

Mexico Town Board
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held July 11, 2022 at the Town Hall 64 S. Jefferson St. Mexico
Commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Eric Behling, Supervisor
Larry Barber, Councilor
Judy Greenway, Councilor
Cindy Robert, Councilor
Graham Seiter, Town Attorney
Ned Waterbury, ZBA Chairman
Diane Chepko-Sade, Friends of Mexico Point Park
Nicole Wild, Town Clerk

Absent: Russell Partrick, Councilor
Richard Diehl, Park Manager
Nancy Weber, Planning Board Chairwoman
Terry Grimshaw, Water Commissioner
Ron Marsden, Code Enforcement Officer
Russ Marsden, Highway Superintendent
Carrie Bond, Mexico Point Park
Ian Yerdon, C2AE Engineer
Tanner DeWolf, C2AE Engineer
Jack Spriggs, Dog Control Officer

And 2 in the audience.

Supervisor Behling opened the regular Town Board meeting at 7:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Resolution 2022-59 Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilor Barber and seconded by Councilor Greenway to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the minutes from the June 13, 2022 Town Board meeting.

Communications

- 2022 Equalization Rate Status report from NYS Dept. of Tax & Finance
- 2022 Franchise Full Value report from NYS Dept. of Tax & Finance
- Sewer Cross Bore Safety letter from Nation Fuel
- Overdue Resolution notice from NYSLRS
- Western Star Truck BAN letter from Solvay Bank
- Holland Tractor BAN letter from Solvay Bank

Public Comment

Concerns were dog barking, potential puppy mills, and unlicensed dogs. Supervisor Behling said that citations have been issued for unlicensed dogs and having more than four dogs but the investigation into potential puppy mills is ongoing; the town is following protocols and working with authorities; the town does not have a noise ordinance.

Reports

Town Clerk- A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Dog Control- A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Supervisor Behling to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Zoning Officer/Building Inspector- A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the June report as presented. Councilor Greenway asked if the changing fee schedule is moving forward. Councilor Barber said it could probably be ready to vote on at the August meeting. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Highway Superintendent- Councilor Barber would like to know how many driveway culverts were installed, the cost of paving Smithers and Frazer roads, the length of ditches cleaned and mowed. Seiter said that discussions can take place to get more information about highway tasks. A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Parks Manager- The playground opened July 1st; sod is being put down on soccer and football fields, which is being watered from the well; there are 32 reservations at the pavilion to date. Behling said he received information from John Trimble regarding a possible football field with grant application opportunities. Councilor Robert asked to be included on these discussions. Supervisor Behling said the feasibility study funding request may be stagnant at the county level but restated the importance of the study.

A motion was made by Councilor Barber and seconded by Supervisor Behling to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Mexico Point Park- Chepko-Sade said the fireworks and concert event were postponed to July 17th due to Young Explosives not obtaining a necessary permit on time. She said State environmental quality review contacted her with a list of rules to observe for the accessible trail. She said Jared Raffa's trail bid was accepted by the Friends of Mexico Point Park. Seiter said he will look into the NYS requirement of prevailing wage as it relates to the Friends of Mexico Point Park. Chepko-Sade said NYS Parks and Trails will be reimbursing the grant money. The town clerk would like the board and park to consider revamping the procedure for booking events at Mexico Point Park.

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Robert to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Planning Board- none

Zoning Board of Appeals- Chairman Waterbury said the ZBA has one pending application for a sporting goods/bait shop store that is on the agenda for their August meeting; the applicants have stated they will be attending the ZBA meeting.

A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Water Commissioner- A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Supervisor- A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to accept the June report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Water District Update- none

Resolution 2022-60 Payrolls

A motion was made by Councilor Robert and seconded by Councilor Greenway to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the May payroll.

Resolution 2022-61 2019 Western Star BAN Payment

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Robert to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the payment on the 2019 Western Star truck in the amount of \$39,735.00 plus interest due August 6, 2022 and to BAN for the balance and authorizes Supervisor Behling to sign any and all completing documents.

Resolution 2022-62 Holland Tractor BAN Payment

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Robert to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the payment on the Holland Tractor in the amount of \$20,993.00 plus interest due August 6, 2022 and to BAN for the balance and authorizes Supervisor Behling to sign any and all completing documents.

Resolution 2022-63 Harris Accounting Software

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Robert to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the purchase of an accounting software module and professional services in the amount of \$3,995.00 with annual maintenance and support fee of \$480.00.

Resolution 2022-64 Appoint Tax Collector

A motion was made by Councilor Barber and seconded by Councilor Greenway to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board appoints Nicole Wild as Tax Collector effective immediately for the term ending December 31, 2024.

Resolution 2022-65 Appoint Local Registrar

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Barber to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board appoints Nicole Wild as Local Registrar effective immediately for the term ending December 31, 2024.

Resolution 2022-66 Approve Change Order to Dugout Bid

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Robert to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the payment of \$2,800 to Joe Spereno for additional modifications to the Community Park dugout job.

Resolution 2022-67 Audit Claims

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Councilor Robert to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Resolved the bills for Abstract 7 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General A Fund	voucher #175-199	\$	21,518.17
General B Fund	voucher #58-67	\$	4,368.89
Highway Fund	voucher #120-137	\$	236,185.21
Water Fund	voucher #13	\$	375.00
Special Districts Fund	voucher #11	\$	389.95

A motion was made by Councilor Greenway and seconded by Supervisor Behling to adjourn the meeting at 9:37pm. The motion was adopted by a vote of 4 ayes: Behling, Barber, Greenway, and Robert, and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Wild
Town Clerk