

**Town of Malone  
Regular Board Meeting  
August 5, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Malone Town Board was held Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at the Malone Town Offices, 27 Airport Rd., Malone, NY, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Howard Maneely  
Deputy Supervisor Paul Walbridge  
Councilor Mary Scharf  
Councilor Louise Taylor  
Councilor John Sullivan

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Denice Hudson, Town Clerk

**ALSO PRESENT:** Andrea Stewart, Budget Officer  
Bruce Mallette, Highway Superintendent  
Lillian Anderson-Duffy, Attorney  
Christa Burgin, Malone Telegram  
Nancy Legacy, Malone

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Maneely called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with a pledge to the flag.

**MINUTES:**

Approval of July 22, 2015 regular meeting.

**Motion** – Councilor Taylor

**Second** – Councilor Scharf

**Resolved (#202 – 2015)** to accept the Minutes of July 22, 2015 and place in file.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**REPORTS:**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#202a – 2015)** to accept the following reports for review and filing as written and placed in the file: Town Clerk/Registrar – 7/2015, Airport Manager – 7/2015 Log, Supt. of Highways Report – 7/2015, Budget to Actual Report – through 7/31/2015, Code Officer Report – 7/2015, NYS Comptroller Court Report – 6/2015.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf – Aye**

Supervisor Maneely asked about the Justice Court May Report. Budget Officer Stewart indicated it is still in process between Court and Albany.

**BOARD MEMBER/COMMITTEE ITEMS:**

Councilor Scharf wanted to notify everyone that Complete Streets is looking for possibilities of grants as the estimate is in the \$200,000 to \$210,000 range for the WalMart sidewalk project. The latest round of grants offered had a 20% in-kind service and/or matching funds. Supervisor Maneely stated he would speak with Stefanik when she comes to fair and see if she could help us. Councilor Scharf further indicated there were two new members for Complete Streets, one being Wayne Miller, who has written many grants.

Councilor Scharf also report on the solar installation at the Airport. Last she heard they were discussing permitting with Budget Officer Stewart. Budget Officer Stewart indicated all the bills were to be designated to Town of Malone. The last discussion Councilor Scharf had was regarding a problem in Court with municipalities having different meters. Municipalities were being reimbursed for what they paid, and National Grid was a not getting their full amount of money because they were reimbursing more money than they were being charged. They needed to find the fee for net metering. Councilor Scharf indicated they keep changing the rules. There needs to be a way to make it equitable for both parties.

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Attorney Anderson-Duffy added that she spoke with Potsdam on the solar at the airport. She spoke to the code officer, head of planning board and the engineer at Clarkson regarding solar farm next to the Airport. She was told there was a law change regarding offsite metering. They reimbursement was double the rate through offsite metering and the law has been changed. The solar panel farm and monies they are saving now, that cannot happen again because the law has been changed. They do not have a law in place, they relied on the SEQRA process.

Councilor Sullivan spoke on Robinson Circle and indicated there is an impasse with the driveway at the south end. Mr. Robinson was going to give the Town the right-of-way in exchange for the abandoned circle. The state says that we have to build the road first, and they would sell the abandoned circle at fair market value to the highest bidder. I do not know if Mr. Robinson is going to go for that. Therefore, it is on hold.

**SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS:**

Superintendent Mallette presented a bid for a truck/tractor to replace the low boy to be put out for bid in a couple weeks.

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Sullivan

**Resolved (#203 – 2015)** to place bid notice for 2016 Model Year Day Cab Truck/Tractor as recommended by Highway Superintendent Bruce Mallette to be paid for by CHIPS funds and advertised in The Malone Telegram and Press Republican one time for two weeks, bid return August 21, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Town Office, 27 Airport Road, Malone, New York.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf – Aye**

Superintendent Mallette stated we are coming along good on the Arnold Road. We are going to raise it up and do work at intersection and first culvert. Right now there is only one plant open for blacktop in Malone. Greymont is the closest to us. The County was paving and was shut down because the State had a project. Supervisor Maneely asked where we would obtain blacktop, and Superintendent Mallette stated Greymont has the bid and as long as it is available we will get from them. Superintendent Mallette further stated he went to Watertown and rented a roller to compact the dirt and get ready for blacktopping.

Superintendent Mallette had a meeting with DEC on Shova Road about what could be done with bridge. DEC spoke of what size culvert we can put in. We could replace with bridge, but we are talking close to \$50,000. If we contracted out it would be over \$100,000. The estimate for a culvert is approximately \$25,400, not counting concrete and labor. I do not believe we can do this year. If we have enough money I budget, we will purchase culvert this year.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#204 – 2015)** to grant permission to Budget Officer to transfer \$9,632.30 from A690 Clearing House to A2610 Fines/Fees – (980 revenues) as per NYS Comptroller Notice for June 2015.

**CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf – Aye**

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**At 6:20 p.m. Motion** – Supervisor Maneely

**Second** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Resolved (#205 – 2015)** that the Town Board enters into Executive Session pertaining to the employment history of, and matters leading to, the employment, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person, with Board Members and Attorney to be present.

**CARRIED (5- 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**At 6:55 p.m.** the executive session ended with no action taken.

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Sullivan

**Resolved (#205a – 2015)** to return to regular session.

**CARRIED (5- 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf – Aye**

**Motion** – Councilor Scharf

**Second** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**(Resolved #206 – 2015)** to accept Blue Mountain Engineering’s proposal to do a study for the Route 11 Sidewalk without charge to the Town.

**CARRIED (5- 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf – Aye**

**BILLS FOR AUDIT & PAYMENT:**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved (#206a - 2015):** that the following bills, having been audited,  
Vouchers #651 - 684 to be paid:

General Fund (A) – Abstract #14	\$20,600.82
Part Town General (B) – Abstract #13	3,071.97
Highway Outside (DB) – Abstract #14	13,754.80
East Water (FE) - Abstract #8	122.15
Trust & Agency (T) – Abstract #29	<u>257.60</u>
Grand Total:	\$37,807.34

**CARRIED (5- 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan – Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**ADJOURN:**

**At 6:56 p.m.**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Sullivan

**Resolved (#207 – 2015)** there being no further business to come before the Board that it adjourn, with the next meeting to be August 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

**CARRIED (5- 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye  
Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

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DENICE A. HUDSON, TOWN CLERK