

Supervisor James Schmitt opened the regular meeting of the town board of the Town of Pawling at 6:00 PM February 14, 2024 at Pawling Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling, New York. Present were councilwomen Snow and Pitt, councilmen Mygan and McCarthy, Nancy Tagliaferro, town attorney, Scott J. Steiner, town attorney, and approximately 5 interested citizens.

MINUTES

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion to acknowledge the minutes of December 6, 2023, seconded by Councilman McCarthy, and passed unanimously.

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion to acknowledge the minutes of December 13, 2023, seconded by Councilman McCarthy, and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Schmitt opened the meeting for public comment on agenda items, there were none.

RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION 2024-046
Payment of Bills for the Town of Pawling**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling bookkeeper has reviewed and prepared the vouchers and has offered them for review, and

WHEREAS, the vouchers have been approved in accordance with the Town of Pawling policy, and

WHEREAS, the vouchers have been numbered 20240001 through 20240131, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the town board of the Town of Pawling hereby accepts the vouchers as prepared and on the recommendation of the bookkeeper and hereby authorizes payment of said vouchers for the Town of Pawling on this date in the amount of \$353,524.09.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt

SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – “AYE”

Councilman Mygan – “AYE”

Councilman McCarthy – “AYE”

Councilwoman Snow - “AYE”

Supervisor Schmitt – “AYE”

**RESOLUTION 2024-048
Approval of Flex Time for Legislative Aide**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Stephanie Giordano shall be compensated with Flex Time for any time worked outside normal business hours as approved by the Town Supervisor.

MOTION: Supervisor Schmitt

SECOND: Councilwoman Snow

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Pitt – “AYE”

Councilman Mygan – “AYE”

Councilman McCarthy – “AYE”

Councilwoman Snow - “AYE”

Supervisor Schmitt – “AYE”

TOWN BOARD DISCUSSION

MCCARTHY

Councilman McCarthy said he sent the full board a bid packet for the bathrooms and boathouse at Lakeside Park. He asked them to look over the packet. There will be some changes to the documents over the next couple of weeks.

Councilman McCarthy said highway superintendent Bob Brill asked the board to discuss and pass funding for bulk pickup, since it does not come out of his highway budget. Mr. Brill will conduct bulk pickup day some time in April. Bulk pickup has been done for many years. The board has discussed reevaluating this in the fall, maybe October because it has become very costly. The board will work with Mr. Brill to look at different options to make it more affordable for the town.

SNOW

Councilwoman Snow asked if the board could come up with a date for the presentation by Mark Chipkin for the conservation advisory board.

Supervisor Schmitt said Mr. Chipkin has been informed that he would be presenting at the first meeting in March.

MYGAN

Councilman Mygan said he didn't realize how costly bulk pickup was, and he feels this is a great service. He suggested as an alternative opening the transfer station to residents a couple of weekends so people can bring their stuff there, so as to alleviate any labor costs to the town. Councilman Mygan asked about executive session and asked if the meeting is adjourned before executive session, or is the meeting supposed to stay open during executive session and close the meeting when the board comes out of executive session.

Nancy Tagliaferro, town attorney said the board is not technically closing the meeting at that point. Someone makes a motion to go into executive session, but the meeting itself stays open, and then the board comes back out and closes the meeting formally. The board is not adjourning the meeting, they are just making a motion to go into executive session. She felt the adjournment item should come after executive session on the agenda.

SCHMITT

Supervisor Schmitt said the town board will be heading down to New York this weekend to the Association of Towns training. Every town in New York State is invited and there are many classes offered. It is a very informative and productive training.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Schmitt opened the meeting for public comment, there were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Schmitt made a motion at 6:15 PM to enter executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension or removal of a particular person or corporation, seconded by councilman McCarthy, motion passed unanimously.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:30 PM and adjourned the meeting. No action was taken.

Town Clerk