

APRIL 12, 2021

Stafford Town Board Meeting Minutes

Pledge 7:30 pm

Robert Clement	Town Supervisor
Robert Pacer	Deputy Supervisor
Ronald Panek	Councilman
Donald Mullen	Councilman - absent
James Duyssen	Councilman
Julie Scheuerlein	Town Clerk
Steve Boldt	Highway Superintendent
Gerald Wood	CEO/ZEO

Others Present:

Andrew Miller
Russell Dawson
Trudie Dawson
Russell Sawson
Linda Call
Tony Prinz
Andrew Darling
Pyhiis Darling
Barb Radley

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Motion to Table March Minutes 2021 Councilman Ron Panek, **Seconded** by Councilman James Duysen.

Aye-4 Nay-0 Absent- 1 **Carried**

Motion to update website and place Facebook on hold, not public, until the content and controls have been approved by the Board, by Councilman Ron Panek, **seconded** by Councilman James Duysen.

Aye-4 Nay-0 Absent -1 **Carried**

(revised)

Town Of Stafford –Resolution #20-2021

Opposition of the Genesee County Legislature and the Monroe County Water Authorities (MCWA) Consideration of an Equalized Uniform Retail Water Rate for Customers in the Currently Defined Eastern and Western Genesee Retail Areas of Genesee County.

Resolution in opposition of the Genesee County Legislature and the Monroe County Water Authorities (MCWA) consideration of an equalized uniform retail water rate for customers in the currently defines Eastern and Western Genesee Retail Rate areas of Genesee County;

WHEREAS the Genesee County Legislature, through resolution No. 95 Recommendation To Monroe County Water Authority to Study the Establishment of a County-Wide Retail Water Service Rate for Genesee County requested a Rate Equalization Study from the MCWA; and

WHEREAS the MCWA currently charges two different retail rates for Genesee County property owners within two differed Retail Rate Areas. The rate study only impacts those towns and village which are current customers of MCWA. One area id referred to as the Western Genesee Retail Rate, for the towns where MCWA water is purchased through a third party and includes the towns and associated village of Pembroke, Corfu and Darien and the Eastern Genesee Retail Rate. The second area is referred to as the Eastern Genesee Retail Rate area, where the MCWA provides water directly and does not have to purchase water from a third party and includes Towns of Bergen, Byron, LeRoy, Stafford and Pavilion.

WHEREAS the Central part of the county includes, Towns of Alabama, Oakfield, Elba, Batavia, Alexander, the Villages in those Towns and the City of Batavia are not included on this study;

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WHEREAS the Monroe County Water Authority (MCWA) retained the Amawlak Consulting Group to prepare a Rate Consolidation Study for Genesee County retail customers; and

WHEREAS the MCWA has presented the outcomes of the Rate Consolidation Study in a report dated December 14, 2020, to the Genesee County Legislature; and

WHEREAS the Water Rate Consolidation Study, requested by the Genesee County Legislature and commissioned by the MCWA, dated December 14th 2020 recommends the creation of one Genesee County-Wide retail rate as opposed to the existing two separate water retail rates; and

WHEREAS the proposed recommended Genesee County-Wide retail rate will result in the residents included in the currently defined Eastern Genesee Retail Rate area paying a disproportionately higher rate (\$.49 per 1000 gallons more than current rates) than the residents of the currently defined Western Genesee Retail Rate area and for which the residents of the Western Genesee Retail Rate area would pay a disproportionately lower rate (\$.81 per gallons less than current rates) than the residents of the currently defined Eastern Genesee Retail Rate area; and

WHEREAS the proposed unified, one county-wide retail water rate;

does not appear to take on consideration of future growth in water consumption for municipalities in the Eastern Retail Rate Area;

is not based upon the cost of provision of the water to the retail customers in each of their respective service areas i.e. MCWA purchase of water from a third party to provide water to residents of the Western Genesee Retail Rate Area and uses their own water to provide to residents of the Eastern Genesee Retail Rate Area,

is based upon the interest of the County Legislator, on behalf of the municipalities in the Western Genesee Retail Rate Area, to have a lower rate and ;

does not include all municipalities in Genesee County; and

WHEREAS the proposed unified rate unfairly financially burdens, through a significant rate increases for Genesee County residents of five towns and associated villages and retail customers of the Eastern Genesee Retail Rate area for the financial benefit, through a significant reduction of current rates for Genesee County residents of three towns and associated villages and retail customers of the Western Retail Rate area;

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Stafford, is in opposition of the proposed unified County wide one rate for Genesee County for the reasons as outlined in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Stafford, requests the Genesee County Legislature not to promote a unified rate and the Monroe County Water

Authority not establish a unified County-Wide one retail water rate that results in a financial burden for residents of the Town of Stafford in order to provide a financial gain for the residents of the Western Genesee Retail Rate area.

Robert Clement

Date: March, 8th 2021

Robert Clement-Supervisor- Town of Stafford

Motion by Councilman Robert Pacer

Second by: Councilman Ronald Panek

Roll Call Vote

Councilman Robert Pacer- Aye

Councilman James Duyssen- Aye

Councilman Ronald Panek-Aye

Councilman Donald Mullen-Absent

Supervisor Robert Clement- Aye

Carried

RESOLUTION NO. 21

DATED: APRIL 12, 2021

**PURCHASE AN INTERNATIONAL TRUCK FOR
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has the need to replace a truck.

WHEREAS, Highway Superintendent would like to purchase a new International 2022 HX 520 SFA (HX520) off the Onandaga County Bid number 8996 for \$242,718.50

RESOLVED, the Stafford Town Board hereby authorizes the purchase of a new International truck at a price of \$242,718.50, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, \$242,718.50 will be appropriated from DA5130.2.

Motion by Councilman Ronald Panek

Second by: Councilman Robert Pacer

Roll Call Vote

Councilman Robert Pacer- Aye

Councilman James Duyssen- Aye

Councilman Ronald Panek-Aye

Councilman Donald Mullen-Absent

Supervisor Robert Clement- Aye

Carried

Communications:

Andrew Miller came to Town Council with concerns that Spectrum wants to charge \$ 60,000.00 is what it would cost to get Spectrum to bring cable to Bartof Road to property, and he inquired can the Town help.

Highway Supervisor Steve Boldt power washed Stafford Tennis Courts and cleaned Emery Park

Councilman Ronald Panek is working on the Town of Stafford Handbook.

Stafford Town Council had no objections with Linda Calls request to put a banner up on a fence in front of Emery Park, a week prior to announcing the Garden Clubs sale.

Resident Robert Marsciel , brought forth concerns for the Stafford Pines project as far as working evenings and weekends. Supervisor Robert Clement replied, "There are no restrictions and it does not mean there will be any in the future".

PAY THE BILLS Total Abstract\$67,474.42**GENERAL FUND \$44,712.97**

Motion by Councilman James Duyssen

Seconded by Councilman Ronald Panek 4 Ayed Carried

HIGHWAY \$10,448.60

Motion by Councilman James Duyssen

Seconded by Councilman Robert Pacer 4 Ayed Carried

CAPITAL PROJECTS \$12,192.80

Motion by Councilman James Duyssen

Seconded by Councilman Robert Pacer 4 Ayed Carried

Water Fund \$120.05

Motion by Councilman James Duyssen

Seconded by Councilman Robert Pacer 4 Ayed Carried

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 pm by Councilman Robert Pacer
and **Seconded** by Councilman James Duyssen

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie A. Scheuerlein
Stafford Town Clerk