all matters related to the project and to State assistance.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman O'Connor, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

Board of Assessment Review Reappointment

On a motion introduced by Councilman O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #177

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to reappoint Mel Abbondondalo to the Board of Assessment Review for a five year term, 10/01/2021--09/30/2026.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Kolligian duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

Committee Reports

Councilman O'Connor said he emailed the members of the Town Board earlier today with a draft local law for smoking restrictions. We have a policy on smoking, but this would be for all town owned properties and would prohibit not just the use of traditional tobacco but cannabis related products, vaping devices and those type of things. This would keep town employees, residents and particularly children, safe from those substances. The draft law was put together based on four samples from other towns, provided by the Association of Towns, who have a similar ordinance. He said he is welcome to comments and would like to set a public hearing for the October meeting. Councilman Bogardus said under the Enforcement section, we do have other enforcement and would like to see a generalized law enforcement agency.

On a motion introduced by Councilman O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #178

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to set a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on October 5, 2021 for proposed Local Law #3 of 2021, No Smoking on Town Properties Law

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Bogardus, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

Councilman O'Connor said Saratoga County Community Forest Project had folks out last Saturday doing some preliminary mapping for the walking, mountain biking trails. It is continuing to move along.

Councilman O'Connor said he met with Maria Dailey from the Christopher Dailey Foundation. She was inquiring if there is an update and asked if we are waiting on the foundation's attorney for the prospective changes. Mr. Schachner said we are waiting for a response on some minor changes.

Supervisor Lant said Wilton Hazardous Waste Day will be held on September 18, 2021 from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. at the Town Hall Complex for Wilton residents. Pre-registration is required by September 8, 2021. Please let your friends and neighbors know. Sustainable Saratoga will hold their annual Saratoga Recycles Day and it will be held on Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at the SPAC parking lot. The fee is \$5 per vehicle and \$30 for televisions.

Supervisor Lant said the Apple Pie Social will be held on Sunday, October 10, 2021 from 1pm to 4 pm at the Wilton Heritage Museum on Parkhurst Road. It will be a drive-thru, just like last year.

Supervisor Lant said Saratoga County Soil and Water Conservation District will hold a Tire Recycling Program on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm behind the Malta Town Court. The fee is \$5 for passenger car/truck tires, \$100 and \$150 for agricultural or tractor tires. Pre-registration is required.

Supervisor Lant said the Federal Census has been completed and the population in the Town of Wilton is 17,361, up 7.3% by 1,188, from 16,173 in 2010.

Comptroller's Report

1.) 2021 Budget Transfers

On a motion introduced by **Councilwoman Kolligian** the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #179

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the 2021 budget transfers 1-6 requested for and listed in the Comptroller's 9/2/2021 Report (attached) to the Town Board.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilman Bogardus, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

2.) 2021 Budget Amendment

On a motion introduced by Councilman O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #180

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the 2021 budget amendments, 1 and 2, requested for and listed in the Comptroller's 9/2/2021 Report (attached) to the Town Board.

The adoption of the resolution was seconded by Councilwoman Kolligian, duly put to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-0.

3.) Completion of Internal Audits

Ms. Moran said she completed all the internal audits with no exceptions. The town board, by resolution, should accept the internal reviews.

On a motion introduced by **Councilman Bogardus**, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #181

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the internal audit review, with

no exceptions, performed by
Comptroller Maria Moran, CPA, CGFM.

The adoption of the resolution was
seconded by Councilwoman Kolligian,
duly put to vote all in favor. The motion
passed 4-0.

4. Personnel

On a motion introduced by Councilwoman Kolligian, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #182

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,
approve overnight travel for Susan Baldwin
to attend the NYS Town Clerk's Association
Regional Meeting September 19-20, 2021.

The adoption of the resolution was
seconded by **Councilman O'Connor**, duly put
to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-
0.

Other

On a motion introduced by Councilman O'Connor, the board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #183

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,
approve the fee waiver for the large pavilion
at Gavin Park for the 4th Annual Dan Provost
Memorial Walk on October 2, 2021.

The adoption of the resolution was
seconded by Councilman Bogardus, duly put
to a vote, all in favor. The motion passed 4-
0.

Adjournment

On a motion introduced by Councilwoman Kolligian and seconded by **Councilman Bogardus**, all board
members in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Baldwin, Town Clerk

Supervisor, John Lant

Councilman, Duane Bogardus

Councilwoman, Erinn Kolligian

Councilman, Raymond O'Connor