

Town of Schroepfel
Town Board Meeting
June 7th 2022

Present: Town Supervisor Cary Redhead, Town Board Members Zachary Gelling, Lewis Hoyt, Nicklaus Hoyt, JoAnn Nazarian and Town Clerk Darlene Owens.

At 6:02 p.m. Redhead called the meeting to order with the Pledge Allegiance.

SEQR Motion:

Gelling made a **Motion** that all actions taken tonight are excluded, exempt or Type II actions for the purpose of the State Environmental Quality Review Law unless otherwise stated, seconded by L. Hoyt. All aye Nazarian, Gelling, L. Hoyt, N. Hoyt and Redhead.

Privilege of the Floor: Richard & Becky Carp

Carp said they are on a fixed income raising 3 children and her husband has an injury and they can't make more money. Carp said they once had chicken but they were told by codes to get rid of them and they would like to get some more for the eggs and to feed their kids. Carp said she would like the ZBA fee of \$150.00 waived. The Town Board said to give them a couple days and that they would get back to them.

Dorothy Boorady

Boorady thank the board for having the residents served she said that one resident is dumping their trash during the night and they don't know where he dumping it and putting tarps over the trash also. Boorady said the police have been out to that one house twice in a week and the children are still there and that is a health problem they have rats. Redhead said that the Oswego County Health Department is involved now and that the Town doesn't have a police department so we can't help with the dumping during the night.

Cary Redhead: Brown Settlement

Redhead said the Brown Settlement Resolution they would like \$2,142.35 more in the settlement for the equipment rental the Contractors had to pay too take care of the Brown's electrical lines that were damaged by that Blue Heron.

National Honor Society Fundraiser – Dog Kennel

Redhead said the National Honor Society fundraiser for do it for the dogs brought in \$1,132.25. They received a lot of donations which was blankets, dog food, collars, leashes, supplies, treats, dog beds and bowls. Redhead said in will go into a separate account for the dog kennel.

Community Service Scholarship

Redhead read the letter from Larissa MacDonald it said "Thank you very much for the Town of Schroepfel Community Scholarship! I am grateful and honored to be chosen for this scholarship. It will help me out so much and I appreciate it! Sincerely, Larissa MacDonald."

JoAnn Nazarian: C&S

Nazarian said a couple of weeks ago during our workshop Clark discussed the Planning Board had submitted a grant application last year to do a feasibility study for a town wide sewage treatment plant so he is requesting that C&S put together another grant application this year for the feasible study for the town wide sewage treatment plant at no cost to the town. Nazarian made the **Motion** for C&S to submit the grant application on the feasibility study to do a town wide sewage treatment plant seconded by N. Hoyt. All aye Nazarian, Gelling, L. Hoyt, N. Hoyt and Redhead.

Zachary Gelling:

Gelling said back in January we designated Delegated Authority to Redhead and to handle day to day operations and it's been a total of 5 months going on 6. Gelling said when I voted for it he didn't realize you basically were giving up your say and anything. Gelling said in his opinion it has been weaponized other board members have been excluded from meetings or having input on other matters for personal gain or family member gain, canceling public meetings just by one person, sending letters to organization under the pretense of the whole board with them not knowing about it what was sent what was in it asking about the letters that were sent and not getting them to us and not getting a response. Gelling said charging mileage for pointless things that department heads get paid for that is in

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their salary he would be more than happy to give anyone the mileage sheet and you can be a judge and say yes this is what our tax payer's dollars should be spent on especially when they are for political events which are illegal. Basically strips board members taking things to a vote or having a say we had a Little League agreement going on since last March and basically no input charging them \$500.00 or not charging them \$500.00 we have gotten comment that Little League thinks the board is ignorant. The board doesn't know what's going on they haven't been involved we ask gone in executive session with done it through e-mails we say send us everything that's going on throw text with Little League we don't get anything and targeting certain board members and town employee's in the name Delegated Authority and then charging mileage for it. Gelling said while we are missing important things like deadlines for water BANS people are paying higher interest rates because we can't sign things and get things done because we have people out there worried about going to other board members house and taking pictures and showing the rest of the town. Gelling said he speaks for himself not anyone else on the board. He personally think it's been weaponized, abused and it won't stop taking away the delegated authority at least somebody can't sign a document and purchase something without the boards knowledge because that the course and they are headed down a scary path so what I have to say about that. N. Hoyt said he would like to add as a Town Board member you certainly can express your concerns that you have e thinks a lot of things that were mentioned don't fall under Delegated Authority. Gelling said not yet but now you guys are all aware and when a piece of equipment shows up and that signature that is on you N. Hoyt and you Nazarian because it was brought up because that's the road we are headed down. N. Hoyt said the Delegated Authority is something a formality a motion that as the Legislative made it doesn't take away anything if it didn't exist there are still things that continue on through the town day to day and some of the details that were describe don't all fall under the Delegated Authority. Gelling said he is just putting the board on notice. Redhead said she would give an update on the water BANS which they just received unfortunately as I have said to all the employees she will stick up for them no matter what and I have and I will sit here and listen to through executive session and emails through telephone calls and she will take the brunt of everything no matter what but when it came down to water bans she had no idea what was going on with them she doesn't. Redhead said she is new and had a meeting with the Comptroller last week and said that I should of sat with her on the water bans and she did agree with me in the office. When it came to the water bans our Comptroller and Assistant Comptroller were in a meeting and at that same time in Salvagni pointed out to our Comptroller that there are much lower rates available for the water bans said ok took the paper work and was looking to see if there were any penalties in taking and refinancing the water bans with a different bank and that was back the end of March beginning of April the same time we found out supposedly that the previous Supervisor signed off a piece of equipment she did not and actual she signed off on it with the intent to purchase the equipment according to the Comptroller that the previous Supervisor signed off on the equipment she is the one that did. Redhead which she doesn't understand why so we are replacing those tractors for B&G for parks. So e-mails come through and I said to Salvagni didn't we just have a meeting with the Comptroller regarding this and she yes so a couple of week ago she sat in executive session and took the blunt of this. Nazarian said water bans and she has been saying this to everyone through e-mail telephone conversation and in person I she is asking for as a board members is when an e-mail comes in on the water bans for example to be notified so back in March we have 4 other board members that are keeping an eye on these things so when they do happen to fall through the cracks we as a board we can follow through on those things and follow through with the Comptroller or to insure they are getting done that is what she is looking for and that is what she has repeated asked for simply to be included from the beginning and to have input to make decision and that is how they should be functioning as the Legislator branch of this Government. Redhead said the Comptroller said she was contacting the Town attorney and speaking to him and she thought he was being copied on all the e-mails and thought the Town Attorney was doing them but Caraccioli wasn't on any of the e-mails. So on the Attorneys vacation he was contacted and did the work for the water bans and yes they were late and encored the extra interest on them. Gelling said was they are all new and we are learning.

Nicklaus Hoyt:

N. Hoyt said that he was going to resign as Deputy Supervisor and would be giving his resignation to the Town Clerk.

Executive Session:

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At 6:40 Gelling made the **Motion** to go into Executive Session for # 6 the medical, financial credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation seconded by L. Hoyt. All aye Nazarian, Gelling, L. Hoyt, N. Hoyt and Redhead.

At 8:10 N. Hoyt made the **Motion** to come out of executive session without one board member and with minimal decisions made seconded by Nazarian. All aye Nazarian, Gelling, L. Hoyt, N. Hoyt and Redhead.

Nazarian made the **Motion** to add Christopher Budge to the Process Server list seconded by Redhead. All aye Nazarian, Gelling, L. Hoyt, N. Hoyt and Redhead.

At 8:17 Redhead made the **Motion** to adjourn the Town Board Meeting seconded by Gelling. All aye Nazarian, Gelling, L. Hoyt, N. Hoyt and Redhead.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene M. Owens
Town Clerk