

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF GENEVA  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING  
April 11, 2023**

PRESENT: Supervisor Mark Venuti                      Councilmember Robert McCarthy                      Councilmember Jeffery Dunham  
                    Councilmember Mitchell Wilber                      Councilmember Kimberly Aliperti

Recording Secretary: Lorrie S. Naegele, Geneva Town Clerk. The actions described below are not necessarily listed in order of occurrence.

Others Present: Seneca Watershed Steward Ian Smith and ten residents.

Informal Discussion – 5:30 p.m.: Informal discussion with Town Board, department heads and public.

Call to order - 6:00 p.m.: The Regular Town Board Meeting. Pledge of Allegiance/Opening – Councilmember Mitch Wilber

Privilege of the floor. Seneca Watershed Steward Ian Smith presented on the Carter Road Watershed Improvement and Educational Park Project, Phase 1. Ian expects to apply for grant funding in July; a resolution from the town board authorizing this will be on the agenda in May or June. Doreen & Ron Ferraro and Tina Yannotti, Carter Road: discussed water issues that occurred after the 5" rainstorm we had in the town. Also, it happens with only 1" of rain they would like the town to investigate a drainage pipe located at the Boys and Girls Club property and a mound diverting water from the Garlick property. Charles and Pat Certo, White Springs Road: Water issues coming from the north and would like their drains cleaned out because they are plugged. Robert Gringeri, State Rt. 14: Asked to Lower the speed on St Rt 14. The Town had sent requests for lowering the speed limit on ST.RT.14 March 2010, May 2018, June 2018, and August 10, 2021. In March 2022 we received a determination for our August 2021 request of a reduction of speed limit is not warranted at this time.

3. Gratitude's: Town assessor Vinnie Fischer for putting in long hours over many days meeting with town residents to discuss assessment issues.

4. Approval of the minutes: Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board on March 14, 2023. Motion to approve made by Councilmember McCarthy, second by Councilmember Dunham. Unanimously approved.

5. Town Clerk's report.

Questions, comments.  
The Board acknowledges receipt.

6. Code Enforcement Officer's report.

Questions, comments.  
The Board acknowledges receipt.

7. Highway Superintendent's Report:

Questions, comments.  
The Board acknowledges receipt.

8. Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report:

Questions, comments.  
The Board acknowledges receipt.

9. Supervisor's report of finances for the previous month

Questions, comments.  
The Board acknowledges receipt.

10. 2023 RESOLUTION NO. 37-2023- Approving Abstract-004, April 2023, Bills for Payment, and Prepaid Bills. Motion to approve made by Councilmember Aliperti, second by Councilmember Wilber. Unanimously approved.

**TOWN OF GENEVA, NEW YORK  
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 37-2023**

Whereas certain abstracts and bills for services and goods received or to be received by the town have been presented for payment or necessarily paid and

Whereas those abstracts and bills have been reviewed by the supervisor's bookkeeper, the supervisor, and other members of the town board, and are in proper order for payment or approval, now therefore, it is.

RESOLVED the pre-paid bills that are presented are approved and the supervisor is authorized to pay the unpaid bills.

I, Lorrie S. Naegele, Town Clerk of the Town of Geneva do hereby certify that the Town Board of the Town of Geneva adopted the resolution on April 11, 2023.

Lorrie S. Naegele  
Lorrie S. Naegele, Town Clerk

11. 2023 RESOLUTION NO. 38-2023- Accepting Review of Town Justices Records for 2022. Motion to approve made by Councilmember Dunham, second by Councilmember McCarthy. Unanimously approved.

**TOWN OF GENEVA, NEW YORK  
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 38 -2023**

Whereas the Town's independent accountants, Allied CPAs, PC, have reviewed the financial data and records of the Town Justices for the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, and have submitted a report to the Town dated February 8, 2023; now therefore it is

RESOLVED the February 8, 2023, report of Allied CPAs, PC of the financial data and records of the Town Justices for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 is accepted, and the Justices are advised to address any items noted in the report as exceptions to the agreed-upon procedures.

I, Lorrie S. Naegele, Town Clerk of the Town of Geneva do hereby certify that the Town Board of the Town of Geneva adopted the resolution on April 11, 2023.

Lorrie S. Naegele  
Lorrie S. Naegele, Town Clerk

**12. Reports of Standing Committees**

Economic Development – Meetings will be quarterly and be posted on the signboard and website.

Sustainability – The town committee is working with the city's green committee, the city's shade tree committee, and Geneva High's green club to present "Mission Zero 2: Joining Hands to Meet the Challenge" on Saturday April 22 from 10 to 2 pm at the Geneva Recreation Complex (The Ice Rink), at 666 Exchange St. Lots of booths, demonstrations, vendors, and activities for children.

Cornell's **Design Connect team is working on our future transfer station and waste management needs.** We received almost 200 surveys back from residents. In addition to the field the town owns off Route 14A west of the town hall, they are looking at the empty building and parking lot on the west side of Route 14A (former Family Bargain Center for older natives) as an alternate site; acquiring that site might be cheaper than the site development and new build on the existing property. Not much of a turn-out for the open house on March 22 (heavy rain and wind that day). The final report will be delivered in early May.

Town has entered the **HeatSmart program.** We've worked with Climate Solutions Accelerator (CSA), the partner organization that helps us with this, to submit a scope of work for official acceptance into the program. The City of Geneva is doing the same thing, and we will run our campaigns together. We will be advertising opportunities for free energy audits that give homeowners and landlords recommendation on improving energy efficiency. CSA will also help us inform residents about possible subsidies to pay for improvements.

**Free Stuff Day and Fix It Clinic** are planned for June 4 with a rain date of June 11.

Kashong Conservation Area – April 13 meeting at KCA at 6 p.m.

Communication – No meeting

Parks and Recreation – The instruments for the Harmony Park have been delivered; installation expected in the next 4-6 weeks.

**13. Supervisor's Report: Selected Meetings and Events are on the Agenda**

The town is running ads in the Finger Lakes Times, the online hiring platform Indeed, and the Rural Water Association website for a Water and Sewer Maintenance Worker to replace the opening in the department caused by the retirement of Water and Sewer Superintendent Charlie Bracko. We've received a number of applications and will be reviewing them to select the best candidate.

John Davie had been farming the field owned by the town west of the town hall for several years but no longer wishes to. We are working on a one-year lease with another farmer, Karl Davis, on similar terms, \$85.00 per tillable acre, which is the going rate for like land, with him leaving untilled a strip on the east border of the field to reduce run-off and effects on the bike park and box field.

The town has paid the city \$560,363.26 for its half share to date of the expenses for the expansion and renovation of the Marsh Creek Sewer Pump Station, \$347,547.55 from funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act, and \$212,815.71 from the sewer district fund balance.

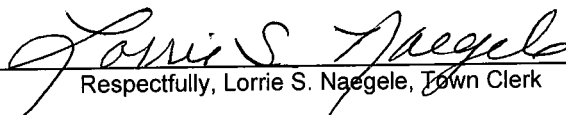
The intense rainstorm of April 5 caused flooding throughout the area, and we fielded a number of distress calls. Town forces generally cannot resolve drainage problems on private property unless caused by town facilities like roads and culverts. However, we are and have been looking at places with chronic problems and willing landowners where we can assist by bringing experts in to suggest solutions and finding funding to implement them, including from the town's stormwater fund.

**14. Old Business.** None

**15. New Business.** None

**16. Privilege of the floor.** None

**17. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting made by Councilmember Wilber, second by Councilmember Aliperti. Unanimously approved. Time 7:00 pm.

  
Respectfully, Lorrie S. Naegele, Town Clerk