

**July 26, 2021**

Supervisor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the flag salute at the advertised meeting of the Worcester Town Board, held in the Town of Worcester Municipal Building.

**Present:** Donald Lindberg ---- Supervisor  
 Larry DeLong ---- Councilman  
 Jeff Wilcox ---- Councilman  
 Harold Ridgeway ---- Councilman  
**Not Present:** Dave Miller ---- Councilman

**Others Present:** Agnes Terrell, Marilyn Dufresne, Rita Tetenes, Chuck Thompson (Planning Board Chairman) and Richard Evans (Highway Supt)

**Minutes:** Councilman DeLong moved, second by Councilman Wilcox to accept the July 12, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented . VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox) Noes: 0

**Public Input:** Marilyn Dufresne thanked the highway department for installing the sign in the cemetery and asked that the board attend the official unveiling on August 21<sup>st</sup> at 1pm.

Rita Tetenes thanked the highway department for filling the potholes on Center Valley Road.

**Highway Superintendent:** Nothing at this time.

**Water Superintendent:** An application was received from Jean Patton requesting water service at her new home at 21 Halleck Drive.

**Resolution #85: Approving application for water service at 21 Halleck Drive**

Offered by Councilman Wilcox, second by Councilman DeLong: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves the water service agreement between Jean Patton of 21 Halleck Drive and the Town of Worcester Water District #2. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox) Noes: 0

**Financial:**

**Resolution #86: Audit of Claims:**

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Wilcox: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on abstract 7P.

General Fund:	claims: 127-140	\$12,431.11
Highway Fund:	claims: 135-145	\$15,832.57
East Worcester Water #1	claims: 24	\$977.00
Worcester Water #2	claims: 44-45	\$1,983.65
Street Lights	claims: 7	\$1,506.32

VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox) Noes: 0

**Resolution #87: Approving Court Clerk Training**

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Wilcox: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves the request from Cheri Kinch-Powers to attend a court clerk training at a cost of \$948.00. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox) Noes: 0

**Planning Board:** Chuck Thompson presented a draft of a site plan law for the Town Board to review. Mr. Thompson reported that most towns in Otsego County do have site plan laws and the Worcester Planning Board does support the proposed site plan draft. The Town Board agreed to review the site plan draft prior to the next meeting.

Scott Hanin applied for a position on the Planning Board. The Town Board asked that the Planning Board meet with him and to make a recommendation to the Town Board.

**Old Business:** Councilman DeLong reported that there were at least 67 people at Caryl's Lake this past weekend and feels something should be done to control what happens at the lake. Councilman DeLong feels that it is disrespectful to water district property to have that many people at the lake with tents and leaving their trash laying around. Lengthy discussion followed on the lake and if anything can or should be done to control what happens there. Councilman DeLong moved that the draft on Caryl's Lake regulations and the historic district regulation that was not adopted be given to the Planning Board for their review and recommendations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ridgeway. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox) Noes: 0

Councilman DeLong presented the board with copies of a proposed local law addressing unsafe buildings in town. The law was copied almost entirely from the Town of Oneonta's law. Discussion ensued on some of the wording in the law and how the law would apply now and in the future. Consideration of this proposed local law is tabled until the second town board meeting in August.

Councilman Wilcox reported that the mine on Route 7 needs to have an elevation established in order to determine what needs to be done to make it a buildable lot for a highway department building. Councilman Ridgeway moved, second by Councilman DeLong to authorize Councilman Wilcox to get prices on an elevation study. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox) Noes: 0

**New Business:** Nothing at this time.

**Town Clerk:** The Town Clerk reported that a couple residents from the Town of Maryland spoke to her regarding wind towers that are being proposed for Gohan Road and Smoky Ave. Although the towers would be in the Town of Maryland, they would be visible from South Hill in Worcester.

The Town Clerk reported that she received an email from the Harry Bristol canceling the Schenevus-Worcester Rotary Block party due to time constraints and concerns of the Covid

variants. The portable toilet that was ordered for the block party has already been canceled.

**Adjournment:** Councilman Ridgeway moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeLong. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox)  
Noes: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Beverland  
Town Clerk