

**TOWN OF COLUMBIA
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
JULY 6, 2023**

The Town of Columbia Town Board held a regular monthly meeting July 6, 2023, at the town building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Weiss, Councilmen Cotton, Doremus Learned and Reed

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Woytowich, Clerk; Mark Buddle, Highway Supt.;
5 residents/public/planning Board/West Winfield
Star rep.

Supervisor Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
Pledge of Allegiance and prayer

A **motion** was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Doremus, to accept the minutes of 6/08/2023.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Learned, seconded by Councilman Reed, to accept the Supervisor and Town Clerk monthly reports.

VOTE: All members voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

-**HIGHWAY:** Mark discussed the following:

- Ferrell Gas has propane State contract
- Pickup / 550 (Late August-Sept.proposal)
- DEC Dropp / Diehl
- Gradall
- 2027 Federal Emmision (Diesel engines)
- County mowing - looking for help
- Tractor - new tractor discussed
- Loader (new loader is here)
- 3rd week of July rototilling

-**PLANNING BOARD:** DRAFT minutes of 6/21/2023 distributed to the Board Members.

OLD BUSINESS, NEW BUSINESS, DISCUSSION:

Correspondence:

-Letter received to the Board from Jim Hotaling was read requesting "No Parking Signs" on the right side of McKoons Road coming from Rt. 28 across from the Snack Bar. Jim has spoke to the County Highway Department and they do not have a problem putting up signs but need a written request from the Town.

-From Herkimer County IDA: If anyone is interested in receiving quarterly news letter you may call 315-866-3000 or

e-mail: espina@herkimercountyida.org

-Councilman Cotton spoke with Kay Cotton regarding her concern from last month and has assured her that the Town is doing everything they can to resolve the issue.

Board discussed:

Cemeteries

From Councilman Reed: EDF meeting - beef grazing under solar panels
Supervisor Weiss stated that he is working on 2024 Budget. Tentative Budget will be ready for August meeting.

INPUT: The Board received input from those attending. Questioned how close to Millers Mills Cemetery solar panels would be. Discussed EDF selection of those invited to attend their meetings.

Supervisor Weiss needed to leave and turned the meeting over to Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Reed.

BILLS: The Board audited the monthly bills. A **motion** was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Learned, to accept the following bills:

General Fund, #111 - #126 for \$6,188.93
Trust & Agency, #7 for \$514.20
Highway, Item #1, #8 - #13 for \$13,174.78
Highway, Item 3, #64 - #71 for \$20,902.84
Highway, Item 4, #46 - #50 for \$4,646.51

VOTE: All members present voted aye.

Absent: Supervisor Weiss

Next meeting will be August 10th.

A **motion** was made by Councilman Cotton, seconded by Councilman Doremus, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Supervisor

Town Clerk

Councilman

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