

The March Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford was held on March 13, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town of Stamford Municipal Building with the following present:

Supervisor-John Kosier
Councilperson-Brent Trimbell
Councilperson- David Post
Councilperson – Daniel Deysenroth
Hwy Sup. – Jon Ballard
Dep. Hwy – Kevin Rinehart

Also present: Liz Page, Duane Martin, Jackie Lamport, Ruthanne Van Buren, Nicholas Frandsen. Absent from the meeting was Roderick Hillis.

The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 6:15pm and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A MOTION was made by David Post and second by Daniel Deysenroth to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Daniel Deysenroth and seconded by David Post to approve the Supervisor's monthly report. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

Some questions/comments: Gas was high this month – 2 bills this time; Cameras/grant – John Kosier working on it and has been in touch with Kevin Brown; Headwaters had a public hearing – they will get their own Certificate and then the towns can get theirs – Very well received, only 1 no – all others were in favor. Ray Baker gave a presentation with account of use and response times, which overall were much improved.

A MOTION was made by Brent Trimbell and second by John Kosier to appoint John Dropp to the Planning Board to fill the unexpired term of Arthur Turner. The new term shall be 03/13/24 – 08/31/25. ALL AYE votes cast; MOTION carried.

Jackie plans to retire after this year so notice is made that someone will have to run for the Town Justice position. (mentioned again) It will appear in the newspapers again as well. Maybe put it in as a legal notice.

A MOTION was made by Daniel Deysenroth and seconded by John Kosier to approve Highway Bills Abstracts dated March 13, 2024 for DA in the amount of \$3270.31 claim nos DA 2407-2412 & DB in the amount of \$24104.59 claim nos DB 2402-2404 for a total of \$27,374.90. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and second by Brent Trimbell to approve the use of spray on the sides of the roads by the Highway Department. Kevin gave some more details and it is used by many other Towns and also the State. Discretion is to be used near farms or organic businesses. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

Updates by Kevin Rinehart were that the 2 trucks being repaired are almost complete; Stones (B sized) that have been used seemed to have worked well and no complaints.

An update to Gregg Grace closing part of Rich Road is that it is difficult to change once made public and they confirmed that we would lose CHIPS money. Board agrees that it is not a good idea to make that change at this time. Daniel Deysenroth will let Gregg know.

Nicholas Frandsen attended the meeting as a perspective attorney for the town. He gave a brief description of his history growing up in Delaware County, Living and working in other areas and his current office in Delhi. He seemed agreeable to the suggested retainer and thought we could work out a fee based on need and use. He would consider it a yearly contract to see if all were still in favor.

A MOTION was made by Brent Trimbell and second by Daniel Deysenroth to appoint Nicholas Frandsen as Town Attorney with a term of 03/13/24-12-31-24. ALL AYE votes, MOTION carried. John will contact Jacob Sackett to let him know as well.

A MOTION was made by David Post and seconded by Brent Trimbell to approve General bills Abstract No. 3 dated March 13, 2024 for A in the amount of \$3008.44, B in the amount of \$3051.53 and SL in the amount of \$75.90 for a total of \$6135.87 and ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Brent Trimbell and seconded by David Post to approve South Kortright Sewer District bills abstract dated March 13, 2024 in the amount of \$10881.09 for claim nos 2413-2416. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A RESOLUTION No. 6-2024 was introduced by David Post and second by Brent Trimbell;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the audit of the JUSTICE books was completed, found in order and approved by the BOARD.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE which resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, Daniel Deysenroth, Brent Trimbell and David Post
NAYES: None
Said RESOLUTION was thereupon adopted.

A RESOLUTION was made by Brent Trimbell to move into Executive Session at 6:45pm for a Personnel Matter.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE which resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, Daniel Deysenroth, Brent Trimbell and David Post
NAYES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon adopted.

A RESOLUTION was made to bring Executive Session to a close with no action taken by Daniel Deysenroth at 7:32 pm. And second by Brent Trimbell.

The foregoing RESOLUTIONS WERE DULY PUT TO A VOTE which resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, Daniel Deysenroth, Brent Trimbell and David Post

NAYES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon adopted.

Town of Stamford	Supervisor's Report					Feb-24		
	General Townwide	General Part-Town	Highway Townwide	Highway Part-Town	SK Light	SK Walls	Sewer Dist.	
Beginning Balance:	\$ 870,547.74	\$ 101,863.44	\$ 576,042.99	\$ 436,048.51	\$ 4,443.11	\$ 2,437.24	\$ 52,046.40	
REVENUES								
Interest Earned	\$ 1,337.19	\$ 156.46	\$ 1,325.44	\$ 954.40			\$ 78.46	
Interest on Property Tax	\$ 34.35							
2st Quarter from NYC							\$ 32,830.48	
SKCS SEWER RENT							\$ 5,332.01	
Dog Fees	\$ 18.00							
Charter Communications	\$ 412.30							
9-Permits		\$ 1,340.00						
Total Income	\$ 1,801.84	\$ 1,496.46	\$ 1,325.44	\$ 954.40			\$ 38,240.95	
EXPENDITURES								
Abstracts	\$ 4,470.69	\$ 3,070.23	\$ 5,983.18	\$ 13,132.99	\$ 78.95		\$ 285.45	
Health Insurance	\$ 5,632.26	\$ 1,496.46	\$ 14,419.36					
Payroll & Fringe	\$ 16,348.21	\$ 914.44	\$ 20,295.18					
Total Expenses	\$ 26,451.16	\$ 5,481.13	\$ 40,697.72	\$ 13,132.99	\$ 78.95		\$ 285.45	
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 845,898.42	\$ 97,878.77	\$ 539,670.71	\$ 423,869.92	\$ 4,364.16	\$ 2,437.24	\$ 90,001.90	

DATE	CHECK #	MEMO	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	BALANCE
		HEADWATERS EMS			
1/31/2024		BALANCE FORWARD			\$ 23,133.74
2/2/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 3,495.74	X	
2/5/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 606.32	X	
2/5/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 1,117.18	X	
2/9/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 1,472.85	X	
2/13/2024	1004	HEADWATERS EMS	\$ 26,629.48	X	
2/16/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 1,394.36	X	
2/23/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 1,137.44	X	
2/26/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 544.23	X	
2/26/2024		DEPOSIT	\$ 586.73	X	
2/29/2024		INTEREST	\$ 33.40	X	\$ 6,892.51
			\$ 10,388.25		
2/29/2024		GCCB BALANCE			\$ 6,892.51
		OUTSTANDING CHECKS			\$ -
2/29/2024		TOWN OF STAMFORD BALANCE			\$ 6,892.51

TOWN OF STAMFORD
101 MAPLE AVENUE
HOBART, NY

March 11, 2024

Town of Stamford Town Board
P.O. Box M
Hobart, NY 13788

To the Members of the Town Board:

On March 11, 2024 Town Board Members Daniel Deysenroth, (Deputy Town Supervisor), and John Kosier, (Town Supervisor), audited the books of Town Justice Jacqueline Lamport. Our audit consisted of random testing's of different areas of the Court procedures.

Fines

We reviewed fines collected in the month of October, 2023, tracking the fines to the current software program utilized by the Justice court. Our review included fines paid by cash, check and credit card. Deposit slips and bank statements for the selected dates were compared against the Justice generated report for accuracy. We also checked the date of receipt of fine money for timely deposit into the Justice account. We did not observe any deficiencies in the handling of fines.

Bail and Petty Cash

We reviewed the Bail Account for open items and proper disposition of bail and the Petty Cash account for verification of cash used. We did not observe and deficiencies in the handling of bail or Petty Cash.

Credit Card Receipts

We reviewed credit card activity for both the former and current credit card providers and found no deficiencies.

Monthly Reports

We reviewed the monthly report to the State for the month of December 2023, and tracked to the December, 2023 Supervisors report for accuracy. We observed no deficiencies.

Our audit was not designed to form an opinion of all internal controls in place by the Town Justice Court.

Very truly yours,

Daniel Deysenroth

John Kosier

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Date: 2024-03-13
Re: Town Attorney Position

Dear Board Members —

My name is Nicholas Frandsen, and I am an attorney based in Bovina. I respectfully submit for the position of Town Attorney.

A bit about myself: Born and raised in Bovina, I graduated Delaware Academy in 2003 and worked construction for two years before joining the Marine Corps in 2005. I eventually did three tours overseas, in the infantry and military intelligence, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. I went to college in New York City on the GI Bill, and afterwards began my legal career at the New York County District Attorney's Office as a financial crimes analyst.

I graduated from the University at Buffalo School of Law in 2020, and after working remotely for a law firm in New York City for a year, I left to open my own practice in Bovina. I started out with real estate transactions and construction contracts, and have branched out to include corporate, municipal, family, and civil litigation in my law practice. With two highly capable employees, my office represents several local institutions. We handle a variety of municipal-related work for private clients that I believe would allow us to transition seamlessly to representing the Town of Stamford, especially regarding land use, zoning, and permitting.

In my personal time, I captain the Bovina Dairymen Vintage Baseball team, serve on the board of directors at Delaware Opportunities, and enjoy practicing my Spanish and spending time with my family.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak today, and for your consideration.

Yours truly,


Nicholas J. Frandsen, Esq.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and seconded by Brent Trimbell to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

WE, the undersigned members of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford, Delaware County, New York, do hereby certify that we have examined the minutes of the previous meeting and found them to be correct and accurate as recorded.

Supervisor _____

Councilperson _____

Councilperson _____

Councilperson _____

Attest _____

Town Clerk