

SALEM TOWN BOARD MEETING

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February 5, 2025

Members Present: Brian Connelly Sonya Mansfield
 Diana Connelly Rick Lutzi
 Drew Moessner

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by Brian Connelly with the pledge of allegiance.

Drew Moessner made a motion to approve the agenda, Rick Lutzi amended the motion to add an item to New Business. Brian Connelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The claims presented for payment tonight are as follows:

Claim No. 11918 to 11924
 Debit Card Disbursements
 The total claims presented tonight is \$6,769.45

Payroll Checks 11859 to 11869
 The total payroll presented tonight is \$3,663.23

Rick Lutzi made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Drew Moessner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Drew Moessner made a motion to approve the minutes of January 8, 2025, Town Board meeting. Rick Lutzi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Diana Connelly read the treasurer's report:

Beginning Balance		\$564,566.87
Total Receipts		\$ 6,273.70
Total Disbursed		\$ 33,435.68
Ending Balance		\$537,404.89
Outstanding Balance		\$ 0.00
Total Per Bank Statement		\$537,404.89

Certificates of Deposit

71232	4.750%	\$158,048.48
71233	4.750%	\$ 53,575.76
71266	4.750%	\$107,146.20
71267	4.750%	\$158,040.65
71321	5.250%	\$ 27,369.79
71522	4.700%	\$ 25,856.26
	Total	\$530,037.14

Brian Connelly made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Rick Lutzi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Brian Connelly made a motion to allow Diana Connelly to re-invest CD 71522 at the best rate available. Drew Moessner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OLMSTED COUNTY SHERIFF

Zach Wagner did not attend.

OLD BUSINESS**TCPA MEETING**

Brian Connelly will attend the February meeting.

ROADS

Brian Connelly will be on Roads in February.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Reviewed the GGG open acre calculations; Drew Moessner will look over and present recommendations. The P&Z Board meetings need to be advertised in the newsletter.

OCTOA MEETING

Rick Lutzi and Diana Connelly commented on the meeting. Township Day at Capital, January 27, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS**BRYCE & BRENDA DECOOK, METES AND BOUNDS SUBDIVISION – SECTION 2, PERMIT STMB-25-01**

Ethan Kaske, TCPA presented the permit. The property owners have applied for a farmstead subdivision on a parcel of property Section 21 of Salem Township (Parcel #: 652111087403). The application proposes subdivide approximately 5 acres from the larger 37-acre, farm size, parcel. Once subdivided, the 5-acre parcel will be transferred to a relative.

Brian Connelly made a motion to approve the permit with staff recommendations. Rick Lutzi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MARK LEITZEN, REZONE A-2 AGRICULTURAL PROTECTION TO AGRICULTURAL/RESOURCE MINING DISTRICT – SECTION 25.

Ethan Kaske, TCPA presented the application to rezone approximately fifty (50) acres in the Northwest ¼ of Section 25, Salem Township from (A-2); Agricultural Protection District to Agricultural/Resource Mining District (AG/RM). Access is proposed to be achieved from CR 117 SW through the existing sand and gravel operation.

Bill Tointon, WSE Massey explained the reason for rezoning all 50 acres instead of the approximately 15 acres of mining area. Mr. Tointon stated the exact location of the mining, pond, roads and berms has not been determined and more area proposed to be zoned can be reduced without a public hearing, however, increasing a rezone area would require a public hearing.

Mr. Tointon answered questions about the potential of wetlands. Any wetlands and impacts to wetlands would be addressed in the future with a Conditional Use Permit (CUP).

Drew Moessner made a motion to approve the rezoning application as presented. Brian Connelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Rick Lutzi abstained from voting.

2025 TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS

Township Elections will be held on March 11, 2025, 4:00pm-8:00pm. Brian Connelly is running for Supervisor for a 3-year Term and Diana Connelly is running for Treasurer for a 2-year Term.

Rick Lutzi made a motion to approve the Election Judges of Sonya Mansfield, Sharon Petersen, Paula Chantigian, Teresa Carstensen, and Char Lutzi. Drew Moessner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEWSLETTER

Diana Connelly presented a draft newsletter to the Board for review. Diana Connelly will make additions and revisions. The plan is to send the newsletter to residents on February 20, 2025.

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

The Board reviewed the Annual Meeting Agenda and made additions and revisions.

FDIC

First Security Bank of Byron has the Township accounts insured for the fund amount.

INVESTMENT CD SIGNEE

Drew Moessner made a motion to add Sonya Mansfield as a second signer on the account with Diana Connelly. Rick Lutzi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

QUOTES FOR SERVICES 2025-2026 LETTER

Brian Connelly made a motion to approve the letter with additions and revisions. Drew Moessner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Send letters requesting quotes to the current vendors.

Drew Moessner made a motion to advertise quotes for services in the paper. Brian Connelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STATE DIASTER AID

Drew Moessner will look over the information for State Disaster Aid for the summer of 2024 flooding in the Township. Sonya Mansfield gave Drew Moessner the information which was submitted to Olmsted County.

STATUS OF ITEMS DISCUSSED LAST MONTH

None.

ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD BY BOARD MEMBERS

Diana Connelly – website issue with past minutes, will fix issue and continue one year rolling calendar of meeting minutes.

Sonya Mansfield – KMTEL.com connected and installed internet service to the Town Hall. Wi-Fi is setup and working.

Drew Moessner – Minutes and claims out earlier before the meeting.

Brian Connelly – Mark Brekke ditch/culvert driveway issues. Gillenwater/Anderson issue.

Rick Lutzi-None.

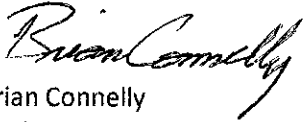
CITIZEN COMMENT

John Donovan inquired about a contractor for bathrooms in the Town Hall.

David Rassel inquired about grading the County Line Road with Canisteo Township. Also, inquired about possibility of chloride being applied prior to road construction on the County Road 5/25 project.

Brian Connelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25pm. Drew Moessner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Connelly
Chairman



Sonya Mansfield
Clerk