

**Town of Malone
Regular Board Meeting
February 28, 2018**

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Malone was held Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at the Town Offices, 27 Airport Road, Malone, New York, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Andrea Stewart
Deputy Supervisor Terry Maguire
Councilor Louise Taylor
Councilor Candy Gadway

ABSENT: Councilor Ed Lockwood

ALSO PRESENT: Deborah Hutchins, Town Clerk
Denice Hudson, Budget Officer
Bruce Mallette, Superintendent of Highways
Bruce Burditt, Airport Service Worker
Mike Fournier, Malone
Lars Tennyson, Malone

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

At this time Supervisor Stewart invited Mike Fournier, Malone resident, to speak at his request. Mr. Fournier stated he was present to represent himself and FARM (Friends Against Rural Mismanagement). He brought up the topic of Property Value Guarantee (PVG). He indicated that this is being done all over the United States. He read some information in a newspaper article called the Vineyard Gazette relative to sound effects from solar farms. The summary of the article is that the solar company stated they did not anticipate the noise level that resulted from this particular solar farm. The residents at this located were assured that noise would not be an issue, however, it very much was a problem. He did provide a copy of the article to the Town Board. Mr. Fournier then read a document relative to the Town of Hammond, NY and how they handle PVG relative to their solar project. He read the various methods they use for determining property values as it relates to PVG with respect to their solar project and adopted in to town law in 2011. A copy of this document was also provided to the Town Board. Mr. Fournier then stated he is challenging the four Republicans on the Malone Town Board to put an end to the electric charging station before it is installed as he feels it is a bad deal for Malone. He then ended by again stressing the importance of Property Value Guarantee.

Supervisor Stewart thanked Mr. Fournier for all of his research and submittals to the Commission.

MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 72-2018

On a motion of Councilor Taylor, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Maguire, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2018 Regular Meeting as noted and corrected (duplicate names on attendance).

REPORTS:

RESOLUTION 73-2018

On a motion of Deputy Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Councilor Taylor, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve the following reports: Justice Report (Robert) – 01/2018.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 74-2018 – Appointment of Consultant for Microenterprise Grant

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On a motion of Councilor Gadway, seconded by Councilor Taylor, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve appointment of CT Male Associates as the consultant for the Microenterprise Business Grant as presented. CT Male was the only firm that responded to the solicitation for proposals that was sent out per state requirement.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Supervisor Stewart stated that she met with Jim Thatcher last week relative to this grant. She indicated that she and the Budget Officer have been taking webinars relative to the grant administration. The guidelines for this program need to be approved. She stated she understands that it should be geared toward Main Street (downtown). She stated that she is fine with both the Program Design Plan and the Training Plan as presented. The third section is the Review Committee which reviews and ranks the applications. She reviewed the suggested make-up of the committee. Supervisor Stewart recommended that the Town Grant Committee members to include Councilor Taylor and Councilor Gadway be on this particular committee to represent the Town. She also stated that Brian Langdon and Norm Bonner have agreed to represent the Village. Jeremy Evans, County IDA Director, is willing to serve. Darcy King, Branch Manager at Community Bank-downtown, is willing to serve on the committee as well. Supervisor Stewart stated she is also in the process of seeking out a business owner (retired or active) that would not be able to benefit from a grant and would be willing to serve on the committee and make up the 7th member.

Councilor Gadway stated she feels an officer from the Chamber would be beneficial on this committee as well. Supervisor Stewart stated that she will reach out to a couple of the Chamber officers (Terry Mulverhill and Andrew Knowles).

RESOLUTION 75-2018 – Grant Program Design/Training Plans/Review Committee

On a motion of Deputy Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Councilor Taylor, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve the Grant Program Design Plan, Training Plan and Review Committee members as presented.

Supervisor Stewart stated that the new airport beacon has been installed.

RESOLUTION 76-2018 – MCF Physicals

On a motion of Councilor Taylor, seconded by Councilor Gadway, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve permission for the Supervisor to sign the following MCF Physical for John Russell, and add to the Franklin County Self Insurance Plan.

Supervisor Stewart then reported that there was a public hearing at the Franklin County IDA yesterday with regard to entering in to an agreement with the owners who have recently purchased the Riverside Building. This arrangement will allow them to purchase goods free of tax which is estimated to be approximately a \$130,000 credit which can be put back in to the building and business.

BOARD MEMBER/COMMITTEE ITEMS:

Councilor Gadway thanked Supervisor Stewart for her work on these grants and also thanked the prior Board of Supervisor Maneely, Councilors Lockwood, Scharf, Taylor, and Sullivan for their work on the grants. She then reported she is still working on the Town's website and Facebook page and hopes to launch the Facebook page next month. She further discussed the information that can be shared on the Facebook page to educate the public on what is happening in the Town. Councilor Gadway then referred to an article that was presented to all with regard to streaming meetings live and some potential concerns. She requested that the Board approve a motion to have the Town Attorney look in to the legalities of streaming meetings live prior to continuing further on the process to do the streaming.

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RESOLUTION 77-2018 – Legalities of Streaming Meetings Live

On a motion of Councilor Gadway, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Maguire, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve the Town Attorney to review the legalities of streaming Town Board meetings live.

Deputy Supervisor Maguire – reported that there is a Rec Park meeting on March 6th which he will be attending and discussed potential agenda items for this meeting (hiring of Rec Park Manager, budget, etc.). He then stated that Wayne Walbridge has submitted a letter of interest to continue on the Rec Park Commission.

RESOLUTION 78-2018 – Wayne Walbridge Reappointment Rec Park Commission

On a motion of Deputy Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Councilor Gadway, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve the reappointment of Wayne Walbridge to the Rec Park Commission for a seven-year term ending 03/01/2024.

Deputy Supervisor Maguire then reported that he has met with Justice Gardner regarding bail account(s) reconciliation. Supervisor Stewart then reported that the Justice Audit is scheduled to be presented at the next meeting on March 14th. Deputy Supervisor Maguire praised Justice Gardner for his courtroom operation as he recently observed and stated he feels it is very well organized and professional.

Councilor Taylor reported that she attended a business after hours event on February 15th at Mo's that was put on by the Chamber. She also reported that the Court is going well.

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS:

Superintendent Mallette reported that he and many other area superintendents will be participating in a soil erosion class free of charge. He also reported that he is continuing to work on projects relative to Bridge NY funding to include Warner Road culvert work and a couple others. He stated he is continuing to work on the paperwork for the auction.

AIRPORT SERVICE WORKER:

Bruce Burditt reported on the Airport Lighting Project. The installation of the new airport beacon light is complete and he is very pleased. The runway end identifier lights are up and running and the precision approach path indicators are in place and just waiting for FAA approval to finalize. He further explained the function of these lights.

CORRESPONDENCE:

RESOLUTION 79-2018 – Clinton/Essex/Franklin Town Clerk's Association Meeting

On a motion of Councilor Taylor, seconded by Councilor Gadway, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve permission for Town Clerk Hutchins to attend the March 27th Meeting of the Clinton/Essex/Franklin Town Clerks' Association in Plattsburgh, with all expenses paid by the Town.

Correspondence was received and reviewed regarding the Malone Auto Club's use of the Malone Recreation Park for their 39th Annual Auto Show and Flea Market

RESOLUTION 80-2018 – AECOM NY Backbone Execution Plan-Type 1 SEORA

On a motion of Deputy Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Councilor Taylor, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

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Resolved to concur and approve NYPA as the designated SEQRA Lead Agency for the Community Backbone Execution Plan as presented.

RESOLUTION 81-2018 – Highway Superintendent Spring 2018 Workshops

On a motion of Councilor Gadway, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Maguire, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved for permission for the Highway Superintendent to attend the following 2018 Spring Workshops: April 25th-Storm Water Management, May 3rd-Running Your Highway Department, May 16th-Powers and Duties, May 24th-Pavement Maintenance, and April 10th-Local Roads Done Right, with all expenses paid by the Town, Registration totaling \$250.00.

RESOLUTION 82-2018 – Malone Health Officer Appointment

On a motion of Supervisor Stewart, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Maguire, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved to approve the reappointment of Dr. Glen Champagne as the Town Health Officer with a term ending 11/20/2021.

At this time Supervisor Stewart asked the Board to review the sample draft solar laws in NYS as provided and report back with input for inclusion in our Town law. She will then provide this information to our attorney so work can begin to get the law finalized soon.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BILLS FOR AUDIT & PAYMENT:

RESOLUTION 83-2018

On a motion of Councilor Gadway, seconded by Councilor Taylor, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Stewart, Maguire, Gadway, Taylor
Nays 0

Resolved that the following bills, having been audited and approved for payment, Vouchers # 200-226

	2017	2018
General Fund (A) – Abstract #5		\$24,044.49
Part Town (B) – Abstract #3		58.23
Highway Townwide (DA) – Abstract #4		4,271.23
Highway Outside (DB) – Abstract #4		114.00
Trust & Agency (T) – Abstract #7		16.68
Airport Capital Projects (H4) – Abstract #3	\$13,861.45	
SubTotals	\$13,861.45	\$28,504.63
GRAND TOTAL:	\$42,366.08	

ADJOURN:

RESOLUTION 84-2018

With no further business to be brought before the Board and on a motion of Deputy Supervisor Maguire, seconded by Councilor Taylor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with the IDA Meeting to begin at 5:45 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

DEBORAH A. HUTCHINS, TOWN CLERK