

Town of Hamden Town Board Meeting of August 7, 2024

Superintendent Tweedie reported that the CHIPS projects are going well. He reports there has been serious damage done to our new road on Rennie Lane. The Town has spent 3 days working up there to clear the damage and has to have part of the road repaved. There will be a cost of \$3,630 to repave and the property owner will be responsible for that and all costs.

Wastewater report was given with Hamden Wastewater processing 286,570 gallons for the month of July.

The Bicentennial fund raiser drew a very nice crowd. The next meeting of the committee is August 29th at 5 pm.

Hamden Water District project is complete and the final payment of DASNY funds has been received. Better maintenance has to be done on the shut off valves for the future.

A Clean Heating and Cooling grant notification was received to install a heat pump in the Museum and the Highway Office. It is a grant for \$10,000 from NYSERDA.

Fuel and Gas bids were awarded and the following approved: LP gas to Mirabito for a firm price of \$1.99 per gallon. Diesel Fuel to Mirabito at a fluctuating price of \$2.76 per gallon. Kerosene accepted at a price of \$3.12 fluctuating and to Mirabito. Heating Fuel to Allison Oil at a firm price of \$2.99 per gallon.

The Nutting Real Property Article 7 stipulation and settlement and judicial order was approved.

The board approved adding \$10,000 to the Hamden Bank CD for a 9-month period. Mid next year the Town of Hamden will devise a grant program with about \$45,000 worth of bank money for our local businesses. More to come as we plan.

The board agreed to replace the Sage septic system in DeLancey for an estimated cost of \$23,603. Sage abstained from the approval.

The Planning Board asked the Town Board for their support of analyzing a sign regulation for the town. The board issued their full support and the planning board will commence work on it, probably as an amendment to our Site Plan Review.

The new Mailbox at the Town Hall is now being served by the Hamden Post Office. The new address is 20 Covert Hollow Road for all offices, with Box 1 for the Town Clerk, Box 2 for the Supervisor, Box 3 for Assessor and Code Enforcement, and Box 4 for the Court.

We are having a pigeon problem at the pavilion and more to come on that.

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Marshfield

Delaware County Board of Supervisors Meeting of August 28, 2024

The board approved a resolution accepting \$538.25 from the NYS Board of Health for a bonus program to healthcare workers in the Sheriff's Department.

The board approved a resolution accepting \$3229.50 from the NYS Board of Health for a bonus to healthcare workers in the Behavior Health Department.

The board approved a resolution accepting \$25,000 from the Federal Social Services Administration for non-residential domestic violence expansion in Social Services. It is 100% reimbursable.

The board approved a resolution to amend the Probation budget in the amount of \$2,502 for training in the use and flight operations of an unmanned aerial system. It is to be transferred from vehicle lease account to the equipment account.

The board approved a budget amendment in Social Services equaling \$1,325,000. This is needed for our Day Care Services to meet the government increase in income threshold making more families eligible, Foster Care with more kids in foster care and more expensive residential placement than ever, and Committee Special Education with one more child in that than budgeted and that cost be around \$200,000 per child. The funding came from the budgeted Raise the Age account.

A change order was approved relative to the construction of a new bridge at the Delhi College Golf Course. The added cost will be \$2,370 to Vector Construction of Cicero, NY.

The board approved the sale of a 2010 Ford Fusion in Planning and a 2006 Internation 4300, 2006 Bandit Chipper, and (4) 40 yard open top boxes in Public Works.

The board recognized the week of September 15-21 as Sheriff's Week. This recognizes the role that the Sheriff's Department plays in our modern criminal justice system.

The final resolution approved was a Cooperative Agreement with the Town of Bovina for Assessment services. This is a 2-year agreement and the cost will be for what the assessor of Bovina was paid at \$18,000. To me this is too cheap and fringes should have been figured in as well. This now opens the door for other towns to shift their assessing off on the County. In my opinion the plan should be to come up with a per parcel fee uniform throughout the County.

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Marshfield