A regular meeting of the Malone Town Board was held Wednesday, June 24, 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 Despo Baltoumas, <u>Malone Telegram</u>

Mary Fredenburg, Malone Giles Legacy, Malone

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

## **MINUTES:**

Approval of June 10, 2015 regular meeting.

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved** (#172 - 2015) to accept the Minutes of June 10, 2015 with modification to Resolution #165-2015 adding that the highway department laborer and highway clerk positions are both part-time, 20-hour per week positions, and to place in file.

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

## **REPORTS**:

**Motion** – Councilor Scharf **Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved** (#173 – 2015) to accept the following report for review and filing as written and placed in the file: Airport Manager – May 2015 Log; Supt. of Highways – May 2015; Supervisor Report – May 2015, Budget to Actual Report – Through May 31, 2015; Airport Lease Manager – Through mid-June 2015; Code Officer – May 2015.

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

Councilor Scharf had question regarding a statement on the Code Report about speaking with Apex Solar regarding permit. Councilor Scharf asked if we had heard from National Grid. Supervisor Maneely indicated we had not heard from National Grid. Councilor Scharf further asked if they applied for a permit. Supervisor Maneely stated Bob called them and told them they needed one. Councilor Scharf stated she spoke to them last week and they were still waiting to hear from National Grid. She further stated Janet Duprey indicated she would get back in touch with me when the session was complete, and she has not.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Limekiln Road Abandonment Update**

Danny Goodman completed stub searches for all properties that are affected by the proposed abandonment of the unpaved portion of the Limekiln Road and he has provided certification as far as the work he has completed and his determination that the list of property owners are the proper persons to be notified under the Section 205(2) of the Highway Law.

Motion - Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved** (#174 – 2015) to set a Public Hearing to be run by Jon Hutchins, Franklin County Highway Superintendent, for July 22, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. for the Limekiln Road Abandonment at 27 Airport Road, Malone, to be published in The Malone Telegram with Notices sent to property owners affected by the abandonment.

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

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Sullivan

Resolved (#175 – 2015) to grant Supervisor Maneely permission to sign the federal grant application package for the AWOS design and construction as per the FAA. CARRIED (5 - 0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf – Aye

#### **SUPERVISOR REPORTS:**

# **Electrical Vault Project**

Supervisor Maneely reported construction began June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Supervisor Maneely proposed two signs be erected going into the Town of Malone stating Home of Derek Sprague, President PGA of America 2015. The Village has agreed to buy two, the Chamber is going to purchase one, and the Golf Course will buy the other. These signs would be \$150.00 each. Councilor Scharf indicated Derek went and lobbied for the bed tax in Albany and has a great deal of pull with his position, and wants to say thank-you. If our citizens participate for our community in this way, I want to go on record as saying thank-you. We have been waiting years for this tax. Hopefully it will improve tourism in Franklin County. Deputy Supervisor Walbridge indicated Mr. Sprague has a lot of clout for citizens as he is PGA of America President.

Motion – Deputy Supevisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

(**Resolved #176** – **2015**) to authorize the Town of Malone to spend \$300.00, \$150.00 per sign, to erect two signs at the beginning of the Town of Malone marking the fact that Derek Sprague has been elected President of the PGA of America.

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

# **JCEO Grant Application**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

(Resolved #177 - 2015) to Support Resolution endorsing \$1.2 Million Dollar Grant Application through The North Country Regional Task Force for JCEO as presented to Board.

# ENDORSING JOINT COUNSEL FOR ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY OF CLINTON AND FRANKLIN COUNTIES, INC.'S \$1.2 MILLION DOLLAR GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE NORTH COUNTRY REGIONAL TASK FORCE TO NYSERDA

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Malone is determined to continue pursuing economic development initiatives that will enhance job opportunities for its citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** the Joint Counsel for Economic Opportunity of Clinton and Franklin Counties, Inc.'s proposes an application for a \$1.2 Million Dollar Grant to secure funding of a Greenhouse; and

**WHEREAS**, the Joint Counsel for Economic Opportunity of Clinton and Franklin Counties, Inc.'s project supports the goals of the Town of Malone's Comprehensive Plan to improve the economic and environmental climate of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the facility would be located adjacent to the Franklin County Solid Waste Authority Landfill and utilize methane gas that is currently being burned into the atmosphere to heat the Greenhouse and Production facility; and

**WHEREAS,** Citizens of the Town of Malone would benefit due to the creation of 10-12 full-time jobs with good pay scales and benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, a great agriculture achievement would be created by growing over 250,000 pounds of tomatoes yearly to be sold to local wholesalers who would market locally for year round consumption, and a secondary market for tomato seconds would be established at the JCEO certified kitchen for the production of salsa which would add additional jobs to the Community in addition to the 10-12 created at the new greenhouse.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Board of the Town of Malone does hereby support Joint Counsel for Economic Development Opportunity of Clinton and Franklin Counties, Inc.'s \$1.2 Million Dollar Grant Application as this grant would create full-time jobs to local citizens, promote agriculture, and eliminate greenhouse gasses that pollute the atmosphere.

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

Supervisor Maneely was approached by the gentlemen working on the vault that is doing a job at Saranac Lake Airport and he wants to know if he can rent Town equipment and take to Saranac Lake Airport for a period of time and pay us \$1,000.00.

**Motion** – Councilor Taylor

Second – Councilor Sullivan

(Resolved #178 - 2015) to allow Baseline to take our equipment to Saranac Lake for a short period of time for a payment of \$1,000.00.

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

# **SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS**

Working on Arnold Road. Had to pull grater off of that and go away from that to get dirt roads caught up so we can get dust control down. On rainy days we are hauling sand. The South part of town was hit hard with rain and storms. Have been patching up parts that were hit hard.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

# **Billing for Sewer District**

Budget Officer Stewart provided a draft letter to property owners for Sewer District #2 that are responsible for the debt on construction project. Budget Officer Stewart stated that even though we have not yet closed for long-term financing, the financing entity has let us know a principal payment is due this fall regardless. Tim Burley and I worked up figures and amounts for those responsible. The formula was agreed to before construction started, and we memorialized it in an amendment to the Sewer Law. My thought is to get the bills out as soon as possible and give them until mid-August to pay. If there is an issue, I will send a reminder. Bottom line is if it does not get paid, it will end up as a relevy. I would rather have a cash flow. There should not be any issues as they would not be able to be in business without the Sewer line.

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved** (#179 - 2015) to approve the letter to property owners that will take part in the new Sewer District apprising them of our payment schedule and also their remittance of payment by August 10, 2015.

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

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

**Resolved** (#180 - 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, Highway Superintendent, and Budget Officer Stewart.

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

At 6:40 p.m. the executive session ended.

Motion - Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

Resolved (#181 - 2015) to fill seasonal job at Highway Department at the request of the Board, with Gary Mallette, part-time, no benefits, at an hourly employee, per-diem.

CARRIED (5-0) – Supervisor Maneely - Aye Deputy Supervisor Walbridge – Aye

Councilor Sullivan - Aye Councilor Taylor - Aye Councilor Scharf - Aye

Attorney Anderson-Duffy apologized to the Board for the delay on the Public Hearing for Limekiln Road. She indicated it was January 2015 when the abandonment first came up. She was provided the legal description on March 12 and reported same at next meeting. Her husband then became ill and she missed several meetings. Wanted to apologize for any inconvenience it caused.

#### **BILLS FOR AUDIT & PAYMENT:**

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

**Second** – Councilor Taylor

Resolved (#182 - 2015): that the following bills, having been audited,

Vouchers #549-567, be paid:

General Fund (A) – Abstract #12	\$18,851.14
Part Town General – Abstract #11	33.83
Highway Outside (DB) – Abstract #12	5,598.96
Airport Capital Project (H4) - Abstract #7	1,336.76
Trust & Agency (T) – Abstract #24	28,791.87
Grand Total:	\$54,512.56

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

Motion – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second - Councilor Scharf

(**Resolved** (#183 - 2015) to alter meeting schedule in July to include one meeting on July 22 at 6:00 p.m. preceded by the IDA Meeting at 5:45 p.m., and a Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m.

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

# **ADJOURN**:

At 6:45 p.m.

**Motion** – Deputy Supervisor Walbridge

Second – Councilor Taylor

Resolved (#184 - 2015) there being no further business to come before
The Board that it adjourn, with the next meeting to be July 22, 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,

DENICE A. HUDSON, TOWN CLERK