

**TOWN OF READING BOARD MEETING**  
**July 8, 2020**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Miller, Councilperson Gill, Councilperson Richtmyer, Councilperson Everett, Clerk T. Alger.

**ABSENT:** Councilperson Stamp

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

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS:**

Jennifer Karius, Partnership Specialist of NY Regional Census Center, provided a power point presentation on the importance of the US Census for federal funding, seats in the US House of Representatives and defining congressional and state legislative districts. Karius also provided current on-line participation levels of residents of Schuyler County and also the Town of Reading. The current response rates are 55.4% for the Town of Reading and 53.3% for Schuyler County.

Mark Rondinaro, Schuyler County Legislature was unable to attend, but provided sales tax information. Overall YTD sales tax for 2020 is still down 5.5% compared to 2019. Sales Tax revenue has been improving and the June payment was only down by \$72,100 or -7.4% from 2019.

**RESOLUTION #35** Councilperson Gill made a motion to accept the June 10, 2020 minutes as read. Seconded by Councilperson Everett.

AYES:	Councilperson Gill Councilperson Richtmyer Councilperson Everett Supervisor Miller	NAYS: none
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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

PLANNING: - No Report

HIGHWAY: Superintendent Rockwell read his report

LANDFILL: No Report.

CLERK: Clerk Alger read her report

## OLD BUSINESS

No word yet from Town Attorney, Tom Bowes, regarding writing a local law for the Town of Reading to increase the Current Aged Exemption Sliding Scale Income Limit for real property using \$14,000 as a base which is consistent with Schuyler County.

We are waiting for more information from NYS and then we will need to make a resolution adopting the new Records Retention and Disposition schedule for NY.

## NEW BUSINESS

Ross Spallone was notified of possible hazardous excavated soil storage on Rt 14A near the Town Highway Dept. The DEC was notified and investigated. The DEC agreed that the current temporary storage was satisfactory, but the contaminated fill, although not extremely hazardous, must be removed by the landowner by August 12, 2020.

The Village of Watkins Glen has requested that we replace & install 2 outdated sewer system meters to monitor sewage flow. One is located on Reading Road and the other meter on Co. Rd. 30 (Salt Pt. Rd). John Rockwell is working on getting information to purchase the sewage meters.

Per NYS guidelines all State of NY employees are required to have a daily temperature screening. A non-contact thermometer has been purchased and daily temperatures will be taken.

**RESOLUTION #36:** Councilperson Gill made a motion to accept the Extreme Winter Recovery and PAVE NY money. Seconded by Councilperson Richtmyer.

AYES:	Councilperson Gill	NAYS: none
	Councilperson Richtmyer	
	Councilperson Everett	
	Supervisor Miller	

**RESOLUTION #37:** Councilperson Gill made a motion to pay Abstract # 007 as follows; seconded by Councilperson Richtmyer

General Town wide	\$	3575.95
Town Outside Village	\$	228.31
Highway Town wide	\$	5,164.26
Highway Outside Village	\$	19,943.31
Sewer	\$	8,159.20
Water District	\$	0.00

Total: \$37,071.03

AYES:	Councilperson Gill	NAYS: none
	Councilperson Richtmyer	
	Councilperson Everett	
	Supervisor Miller	

**RESOLUTION #38** Councilperson Everett made a motion to adjourn regular meeting at 8:30 pm Seconded by Councilperson Gill