

A meeting of the Town of Avon was held on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at the Avon Town Hall, 23 Genesee Street, Avon, New York 14414.

PRESENT: Supervisor David LeFeber, Deputy Supervisor Thomas Mairs, Councilmen Paul Drozdziel, Councilmen Malachy Coyne, Councilmen James Harrington.

OTHERS: Attorney James Campbell, Dave Willard MRB Group Engineer and Diana Farrell, Town Clerk

ABSENT: Tom Crye, Highway/Water Supervisor, Brian Glise Code Enforcement Officer

VISITORS: Mary Clarke & Kitty Bressington

Supervisor David LeFeber called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITOR COMMENTS: Supervisor David LeFeber asked if there were any visitor comments and there were none.

DISCUSSION: Resident Mary Clarke resides on Polebridge Road in the Town of Avon. She brought to the Board concerns about water in her yard. She recently purchased her house, and this has been an ongoing issue. She asked the Town for assistance and any options available to improve her property. She mentioned the solar development is east of her property and wondered if that is contributing to the water on her property. Since the solar project was constructed before she owned the house. The Board discussed where the water came from and it is not the responsibility of the Town. One option could be to form a drainage district where affected residents pay for drainage of water properly from the area included in the district. To form a district would involve the support of the property owners in the drainage area. Other options were working with neighbors in the area to install and clean out some ditches to drain the area. It was also mentioned to contact the Livingston County Soil & Water District office to see if they could provide relief. Mary said she will continue to investigate some of these options discussed.

DISCUSSION- ASSESSOR TAMI SNYDER: Assessor Snyder mentioned the Town Equalization dropped from 100% to 90%. She mentioned to the Board how this impacted exemptions. She mentioned that Board of Assessment Review is coming up next week. She also mentioned the members on the Board. She said some of the homeowners adjacent to solar projects feel their home values have decreased. She mentioned a possible Article 7 challenge from the Bob Johnson Auto Group. She also asked questions about her and Jill's fobs being able to access certain parts of building. She asked about when we will be hearing about the results of the grant application for Laserfische. She stated her records will not be on Laserfische but wondered if she should purchase a license to have access to what the Town has on Laserfische. Also questions about the cleaning services in the building.

RESOLUTION #86 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAY 9, 2024

On motion of Supervisor LeFeber seconded by Councilmen Harrington the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to approve the minutes of May 9, 2024 as presented by e-mail and to request they be published on the Town of Avon website at townofavon-ny.org.

Vote of the Board: Supervisor LeFeber – Aye, Deputy Supervisor Mairs – Aye, Councilman Drozdziel – Aye, Councilman Coyne - Aye, Councilman Harrington - Aye

DISCUSSION-ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Campbell was present, and report was given:

- Representing the Town on a serious dog bite case on Gilbert Mills Rd.
- Continue with Solar projects

DISCUSSION- HIGHWAY/WATER REPORT

Highway/Water Superintendent Crye was not present. A report was given:

HIGHWAY:

- Oil & Stone
- Helped Caledonia & Lima – oil & stone
- Mowed and weed eated parks & cemetery's
- Mowing roadsides
- Shop
- Fixed a few signs

WATER:

- Everyday maintenance & sampling
- Start flushing

DISCUSSION- CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Code Enforcement Brian Glise was not present.

DISCUSSION – ENGINEERING REPORT

Dave Willard from MRB was present, and report was given:

- Spoke about the Proposal of the Income Survey of our water customers. We had a proposal to survey the income of our 1150 water customers this includes our customers in our mobile home parks. The cost is \$20,000. The reason for the survey is to receive increased grant dollars if we apply for a water project. If the survey shows incomes below a certain threshold, we could possibly receive more grant dollars.
- We discussed the joint tank project and are still awaiting the draft IMA from the Village of Avon so we can review. At a future meeting the Village we will agree to this IMA.
- A water meeting will be held in the Town of Lima May 29 about a project which could in the future connect to Town of Avon water system.
- A water meeting will be held May 31, 2024 with the Village of Avon about Phase II of the joint tank study.
- Discussion occurred about billables to applicants to the Planning & Zoning Boards. The question about a standard fee for the variances and site plan approval were discussed. The reason for the inquiry is to let the applicant have a rough idea how much the fees will be at the start of process. This relates mainly to our residential applicants.

DISCUSSION – TOWN CLERK REPORT

Diana Farrell gave following report:

- Foot traffic from Friday, May 10, 2024 – Thursday, May 23, 2024 – approximately 30 (town clerk only) no other departments.
- Kim, myself along with Village of Avon met with Design FM for some ideas on updating our website. Our vendor will send us some mock ups and make some decisions. Vendor was very accommodating on making changes, giving us ideas what to change.
- Recording on 3rd floor. Will continue Board meetings on 2nd floor, if ok w/ everyone. We will touch base with vendor to see if we can make continue adjustments.
- Brought to my attention that meeting dates for November 28th is Thanksgiving and need to change board meeting. We will have November meetings on the 7th & 21st. Also December (14th & 28th) are on Saturday's. We will hold December meetings on December 12th & 30th. Will complete a public notice of changes.

RESOLUTION #87 CHANGE TOWN BOARD MEETING DATES OF NOVEMBER 14TH & 28TH TO NOVEMBER 7TH & 21ST AND DECEMBER 14TH & 28TH TO DECEMBER 12TH & 30TH.

On motion of Supervisor LeFeber seconded by Councilmen Drozdziel the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to change Town Board meeting dates of November 14th & 28th to November 7th & 21st and December 14th & 28th to December 12th & 30th.

Vote of the Board: Supervisor LeFeber – Aye, Deputy Supervisor Mairs – Aye, Councilman Drozdziel – Aye, Councilman Coyne - Aye, Councilman Harrington - Aye

**RESOLUTION #88 ACCEPT STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING
RESOLUTION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS**

On motion of Supervisor LeFeber seconded by Councilmen Coyne the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to accept Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected Officials (Farrell, Torregiano, Drozdziel, Crye.)

Vote of the Board: Supervisor LeFeber – Aye, Deputy Supervisor Mairs – Aye, Councilman Drozdziel – Aye, Councilman Coyne - Aye, Councilman Harrington - Aye

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RESOLUTION #89 ACCEPT THE CLAIMS

On motion of Councilmen Harrington seconded by Deputy Supervisor Mairs the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to accept for payment Abstract 2024-10 in the following amounts:

Concerning ABSTRACT of Claims Number 2024-10 including claims as follows:

General Fund	Amounts totaling \$	36,282.01
Highway Fund	Amounts totaling \$	43,944.48
Water Fund	Amounts totaling \$	52,325.26
Cemetery Fund	No Voucher	
Opera Block Capital Improvement	No Voucher	
Royal Springs Lighting	No Voucher	
Cross Roads Drainage District	No Voucher	
Bruckel Drainage District	No Voucher	
Royal Springs Drainage	No Voucher	

Town of Avon Fire Protection
Rte. 39 Water SW2

No Voucher
No Voucher

**Vote of the Board: Supervisor LeFeber – Aye, Deputy Supervisor Mairs – Aye,
Councilman Drozdziel – Aye, Councilman Coyne - Aye, Councilman Harrington - Aye**

OPEN DISCUSSIONS:

Councilman Harrington expressed an interest in doing some work at Papermill Park.
Councilman Drozdziel is going to get some supplies to be used.

Councilman Drozdziel mentioned the Comprehensive Plan meeting invited the public in to participate in the process on May 14, 2024. The meeting went well with a lot of public participation. We also discussed openings on the Planning Board with some letters of interests. In the future we will interview these candidates. He mentioned the 3rd floor project which is nearing completion. Some work need to be done in the basement on some pillars and some painting and window washing will close out the work. Also mentioned signage will be in place soon around the building. The question was asked about the lights in the basement being on all the time. The sensor will be looked at so the lights will again be off when there is no motion in the basement.

On motion of Supervisor LeFeber, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Mairs the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Diana Farrell, Town Clerk