

REGULAR MEETING – ATHENS TOWN BOARD

June 3, 2024

The regular meeting of the Athens Town Board was called to order on June 3, 2024, was held at the Athens Municipal building 2 First St, Athens, NY

Supervisor Michael Pirrone called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following Board members were in attendance: Supervisor Pirrone, Council Members Tami Bone, Anthony Paluch and Becky Pine. Absent: Brandow

Others in attendance: Deputy Supervisor Lasher, Town Clerk Dinkelacker, Town Attorney McHugh

The following guest/residents were signed in: Diane Harris, George Greiner, Mike Campbell, Diane Michener.

VOUCHERS

The following bills were audited by the Board and ordered paid.

<u>General 2024 Abstract # 11</u>	Vouchers #223 - 259	\$12,253.15
<u>Highway 2024 Abstract # 11</u>	Vouchers # 77 - 80	\$ 4,923.40
<u>T&C 9071 RT 9W Abstract #7</u>	Voucher # 7	\$ 1,760.00

MINUTES FROM minutes for May 20, 2024 were not complete, they will be presented at the June 17th meeting.

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: Town Clerk Dinkelacker presented her report and a check for \$2,769.78 to supervisor Pirrone. A motion to accept the Clerks report was made by Pine and seconded by Bone.

Motion carried. Ayes – 4, Nos – 0, Absent/Abstains – 1.

GUEST SPEAKER: It was recommended to Ms. Harris, by the planning board, to speak to the Town planning board in regard to her building a shelter for children that were victims of human trafficking. The Town board was sympathetic to her request and advised how to proceed with her project.

Supervisor Report: Greene County Ambulatory Systems Task Force Meeting Update. The supervisor reported that this was the first meeting of the Task force. The goal of the task force is better the EMS system in Greene County. More info to follow.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: LEGAL ITEMS

- FreePoint Solar, LLC. et al. v. Town of Athens Zoning Board of Appeals. Appellate Division, Third Dept.-Case/Docket No.:CV-24-0711.
- Hailee Dickson, et al. v. Town of Athens Zoning Board of Appeals, et al. NYS Supreme Court, - Greene County-Index No.: EF2024-400.
- APO Sleepy Hollow Lake, Inc., et al, Plaintiffs (Index No. EF2023-573, Dtd. August 11, 2023) – vs Greene County Industrial Development Agency, et al.
- Coxsackie Athens CSD (Index EF2023-596, Dtd. August 17, 2023) - versus Flint Mine Solar LLC.; Greene County Industrial Development Agency; et al. Assigned to the Honorable Richard Mott, J.S.C.
- Town Attorney McHugh-Town Board legal update & explanations.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: GENERAL ITEMS

- Greene County Ambulatory Systems Task Force Meeting Update.
- ARPA FUNDS-Youth & Veterans Programs. Greene County in partnership with towns & Villages is offering each Municipality funding for community projects such as athletic fields, bleachers, food service areas, restrooms, trails & bike paths, memorials, rather than programs, uniforms & other consumables.
- YMCA Annual Triathlon Event, September 7, throughout Athens, Coxsackie, Sleepy Hollow Lake. Information & Certificate of Insurance received.
- Even Year Election Legislation, Proposed Public Hearing, Mandatory Referendum, Local Law, Change the Term of Supervisor, Town of Athens.

TOWN ACTIONS:

A motion that the Town Clerk is requested to publish appropriate notice for a public hearing. Motion carried. Ayes – 4, Nos – 0, Absent/Abstains – 1

A motion to solicit for a Data Collector for the Town Assessor, anticipated pay is \$ 18.00 per hour.

Motion was made By Bone 2nd By Pine.

Motion carried. Ayes – 4, Nos – 0, Absent/Abstains – 1

COMMUNITY INFORMATION: See attached agenda.

There will be no regular Town Board meeting on July 1, 2024

OLD BUSINESS:

- Discussion on the goals of the BESS and Solar Laws. To make them as restrictive as possible.

NEW BUSINESS:

-The ZBA needs a secretary.

-Council member Tami Bone would like to invite James Hannahs to explain funding from the state for affordable housing program.

-The Town Clerk asked to hire an Assistant to the Town Clerk, to help with the organization of the office. A motion was made by Pine and seconded by Pirrone to hire Gianna Greco at an hourly rate of \$18.00 as Assistant to the Clerk.

Motion carried. Ayes – 3(Bone, Pine, Pirrone) Nos – 1(Paluch), Absent/Abstains – 1(Brandow)

Being no other business to come before the Board.

A Motion was made by Pine and second by Bone to adjourn the June 3,2024, meeting at 7:05pm.

Motion Carried. Ayes – 4, No's – 0, Abstentions/Absents – 1.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Dinkelacker
Athens Town Clerk

**Town of Athens, NY & Town Council Meeting
Municipal Building, 2 First Street**

Michael N. Pirrone, Supervisor, Presiding.

Tentative Agenda MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024 @ 6:00pm

Please Sign In, No Sign in-Not Included in Minutes.

- **PLEDGE**
- **VOUCHERS: To Approve the Vouchers audited by the Town Board for payment.**
Motion By 2nd By AIF
EXCEPTIONS NOTED:
- **PRIOR MEETING MINUTES: To Approve the Minutes of the meetings of May 20, 2024.**
Motion By 2nd By AIF
EXCEPTIONS NOTED:
- **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT: To Accept Town Clerk Report for the month of May. Attached.**
Motion By 2nd By AIF
EXCEPTIONS NOTED:

Diana Harris requested to speak to Town Council regarding property 139.00-2-12, 127 acres, Howard Hall Road. Ms. Harris is a relative of Property Owner Erick Krein & is considering the purchase of the property. Ms. Harris 's plans for the property are to construct a facility for vulnerable, abused & exploited children. Ms. Harris was advised that the proper venue for this issue is the Town Planning Board, however, she requested the audience.

Greene County Ambulatory Systems Task Force Meeting Update.

Supervisor Report: Legal Items

1. **FreePoint Solar, LLC. et al. v. Town of Athens Zoning Board of Appeals. Appellate Division, Third Dept.-Case/Docket No.:CV-24-0711.**

- **Town Action: Motion By** **2nd By** **AIF**
EXCEPTIONS NOTED:

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Community Information:

- **June 4: Code Review Committee Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **June 8: Athens Community Day. Riverside Park.**
- **June 12: Zoning Board of Appeals. Municipal Building.**
- **June 12: Village Board Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **June 17: Town Board Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **June 26: Village Board Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **June 27: Planning Board Mtg. Municipal Building.**
- **July 1: Town Board Meeting, Cancelled. Summer Recess.**
- **July 10: Zoning Board of Appeals. Municipal Building.**
- **July 10: Village Board Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **July 15: Town Board Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **July 24: Village Board Meeting. Municipal Building.**
- **July 27: Planning Board Mtg. Municipal Building.**
- **August 24: Town & Village Yard Sale Day.**
- **September 7: Greene County YMCA Triathlon. Sleepy Hollow Lake.**

Old Business Issues: Planning Board items of concern.

- 1. Update to Code, Fees, Fine schedules.**
- 2. Committee to do codes.**
- 3. Additional, alternate members.**
- 4. Code book (Hard Copy).**
- 5. Attendance & Training., Maps**

New Business: Zoning Board of Appeals needs a secretary.

TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

TOWN OF Albion, NEW YORK
TO THE SUPERVISOR:

DATE: 6/3, 20 24

Pursuant to Section 27, Subd. 1, of the Town Law, I hereby make the following statement of all fees and moneys received by me in connection with my office, during the month above stated, excepting only such fees and moneys in application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by law:

<u>2</u>	Conservation Licenses - DECALS	<u>5</u>	to	<u>6</u>	Commission	\$	<u>1.94</u>
<u>2</u>	Marriage Licenses No.				@ <u>7.50</u>		<u>15.00</u>
<u>2</u>	Marriage Certificates				@ <u>10.00</u>		<u>20.00</u>
	Marriage Transcripts				@		
<u>2</u>	Registrar Fees				@ <u>10</u>		<u>20.00</u>
	Migratory Bird Stamps				@		<u>10.00</u>
	<u>ONE DAY Animal Care</u>						
A 1255	TOTAL TOWN CLERK FEES					\$	<u>66.94</u>
A 1010 - 1090	REAL PROPERTY TAXES \$						
	INTEREST and PENALTIES \$						
A 2001	PARK and RECREATION CHARGES						
A 2110	ZONING FEES \$				A 2115 PLANNING FEES \$		
A 2530	GAMES OF CHANCE TOWN SHARE.....LICENSE \$				FEE \$		TOTAL
A 2540	BINGO TOWN SHARE.....LICENSE \$				FEE \$		TOTAL
A 2544	<u>2</u> DOG LICENSE - SPAYED AND NEUTERED						<u>22.00</u>
	<u>1</u> DOG LICENSE - UNSPAYED AND UNNEUTERED						<u>16.00</u>
	PUREBRED LICENSE						
A 2545	OTHER LICENSES						
A 2555	BUILDING PERMITS						<u>1103.84</u>
A 2590	OTHER PERMITS						<u>150.00</u>
A 2655	MINOR SALES						
A 2770	OTHER UNCLASSIFIED REVENUES						<u>750.00</u>
	<u>Short term Rental</u>						<u>600.00</u>
	<u>Municipal Garage</u>						<u>150.00</u>
	<u>4000 @ .25</u>						

TOTAL TOWN REVENUES TO SUPERVISOR..... \$ 2768.78

- Amount paid to NEW YORK STATE COMPTROLLER for Games of Chance Licenses
- Amount paid to NEW YORK STATE COMPTROLLER for State Share of Bingo Licenses
- Amount paid to NEW YORK STATE D.E.C. for Conservation Licenses - DECALS
- Amount paid to COUNTY TREASURER for Dog Licenses
- Amount paid to NEW YORK STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT for Marriage Licenses
- Amount paid to NEW YORK STATE AGRICULTURE & MARKETS for Unspayed / Unneutered Dogs
- Amount paid to NEW YORK STATE for Sales Tax on Sale of Dogs

*Received Payment of these amounts: June 3 2024 TOTAL DISBURSED..... \$ 2858.94
[Signature] Supervisor

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF Cayuga, TOWN OF Albion, being duly sworn, says that I am the Clerk of the Town of Albion that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all Fees and Moneys received by me during the month above stated, excepting only such Fees the application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 3 day of June 2024 } [Signature] Town Clerk
[Signature] Notary Public