

Town Board Meeting September 9, 2024

Supv. Crossen called the monthly meeting of the Alabama Town Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken, Councilperson J. Klotzbach, Veazey, D. Klotzbach, Fisher and Supv. Crossen were present. Also present were Supt. Covell, Attorney Boylan, Mark Masse, Dave Bencic and Rachel Smith.

Supv. Crossen read the following statement: Councilperson Dianne Klotzbach has informed me of a conflict with STAMP. Councilperson D. Klotzbach will not participate anytime the issue is discussed and simply vote 'present' on any vote taken.

Privilege of the Floor

Dave Bencic – asked if the diesel truck mandate will affect the Town? Disc. held.

Rachel Smith, EDP Renewables – gave board members an updated map of participating owners. Still working on layout of solar panels. Will submit Article 8 application to the State by end of 1st quarter, early 2nd quarter of 2025.

Highway – Supt. Covell gave update:

Continue culvert replacements on roads.

Shared Services with Oakfield, Batavia, Alexander, Darien and Pembroke.

Salt delivered and stored.

All street lights have been installed by National Grid.

Wight Road – National Grid working on a plan to move the poles.

Old spare truck (wrecked one) – working on getting title to be able to put it on Auctions

International.

Mini Loader – received quotes from CAT (\$4,300) and Monroe Tractor (\$3,700) for a 2nd bucket.

Funds available for the purchase in the equipment line, will order from Monroe Tractor.

STAMP – Nothing New

Water Dist. #2 – Town of Batavia looking to maximize more flow.

NYSERDA Grant – the Town received a letter that we are eligible for another \$5,000 grant. Town needs to send a letter accepting. Disc. held.

MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson J. Klotzbach to allow Supv.

Crossen to sign the NYSERDA letter accepting the \$5,000 grant. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Executive Session

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to go into executive session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation; and/or Negotiations and updates subject to NDAs regarding the IZA; and/or Negotiations regarding the Teamsters Contract with Mark Masse. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – present C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Councilperson D. Klotzbach excused herself from the executive session.

MOTION by Councilperson J. Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to come out of executive session at 7:30 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Solar Law Update – nothing new.

Court -- Nothing

Town Hall – Nothing

Edward Vacuum Reimbursement Fees

Supv. Crossen and Councilperson Fisher met with Edwards representatives to discuss the fees being held by the Town. Will re-visit after the first of the year.

7047 Maple Rd.

Supv. Crossen attended court last week, the case was adjourned until October. Disc. held. Supv. Crossen would like a motion to withdraw the case from Town Court and file it in County Supreme Court.

MOTION by Councilperson J. Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to withdraw the 7047 Maple Road case from Town Court and have DiMatteo and Roach file the case in County Supreme Court.

Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

2025 Budget

Supv. Crossen gave Board Members a copy of the preliminary 2025 Budget for their review. Still waiting on some numbers to come in from the County.

Approval of Minutes

8/12/2024 Board Meeting – MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson D. Klotzbach to accept minutes as presented. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Supervisors Report

8/31/2024 -- MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Audit Bills

MOTION by Councilperson J. Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson D. Klotzbach to accept Abstract #009-2024 and pay bills in the amount of \$24,184.97 vouchers 163 to 178 General Fund; \$226,426.94 vouchers 149 to 162 Highway Fund; \$18.00 voucher 23 Water District 1. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Transfer of Funds

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Supv. Crossen to transfer

\$6,408.87 from DA5110.4 to DA5112.4

\$723.21 from A1440.45 to A1440.4

\$262.67 from A1110.12 to A1110.41

Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Town Clerk's Report

August 2024 -- MOTION by Councilperson J. Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson D. Klotzbach to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Assessor's Report – not submitted

CEO/ZEO Report

August 2024 -- MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson D. Klotzbach to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Renewable Energy Tax Credit – Supv. Crossen had a discussion with the Assessor and Real Property. Back in 2018 the Town did not opt-out. Disc. held. Next year we will take wind off the tax rolls, they have no added value.

MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson J. Klotzbach to adjourn meeting at 8:09 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. J. Klotzbach – yes C. D. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca L. Borkholder
Town Clerk