

Town of Hamden Town Board Meeting of June 5, 2024

A public hearing was held on the Solar Energy Systems Local Law with public comment.

Superintendent of Highways Tweedie reported that they will be putting down gravel on Gregory Hollow Road. Paving of Wright Road is planned for the middle of August. Concrete barricades have been placed on East Brook Road at the damaged culvert site. Delaware County Soil and Water is looking at the project for engineering and recommendations. Town of Freedom won't have their next truck available for purchase until December due to delays on them getting their replacement truck.

Wastewater report given indicated 294,198 gallons processed for the month of May or 9,490 gallons per day.

The board reviewed the environmental parts 1, 2 and 3 for the Comprehensive Plan and declared a negative declaration. Our new 10-year Comprehensive Plan that has been in the process of development by the Planning and Town Boards was approved and will be filed with the State.

A bid for a used 2020 Sakai vibratory roller, for \$130,000 was approved and will be applied to CHIPS for reimbursement. It was purchased from Tracey Road and Equipment of Binghamton.

The board reviewed the stone trucking bids and approved the bid from Cobleskill Stone for \$10.25 per ton delivered to the Town Garage.

The board agreed to do a Clean Fleet Inventory which would give us 200 more NYSEDA points and potentially a \$10,000 grant for a clean energy project.

The mandatory Sexual Harassment training was held May 14th with 10 town employees present.

The board agreed to give away the old town hall folding tables. New ones have been received and are much lighter weight for senior citizen and other persons to move. Anyone interested in an old table, please let our town clerk know.

Hours this year at the Schoolhouse Museum are June 22, July 7 and 28, August 10 and 18, and September 8 and 28, from 10 am to 2 pm., or by appointment anytime. You can call for appointments at 607-746-7479.

Rodney Helsen spoke to the board about a barking dog issue at the lower end of the hamlet and asked if there was a way to control this. Dog control officer Chris Bodo is aware and is trying to rectify the issue.

After an executive session the board agreed to hire Katherine Taggart from Walton as an Assessor Clerk and trainee for eventual Assessor in late 2025. She will be paid \$20 per hour for this training process.

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Marshfield

Proposed agenda for the July 3 Town of Hamden Town Board Meeting

1. Public Hearing on Residency requirements for Highway and Deputy Highway Superintendents.
2. Adopt a local law for residency requirements for Highway and Deputy Highway Superintendents.
3. Highway Department Report
4. Hamden hamlet water project report
5. Advertise for fuel bids
6. Wastewater report
7. Bicentennial Meeting
8. Other

Delaware County Board of Supervisors Meeting of June 26,2024

The board passed a resolution to amend the 24' budget by accepting \$59,366 in funding from the State Office of Indigent Legal Services. This funding will partially offset the increased rates given to assigned counsel.

A resolution was approved to accept \$5,000 from the Rural Healthcare Alliance to Public Health for information on tick removal, tick identification, and prevention of Lyme Disease and tick-borne illnesses.

A resolution was approved in the amount of \$144,070 for the summer employment of economically disadvantaged youth in the county. This is 100% reimbursable.

The board approved a grant in the amount of \$55,000 through the Federal ARP funding and for Social Services. It is an adult protective community living services grant for adults that are abused, neglected, or exploited in the context of COVID-19 and is 100% reimbursed.

A resolution was approved allotting \$70,604 of the \$144,070 for disadvantaged youth through the Youth Bureau. This for youth that go through the Social Services programs. The remainder of the \$144,070 funding will be used by the Office of Employment and Training.

A resolution was approved in the amount of \$5,000 from Cornell Cooperative Extension for the Office of the Aging Bingocize Fall Prevention Program.

A resolution was approved in the amount of \$6,450 from Cornell Cooperative Extension for the Office of the Aging Tai Chi Arthritis program.

The board approved a resolution accepting \$37,500 from the State as additional intervenor funding for use in the "Clean Path" transmission line proceeding affecting Delhi, Hamden, Colchester and Hancock.

The board approved a resolution in the amount of \$30,000 which is additional funding needed for legal fees in the Watershed Affairs Department to help negotiate and review the NYC Water Supply Permit, Revised 2017 FAD, and the Water Supply Permit.

A low bid of \$28,214 was accepted to purchase a 2,000-gallon water tank from Curry Supply Co. of Holidaysburg, PA. in the Public Works Department.

A low bid was accepted in the amount of \$49,925 for a rain cover for cell number 4 in the landfill. It was awarded to Chenango Contracting from Johnson City and the cover will reduce leachate pumping and disposal.

A public hearing was set for the next board meeting on July 24th to obtain citizen input regarding the community development block grant coronavirus aid, relief and economic security act. (CARES) This hearing is required by our funding agency.

A resolution was approved to include about 44 acres in the Ag District 2 in Walton, and 105 acres in Ag District 3 in Bovina.

A public hearing was set for the next meeting on the 24th of July to hear comments from the public on the "False Alarm Reduction Act".

A resolution was approved to oppose OSHA changes to Fire Brigade Standard, 29 CFR 1910.156 Department of Emergency Services. These are new proposed regulations that will create additional burdens on our local volunteer fire departments. Even the State FASNY has concerns regarding the impact on our fire department's ability to protect our public.

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