

**Town of Northumberland  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
August 26, 2021**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Northumberland Town Board was called to order @ 8:00 AM. Following the salute to the flag, roll call was taken. Those attending included Supervisor Willard Peck; Councilman Paul Bolesh; Councilman John DeLisle and Councilman George Hodgson. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant was absent. Also attending were Clerk Denise Murphy; Town Attorney David Brennan; Building and Zoning Administrator Richard Colozza and Highway Supt David Coffinger.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no comments from the public.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Councilman John DeLisle made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2021 Town Board Meeting. Councilman Paul Bolesh seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Dog Control Officer's Report: Ed Cross submitted his Dog Control Report for July, 2021. Mr. Cross answered 4 complaints, brought 2 dogs to the Shelter, issued 2 warnings and had 1 dog bite.

2. Waste Management - Green Ridge RDF: The Town of Northumberland received Notification that the applicant has proposed a vertical expansion into the ground next to the existing landfill phase within the permitted footprint to extend the operational life and capacity of the landfill without expanding the footprint and disturbed area.

3. The Town received notification from Saratoga County Department of Public Works that County Road 29 (West River Road) where it crosses a Tributary of the Hudson River between Austin Road and Peters Road will be closed, only local traffic will be allowed. The road will be closed beginning Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> until approximately Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. The road is being closed for a culvert replacement.

4. The Town of Northumberland received notification that the 2020 Census saw an increase of 155 residents totaling 5,242 – 3% increase in population.

5. Saratoga County Soil & Water Conservation District will be holding a Tire Recycling Program on Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 4 PM – 5:30 PM. They are also accepting AG Tractor Tires by Appointment October 20 – 22 (for AG Tractor Tires contact Saratoga County directly). You must Pre-Register and be a resident of Saratoga County.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Adult Use Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites: Supervisor Willard Peck stated that he would like the Town Board to consider adopting a Local Law Opting Out of Adult Use Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites. The Town Board would need to adopt a Local Law to “Opt-Out” prior to December 31<sup>st</sup>, you can not “Opt-Out” after December 31<sup>st</sup>. Supervisor Peck stated if the Town Board “Opt-Out” you can always “Opt-In” at a later date. Supervisor Peck stated that there is to many unanswered questions, at this point. The State is currently drafting regulations Councilman John DeLisle made a motion authorizing Town Attorney David Brennan to prepare a Local Law Opting Out for allowing Adult Use Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Town Attorney Brennan stated he will prepare a draft Local Law for the Town Board’s review and then hold a Public Hearing in November.
2. Septembers Town Board Meeting: It was the consensus of the Town Board Members to hold Septembers Town Board Meeting on September 16, 2021 @ 8:00 AM.
3. Seniors requesting use of the Town Hall to hold their weekly meetings: Town Clerk Murphy stated the Seniors have contacted her to see if they could start meeting again on September 8<sup>th</sup>. It was the consensus of the Town Board Members to allow the seniors to meet weekly again at the Town Hall.
4. Supervisor Peck informed the Town Board Members that the Town received \$259,248.46 (1/2) of the American Rescue Plan. The Town will receive the other half in 2022. Supervisor Peck is recommending we wait until more guidance comes from the Federal and State as to allowable expenses.
5. FEMA: Highway Supt Coffinger reported that his department submitted documentation regarding the October 2019 Storm. The Town will be reimbursed \$34,677.29. The Town’s share is \$4,953.90.
6. Supervisor Peck informed the Town Board Members that he will be meeting with Jeff Crum, Shop Stewart, and a representative from the Teamsters Union on September 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM.
7. Highway Supt Coffinger reported that Jeffrey Dubay has resigned. Highway Supt Coffinger stated he will be interviewing candidates to fill that vacancy.
8. Solar Moratorium: Town Attorney David Brennan stated that at last month’s Meeting the Town Board discussed having a joint Workshop with the Planning Board to discuss their concerns and suggestions regarding Solar Arrays. Supervisor Peck stated that the Planning Board Members were volunteers and would like to schedule something prior to their 7:00 PM Planning Board Meeting. Tia Kilburn, Planning Clerk, stated she will reach out to the Planning Board Members to have their concerns written down and advise them the Town Board Members will be at the Town Hall on September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM.

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9. Supervisor Peck stated that the Town of Northumberland needs to decide how they wish to have Sales Tax distributed in 2022. Supervisor Peck stated that historically the Town has adopted a Resolution directing that Sales Tax be distributed directly to the Town. Councilman John DeLisle introduced Resolution #53 of 2021 –

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town of Northumberland requests that Saratoga County Treasurer distributed the Town’s Share of the 2022 Sales Tax Revenue directly to the Town as Cash in the form of direct wire transfer. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the introduction of Resolution #53 of 2021.

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”  
Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”  
Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”  
Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”

Resolution #53 of 2021 Adopted

**DESIGNATIONS**

1. Approval of Vouchers: Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution # 54 of 2021

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the following Vouchers to be paid as presented:

A (General Fund) Vouchers # 200 - # 228 Total: \$ 29,684.92  
DA (Highway Fund) Vouchers # 192 - # 217 Total: \$ 303,090.22  
SS (Sewer Fund) Voucher # 7 - #8 Total: \$ 2,522.70

Councilman John DeLisle seconded the introduction of Resolution # 54 of 2021

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”  
Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”  
Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”  
Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”

Resolution # 54 of 2021 Adopted

2. Supervisor Willard Peck previously presented the Supervisor’s Report for June, 2021 for the Town Board’s consideration. Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution # 55 of 2021 -

**BE IT RESOLVED**, pursuant to Section 125 of the Town Law, Supervisor Willard Peck rendered the following detailed statement of all money received and disbursed during June 2021:

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**GENERAL**

Balance as of 05/31/2021	\$	1,449,101.74
Increases	\$	108,041.12
Decreases	\$	68,438.88
Balance as of 06/30/2021	\$	1,488,703.98

**HIGHWAY**

Balance as of 05/31/2021	\$	560,405.01
Increases	\$	13.19
Decreases	\$	55,837.07
Balance as of 06/30/2021	\$	504,581.13

**SEWER DISTRICT #1**

Balance as of 05/31/2021	\$	10,722.87
Increases	\$	0.26
Decreases	\$	47.48
Balance as of 05/31/2021	\$	10,675.65

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board has reviewed and approved June 2021 Monthly Report by Supervisor Willard Peck as presented.

Councilman George Hodgson seconded the introduction of Resolution #55 of 2021.

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”

Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”

Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”

Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”

Resolution #55 Adopted

3. Supervisor Willard Peck previously presented the Supervisor’s Report for July, 2021 for the Town Board’s consideration. Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution # 56 of 2021 -

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**GENERAL**

Balance as of 06/30/2021	\$	1,488,703.98
Increases	\$	707,046.68
Decreases	\$	69,113.64
Balance as of 07/31/2021	\$	2,126,637.02

**HIGHWAY**

Balance as of 06/30/2021	\$	504,581.13
Increases	\$	1,253.93
Decreases	\$	68,767.62
Balance as of 07/31/2021	\$	437,067.44

**SEWER DISTRICT #1**

Balance as of 06/30/2021	\$	10,675.65
Increases	\$	0.26
Decreases	\$	31.43
Balance as of 05/31/2021	\$	10,644.49

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board has reviewed and approved July 2021 Monthly Report by Supervisor Willard Peck as presented.

Councilman George Hodgson seconded the introduction of Resolution #56 of 2021.

Supervisor Willard Peck – “Aye”

Councilman Paul Bolesh – “Aye”

Councilman John DeLisle – “Aye”

Councilman George Hodgson – “Aye”

Resolution #56 Adopted

**COMMITTEES**

Highway: Highway Supt Coffinger stated that they have placed the Top Coat on Homestead Road and have finished paving Mott Road. Highway Supt Coffinger stated that he has been working with Charlie Baker, EDP to address the road and drainage on Harris Road. Councilman John DeLisle wanted the record to show that Highway Supt Coffinger and his Highway men did an outstanding job on Mott Road.

Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion to adjourn the Town Board Meeting @ 9:10 AM. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Denise Murphy  
Town Clerk

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