

Town of Denning – Town Board and Business Meeting

Meeting called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Supervisor Brooks.
Held on Tuesday, April 15th, 2020 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Brooks

Councilmen: Kevin Smith, Gregory Vurckio, Paul Schoonmaker by telephone conference.

Councilman Mike Dean Absent.

The Town Clerk Minute Book was signed prior to the meetings commencement.

The Town Clerk gave the Board members their copy of the agenda, Resolutions No. 31 thru 33 of 2020, and the Town Board Bid Fact Sheet.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Brooks a requests Motion to adopt and accept last months' minutes. Motion by Councilman Greg Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. All in favor. Councilman Dean signed a copy previously and accepted.

Correspondence – read by Supervisor Brooks

- The Supervisor informs the Board the YMCA has furloughed most of their workforce.
- The monthly donation has not come, however, Supervisor Brooks thanks, both, Director Jerry Huncosky and the Board of Directors of the Frost Valley YMCA for the continuing provision of meals for the Meals on Wheels Program, as well as all of the workers who aid in making the Program a tremendous success.
- Supervisor Brooks comments on the U.C. Resilience Program, Frost Valley is helping the County with, two residents have signed up for the Program, of which Councilman Smith is spearheading. They have been added to the Meal on Wheels as it is a better Program with a meal everyday.
- There are 700 cases in U.C., Supervisor Brooks remarks he hopes it will level off.
- Supervisor Brooks gives a "shout out" to U.C. Exec. Pat Ryan and his aid Marc Rider, he thanks the crew they have working with them, also. Further commenting his calls have been responded to and have been productive.

Planning Board Report - by Liaison, Councilman Kevin Smith

- The meeting had been cancelled due to the Covid -19, as has the March meeting as there is no new business before the Planning Board.
- Supervisor Brooks states, the Town Hall has reduced staff, everything closed to the public. The hwy. crew is now working two on, two off until April 29th.

All of the vouchers have been audited and signed by Councilmen Dean, Smith and Schoonmaker as presented by Supervisor Brooks or Hwy. Super. Van Saders.

Highway Pre Pay Vouchers presented by Supervisor Brooks.

(see Warrant #4 Pre-Pay, voucher #12-15)

MVP Healthcare, Inc. DA9060.8 \$11,275.81

Trust & Agency Acct. A9030.8 \$787.72, \$950.54, \$795.32.

Ulster County Self Insurance DA9040.8 \$8,011.94

Highway Vouchers presented by Supervisor Brooks.

(see Warrant #4, voucher #41-53)

Advance Auto Parts DA5130.4 \$102.99

Arkel Motors, Inc. A5130.4 \$1,296.68.

Buddenhagen Ford, Inc. DA5130.4 \$256.00

Bruce G. Donohue Trucking DA5142.4 \$444.87

Fleet Pride DA5130.4 \$67.42.

Robert Green DA5130.4 \$189.00

Kimball Midwest DA5130.4 \$602.92

Mombaccus Excavating DA5130.4 876.80.

North East Parts Group DA5130.4 \$1,511.63.

Truck Pro DA5130.4 \$1,524.90.

Vantage Equipment DA5130.4 \$638.31

Woods Repair DA5130.4 \$168.00

Liberty Trading Post DA5130.4 \$4.38

General Pre Pay Vouchers presented by Supervisor Brooks.
(see Warrant #4PP, voucher (#20-29)
Central Hudson A1620.4 \$290.39, A5132.4 \$380.89, A8160.4 \$41.43,
A5182.4 \$128.88
Healthcare Reimbursement Act A9060.8 \$2,500.00
MVP Health Care DA9060.8 \$8,059.68
Spectrum A1620.4 \$208.50, A5132.4 \$158.91
Trust & Agency Acct. DA9030.8 \$260.00, \$307.43, \$721.99, \$260.00.
Ulster County Self Insurance A9040.8 \$4,400.00.

General Vouchers, presented by Supervisor Brooks.
(see Warrant #4, vouchers 54-63)
Bottini Fuel Corp. A1620.4 \$312.53
Carl Landon A1460.4 \$355.50
Joy Monforte A1410.4 \$44.00
Quill Inc. A1110.2 \$1,088.27, A5132.4 \$6.69, \$ 123.34, A1620.4 824.89.
Spectrum A5132.4 \$163.62
U.C. Magistrates Association A1110.4 \$75.00
UCRRA A8160.4 \$1,725.76
Wapner, Koplovitz, & Futerfas 1420.4 \$75.00
Newman Signs A3310.4 \$104.01

Resolution No. 31 of 2020 is read by Supervisor David Brooks.

WHEREAS New York State General Municipal Law Sections 103 and 104-4 permit the pre-audit function of vouchers, as a form of internal controls in the checking of claims and supporting documentation. And

WHEREAS the Sections 118 and 119 of New York State Municipal Law also authorize the auditing authority to approve of Said vouchers. AND

WHEREAS the Office of the New York State Comptroller Division of Local Governments and Accountability: Budgets and Finances also approves of this method.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Denning Town Board **HEREBY** approves of and authorizes payment of the following Warrants:

Highway Fund Warrant No. 4 Prep Pay Voucher #12-15.
Highway Fund Warrant No. 4 Voucher #41-53.
General Fund Pre- Pay Warrant No. 4 Voucher #20-29.
General fund Warrant No. 4 Voucher #54-63.

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, and recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Kevin Smith,

2nd by Councilman Gregory Vurckio.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean ABSENT

Councilman Paul Schoonmaker AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE

Councilman Gregory Vurckio AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote, with one absentee.

Supervisor Brooks states he is going out of order as he would prefer to have Hwy. Super. Van Sadlers here when bids are opened and approved of.

Resolution No. 33 of 2020 is read by Supervisor David Brooks.

WHEREAS the Town of Denning Town Board wishes to record its deep sorrow over the passing of Mr. Chris Crowfoot; and

WHEREAS Mr. Crowfoot served as an Elected Councilman for the Town of Denning from 1986 to 2000, at which time he served as Supervisor and had served as a committee member for the Town of Denning's first Zoning Law. And

WHEREAS the Town of Denning Town Board is grateful for his many contributions as a committed citizen to his community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Denning Town Board **HEREBY** orders; Resolution No. 33 of 2020 entered into the official record of the Town and for a certified copy of this resolution be sent to his family, in recognition of his service.

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, and recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Gregory Vurckio,
2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	ABSENT	Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Gregory Vurckio	AYE
Supervisor David Brooks	AYE		

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote, with one absentee.

Supervisor Comments:

- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board; he has signed another contract for the Sundown Stream Restoration Project, and has gotten more funding.
- The Sundown Bridge will not be replaced this year; work has been done on the ROW.
- The temporary bridge will be much more difficult to install than bridge.
- Supervisor Brooks reads a letter from Judge J. Follender.

“Supervisor David Brooks and Councilmen
Town of Denning
PO Box 277
Claryville, NY 12725

RE: Court Operations During COVID-19 State of Emergency

Dear Supervisor Brooks and Councilmen:

This letter is to inform Town Board of the Court's operations during the compulsory closure. As you are well aware the Court will remain closed till the beginning of May per Executive Order, which is subject to change as the state emergency evolves. During this time of compulsory closure Governor Cuomo has signed into affect that all Town employees that are to be paid during the COVID-19 shutdown.

The Court is in compliance with the Executive Order and has updated the answering machine to indicate the closure. The Court has also made all local police agencies aware of this closure and provided them with alternate numbers to contact the Court incase of emergencies.

Moving forward, as the Court resumes its normal operations, it will start implementing new precautions to protect Court staff as well as the public. The Court will start staggering dates and times for defendants to appear in order to limit the amount of people in the Courtroom at any one time. As the Court resumes its normal operations it will be pertinent for staff to have access to PPE. The Court is open to any suggestions that the Town Board members may have to improve upon Court safety as it resumes normal operations in the near future.

Very Truly yours,
Hon. Jonathan Follender
Denning Town Justice “

- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board that two drive thru testing sites have been set up, one at Ellenville Hospital, and at Tech City, you must have a doctors note for the test and an appointment or you will not be seen. If you need a doctor, call Ulster County and they will help you.

Highway Superintendent Dan Van Sadlers arrives late.

7 Bids have been received, they are opened and read by Town Clerk Joy Monforte. They are 209 Sand & Gravel, WLG, E. Tetz & Sons, Donohue Trucking, Mombaccus. Callanan Industries and Shaefer Enterprises. See Addendum to the minute book. Bids are reviewed by the Town Board and Hwy. Super. Van Sadlers.

Resolution No. 32 of 2020 is read by Supervisor David Brooks.

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law section 103 requires municipalities to go to bid and accept the lowest bid price, And

WHEREAS, following careful consideration by the Town of Denning Highway Superintendent and the Town Board. And

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law § 103 (16) permits local governments to “piggy back” off of other municipal bids; for apparatus, materials, equipment supplies and to contract for additional services related to the afore

mentioned off of any local, state, or federal government contract, so long as the contract was in a manner that is consistent with competitive bidding laws. And

WHEREAS, Town Law section § 5-36 E-1 authorizes Town Boards to waive Said bid if it is in the Town's best interest and accept the next lowest bid,

NOW THEREFORE be it RESOLVED The Town of Denning **HEREBY** accepts the following bids and the Town and any other municipality may "piggy back" on any Town of Denning bid or from any other municipal or other branches of government.

209 Sand & Gravel:
Sand- Snow & Ice (Ton)-No Clay*and Bank Run (Ton)*.

WLG:
Sand – Snow & Ice (Ton)-No Clay* and Bank Run (Ton)*.

E. Tetz:
#1 & #2 Stone Mix (Ton) Low Abr.*, #1 A Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion*, and Stackable Rock (Ton)*

Bruce Donohue Trucking:
#1 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion*, #45 Stone (and Cold Patch (Ton)*, #45 Stone (Ton), Cold Patch (Ton).

Mombaccus:
Quarry Rubble (Ton)*, Low Abrasive Sand (Ton)*, Gabions (Ton)*, #2 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion*, Item #4 (Ton) - Ledge Rock*, Crusher Run (Ton) Tail Gate Spread*, Crusher Run (Ton)*, Dumped Rip Rap (Ton)*, Flat Bed Rip Rap (Ton)*, and Slope Rock (Ton)*.

Callanan:
Abrasive Sand (Ton)*, Screenings (Ton)*, Blacktop Hot Mix Type 6 & 7

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, and recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Gregory Vurckio,
2nd by Councilman Paul Schoonmaker. Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	ABSENT	Councilman Paul Schoonmaker	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Gregory Vurckio	AYE
Supervisor David Brooks	AYE		

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote, with one absentee.

Supervisor Brooks asks Hwy. Super. Van Saders how everything is functioning?

- Hwy. Super. Van Saders replies the are doing 2 on /2 off this week and next, 50% of the crew.
- Minor snow events.
- Councilman Vurckio opens a discussion on the new coupling and operation of the new backhoe. Discussion follows.
- The sweeper has been serviced.
- Solenoid on the grader repaired.
- Supervisor Brooks asks Hwy. Super. Van Saders about pricing for the loader?
- Hwy. Super. Van Saders replies, he will bring next month.
- Supervisor Brooks inquires about the 284 Agreement, Hwy. Super. Van Saders replies he has not finalized it yet and is still working on it.
- Supervisor Brooks informs all present that the Winter Recovery Funds, and Pave NY is still in the budget. He also states he believes federal infrastructure funding will be available in the future.
- Supervisor Brooks asks Hwy. Super. Van Saders if he will be doing a lot of chipping and and some paving. Hwy. Super. Van Saders replies he hopes to, continuing that Peekamoose needs paving.
- Supervisor Brooks comments there is no revenue coming in right now, these are trying times but hopes, we will come out the better for it.
- Councilman Vurckio inquires if black top plants are open? Hwy. Super. Van Saders either today or the end of the month.
- Hwy Super. Van Saders asks what to do about the 2/2 on and off?
- Supervisor Brooks responds; wait until April 29th, as per the Governor order and he see what happens then.
- Supervisor Brooks comments we must maintain social distancing.

- Hwy. Super. Van Sadlers opens a discussion about masks.
- Supervisor Brooks says he has an email out for masks.
- Hwy. Super. Van Sadlers continues with his report, stating two road signs were installed, yesterday, saying he forget to mark Wild Cherry Lane as private but it is rectifiable.
- Supervisor Brooks asks if he has anything else?
- Hwy. Super. Van Sadlers says we have a snow event on Friday, after that trucks will be turned over and sweeping will start.

Supervisor Brooks calls for Councilman Comments:

- Councilman Vurckio informs the Board he was going to ask about the bridge, which you answered, no word from the CWT.
- Councilman Smith comments he knows there was no time for the zoning but he would like to see that completed.
- Supervisor Brooks informs the Board of a sentence he wants to see put in the verbiage, and the need to send to the Attorney for the Town for review.
- Supervisor Brooks reports all Town employees are healthy.

Supervisor Brooks call for any further comments, topics or questions? There is none.
Supervisor Brooks calls for Councilmen Comments: See above.

No Public Comment.

Motion to adjourn 10:49 by Councilman Gregory Vurckio, 2nd by Councilman Kevin Smith, All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Monforte, RMC, Town Clerk, April 16th, 2020

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 5th, 2020 at 6 pm at the Sundown Church Hall.

