

**TOWN OF READING BOARD MEETING**  
**April 13, 2022**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor S. Miller, Councilperson P. Gill, Councilperson C. Richtmyer (by phone), Councilperson C. Stamp, Councilperson R. Everett, Deputy Clerk A. Conklin

**EXCUSED:** Hwy. Supt. J. Switzer, Clerk T. Alger.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mark Rondinaro, Schuylers County Legislature Councilperson gave a report regarding the first quarter of sales tax in Schuylers County. The month of March was up 28.8% over 2021 and 12.9% over the year 2020. The first quarter was up 24.1% over 2021 and 12.0% over 2020. Mr. Rondinaro also spoke about the Gas Tax Moratorium that may be included in State Budget. It would be in effect from June until November 2022. The Legislature is discussing reducing or eliminating the local gas tax. They are leaning towards keeping it with a possible refund of \$6.00 per car per household. The board felt that it should be kept and used in the 2023 budget for the County.

**RESOLUTION #22** Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to accept the March 9, 2022 minutes as written. Seconded by Councilperson R. Everett

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| <b>AYES:</b> | Councilperson P. Gill<br>Councilperson C. Richtmyer<br>Councilperson C. Stamp<br>Councilperson R. Everett<br>Supervisor S. Miller | <b>NAYS:</b> none |
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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PLANNING:** There will be a Public Hearing next week regarding a subdivision of a property.

**HIGHWAY:** Superintendent Switzer's report was given to the board. Supervisor Miller discussed the old Sterling truck causing extensive costs for parts and labor.

**LANDFILL:** No Report.

**CLERK:** Deputy Clerk Conklin read the Clerk's report

**RESOLUTION 23:** Councilperson Gill made a motion to allow Superintendent Switzer to purchase a new pickup truck spending up to \$37,000. Seconded by C. Richtmyer.

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| AYES: | Councilperson P. Gill      | NAYS: none |
|       | Councilperson C. Richtmyer |            |
|       | Councilperson C. Stamp     |            |
|       | Councilperson R. Everett   |            |
|       | Supervisor S. Miller       |            |

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Ms. Reese will attend the next board meeting regarding water survey.

There was a discussion of recycling and garbage pickup. Supervisor Miller presented costs of multiple companies. The Board would like more information and research completed.

Supervisor Miller contacted DOT regarding Chase Road and 14A. He was told there would be no information until Fall.

Code Enforcement revoked operating license of Jaynes Used Auto Parts. Mr. Trembly is in discussion with possible new owners and the present owner's son.

Awaiting Attorney Bowes revised procurement policy.

**RESOLUTION # 25:** Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to hold a Public Hearing for the new Dog Licensing and Control Law on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 7:00pm Seconded by Councilperson P. Gill.

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| AYES: | Councilperson P. Gill      | NAYS: none |
|       | Councilperson C. Richtmyer |            |
|       | Councilperson C. Stamp     |            |
|       | Councilperson R. Everett   |            |
|       | Supervisor S. Miller       |            |

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Billing dates for O & M for water and sewer will be changing. Billing will take place January 1<sup>st</sup> and July 1st of each year with a 30-day due date. Each billing will cover a 6-month period. Councilperson Gill suggested to do the billing yearly to save costs as the 6-month billing cycle dates back to the period of time the Town of Reading was billing for usage which the Village of Watkins has taken over.

**RESOLUTION # 26:** Councilperson Gill made a motion to establish the standard work day Form RS2417-A for the elected official, Jason Switzer, Highway Superintendent for the Town of Reading. XXX-XX-3664, Registration No. 6131807-7, whose term commenced on January 1, 2022 and will expire on December 31, 2022. Highway Superintendent, Jason Switzer, completed a three month calendar for the months of January, February, and March 2022. This established a standard word day of 8 hours and work week of 40 hours. Form RS2417-A will be reported to the New York State and Local Employee’s Retirement office after 30 days of positing on Reading Town Hall Bulletin Board. Seconded by Councilperson C. Stamp.

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| AYES: | Councilperson P. Gill      | NAYS: none |
|       | Councilperson C. Richtmyer |            |
|       | Councilperson C. Stamp     |            |
|       | Councilperson R. Everett   |            |
|       | Supervisor S. Miller       |            |

There was a confrontation with a town resident at the Town Hall. The Schuyler County Sheriff’s office was called. During this time, it was discovered that the 911 system did not work properly. This has been repaired.

Communications were discussed.

A contract from the Village of Dundee regarding the Summer Recreation Program and the financial obligation of the Town of Reading ,which was signed by Supervisor Miller, was discussed.

Also discussed was a letter from Watkins Glen Promotions requesting written proof from the Town of Reading allowing their Grand Prix event on September 9, 2022 to pass through our roads. Letter written by Supervisor Miller.

**RESOLUTION #27** Councilperson P. Gill made a motion to pay Abstract # 004 as follows;  
seconded by Councilperson C. Stamp

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| General Town wide       | \$ | 10,909.83 |
| Town Outside Village    | \$ | 1,377.29  |
| Highway Town wide       | \$ | 15,055.65 |
| Highway Outside Village | \$ | 20,104.83 |
| Sewer                   | \$ | 329.45    |

Total: \$47,777.05

AYES: Councilperson P. Gill  
Councilperson C. Richtmyer  
Councilperson C. Stamp  
Councilperson R. Everett  
Supervisor S. Miller

NAYS: none

**RESOLUTION #28** Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to adjourn regular meeting at  
8:30 pm Seconded by Councilperson R. Everett