

**TOWN OF NORTH EAST
TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
July 19, 2019**

Councilman Present:

Supervisor Kaye
Councilman Fedele
Councilman Merwin
Councilman Chris Kennan

Councilman Absent:

Councilman John Midwood

Also in attendance was Highway Superintendent Bob Stevens.

Call to Order:

Supervisor Kaye called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Agenda:

Supervisor Kaye informed the Board that there were a few additional items that needed to be added to the agenda. Those items were a Resolution for a grant application through the Consolidated Funding Application, an update from Highway Superintendent Bob Stevens about the site work and the Town Hall to be utilized as a cooling center this weekend due to the extreme heat.

On a motion by Councilman Kennan, seconded by Councilman Fedele the following was:

ADOPTED – AYES – 4 (Kaye, Merwin, Fedele, Kennan)
NAYS – 0

RESOLVED, to amend the agenda to add the items discussed

A Special Meeting of the Town Board to Approve the Addition of a Volunteer Highway Department Employee to Assist with the Weed Cutting at Rudd Pond State Park and to Approve Insurance Coverage for Him:

James Campbell, Former Councilman has volunteered to operate the weed harvester at Rudd Pond so that we can keep the pond maintained. The highway crew has been very busy with the site work on Route 22. This would not cost the Town anything as he would like to volunteer his time as a Highway Department Employee to do this task. He does have to be approved in this position so he can be added to the Towns Insurance policy.

On a motion by Councilman Merwin, seconded by Councilman Kennan the following was:

ADOPTED – AYES – 4 (Kaye, Merwin, Fedele, Kennan)
NAYS – 0

RESOLVED, to approve adding James Campbell as a volunteer Highway Department Employee to operate the weed harvester at Rudd Pond and to be added to the Towns Insurance Policy

Resolution Authorizing Submittal of Grant Application:

The Town Board would like to submit an application through the Consolidated Funding Application for a grant to assist with the removal of the sand/salt materials from the present location on the banks of the Webatuck Creek to the proposed new highway garage location on Route 22. The Town commits to providing the 50% local match for this project in the event that the grant application is approved. The amount of the grant that the Town is requesting is \$485,000. Town Clerk Cope read the resolution into the record.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Town of North East is in the process of preparing an application for a grant from New York State to assist in the funding of the removal of the sand/salt storage material from its present location on the banks of the Webatuck Creek and its relocation to the proposed new highway garage location; and

WHEREAS, the application will be made for a grant from the Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) Program through the Consolidated Funding (CFA) application processed through the Grants Gateway portal of New York State; and

WHEREAS, the State requires a Resolution from the Town of North East authorizing the grant application and committing the Town to the requirement 50% local match for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to submit a CFA application for a grant in the amount of \$485,000 to assist in the removal of the sand/salt storage material from its present location on the banks of the Webatuck Creek and to be relocated to appropriate storage at the new proposed highway garage location; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board commits to providing the 50% local match for this project in the event the grant application is approved.

This motion was offered by Town Board member Chris Kennan and was seconded by Town Board member John Merwin.

MOTION: Chris Kennan

SECOND: John Merwin

SUPERVISOR KAYE	Voted AYE
COUNCILMAN FEDELE	Voted AYE
COUNCILMAN KENNAN	Voted AYE
COUNCILMAN MERWIN	Voted AYE
COUNCILMAN MIDWOOD	Voted ABSENT

The Resolution was carried by a 4-0 vote of the Town Board members on July 19, 2019.

Lisa Cope,
Town Clerk, Town of North East

Update on Site Work:

Bob Stevens gave update on the site work on Route 22 for the new highway garage. Mr. Stevens said they have started stripping the top soil. Should be done with Phase 1 and 2 of stripping the top soil by next week, next will come the removal of the gravel.

Town Hall Cooling Center:

Supervisor Kaye announced that due to the extreme heat that is expected this weekend that the Town Hall will be utilized as a cooling center for anyone who would like to stop by on Saturday and Sunday from 12pm-5pm. Supervisor Kaye asked the Board Members present to volunteer some time to man the cooling center. The Board Members each volunteered some time on each day to be here in the building in case someone showed up.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Councilman Fedele, seconded by Councilman Kennan the following was:

ADOPTED – AYES – 4 (Kaye, Kennan, Merwin, Fedele)

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NAYS – 0

RESOLVED, to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Cope
Town Clerk

Approved: August 8, 2019