

7-11-2024 – JULY REGULAR MEETING

Present:

Councilman Matthew Krist
Councilman Leonard R. Hochadel
Councilman Kathleen Becker
Councilman Ethan Dabolt
Supervisor Beverly A. Gambino

Also Present:

Highway Superintendent Christopher Dabolt
Town Attorney David DiMatteo
Bookkeeper Michelle Jones
Approx. 6 guests

Supervisor Gambino called the regular July Regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM. She began with asking Gerry Whittington to lead everyone in the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Gambino stated that there were 1 set of minutes from the Public Hearing and June Regular Meeting held on June 13th to be approved. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Dabolt the minutes were approved, as submitted. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.**

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was the approval of the payment of the bills. **Warrant #7 of 2024, including vouchers #320 through #379, totaling \$738,180.46 of which \$260,602.14 was for the General Fund, \$150,912.30 was for the Highway Fund, \$325,666.01 was for the Fire Protection Fund and \$1,000.01 was for the Street Lighting Fund. On a motion by Hochadel, seconded by Becker, the Warrant was approved for payment. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.**

Departmental Reports were as follows:

Supervisor Gambino stated that she would like to hold the August 8th Regular meeting at Veteran's Park. The meeting will be held at the same time as normal. **On a motion by Becker, seconded by Hochadel, the August 8th Regular Board meeting will be held at Veteran's Park. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.**

Councilman Dabolt reminded everyone that the Town Wide Garage Sale is July 12th, 13th & 14th.

Councilman Becker reported that the senior trip to Chautauqua Lake was full and that the trip to the Erie Station Dinner Theater had about 15 people signed up.

Councilman Hochadel reported that the first concert went well and about 150 people attended. He then asked for a moment of silence for Jeanne Salmon who had recently passed away.

Councilman Krist reported that the park looks great. There was a brief discussion regarding parking and it was noted that rubber parking bumpers have been ordered. Lastly Councilman Krist noted that the roadsides on Genesee Rd has been mowed.

Superintendent Dabolt reported that all of his major road work has been done for the year. He noted that they will continue doing some spot patching and mowing. Councilman Becker asked if there was an update on planned paving of Savage Rd. Superintendent Dabolt stated that the last he heard from Erie County it would be in August sometime. Lastly, he noted that the speed limit reduction for Middle Rd was complete and the County will be placing new signs.

Attorney DiMatteo reported that the Comprehensive Plan Update was done. Mr. DiMatteo stated that there would need to be a public hearing to adopt the plan. Mr. DiMatteo stated that an EAF (environmental assessment form) will need to be done, signed and referred to the County Planner as well as the Town Planning Board. Mr. DiMatteo noted that under SEQRA the Town will also need to identify and notify other interested and involved agencies. They would be the following: The Cattaraugus County Board of Supervisors and County Planner as well as the Wyoming County Board of Supervisors and County Planner. The Towns of Arcade, Yorkshire, Ashford, Holland, Colden and Concord. The Erie County Historical Society, Erie County Parks, Erie County Ag Land Protection Board, Erie County Highway Department, Erie County Water Authority, Erie County Health Department, the Sardinia Historical Society, the NYS DOT and the NYS DEC.

It was noted that there is a copy of the updated plan is on the Town website and that copies will be available to check out from the Town Clerk at the Town Clerk's office. The board agreed to set the public hearing for the Comprehensive Plan update for October 10th at 6:30 with the Regular October meeting to follow and begin the SEQRA process. **Therefor following resolution, to be known as Resolution #8 of 2024, was moved for adoption on a motion by Krist, second by Hochadel**

Resolution #8 – 2024

TOWN OF SARDINIA

**RESOLUTION FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDED
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND REFERRING SAID PLAN TO THE COUNTY PLANNING AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sardinia held a regular meeting at the Town Hall located at 12320 Savage Road in Chaffee, New York on the 11th day of July, 2024 commencing at 6:30 p.m., at which time and place the following members were:

Present: Supervisor Gambino
Councilman Krist
Councilman Hochadel
Councilman Dabolt
Councilman Becker

WHEREAS, all Board Members, having due notice of said meeting, and that pursuant to Article 7, § 104 of the Public Officers Law, said meeting was open to the general public and due and proper notice of the time and place whereof was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sardinia, through grants received from Erie County and funding from the Town, has worked diligently over the last 3 years in preparing a new Comprehensive Plan that would replace the existing 2003 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, through the coordinated actions of a Comprehensive Plan committee, sub-committees, Town Board, Planning Board, other Town Departments, the citizens of the community, and through the Town's Planning Consultant, the Town has completed a Draft Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sardinia has determined that this Draft Comprehensive Plan is sufficiently complete for beginning the adoption process including; official agency input, SEQR coordinated review and public review and input; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act - SEQR) of the Environmental Conservation Law, the Sardinia Town Board would like to begin the environmental review process of the Comprehensive Plan by conducting a coordinated review and requesting Lead Agency status; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of a Comprehensive Plan requires referral to Erie County and the holding of a public hearing.

WHEREAS, the following entities have been identified as concerned and involved parties and notice of completion of the Draft Comprehensive Plan shall be sent to them;

1. Cattaraugus County Board of Supervisors County Planner
2. Wyoming County Board of Supervisors and County Planner.
3. Towns of Arcade
4. Town of Yorkshire
5. Town of Ashford
6. Town of Holland
7. Town of Colden
8. Town of Concord
9. Erie County Historical Society
10. Erie County Parks
11. Erie County Ag Land Protection Board
12. Erie County Highway Department
13. Erie County Water Authority
14. Erie County Health Department
15. Sardinia Historical Society
16. NYS Department of Transportation
17. NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sardinia Town Board accepts the draft of the Comprehensive Plan document dated December 2023 as complete and ready for public review and authorizes a SEQR coordinated review process requesting designation as the SEQR Lead Agency, in accordance with the SEQR regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sardinia Town Board authorizes the required referral to Erie County and the Town of Sardinia Planning Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sardinia Town Board directs that a public hearing be held, in accordance with New York State Town Law, on October 10, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. at the Sardinia Town Hall to solicit comments on the draft Comprehensive Plan; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of the document be made available for public review at the Town Hall and on the Town's website.

DULY ADOPTED, this 11th day of July, 2024 by the following vote: Becker, aye, Hochadel, aye, Krist, aye, Dabolt, aye, Gambino, aye. So resolved, 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Attorney DiMatteo then stated that the Board would need to adjourn into executive session for a personnel matter. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Dabolt, the Board went into Executive Session at 6:46 pm. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.**

On a motion by Krist, seconded by Dabolt, the Board returned from Executive Session at 8:18 pm. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.

There being no other business to come before the Board. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Dabolt, the July Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer L. Bray, RMC
Town Clerk