Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pamelia held on Monday, August 8, 2022 at the Municipal Building, Route 37; Supervisor Scott Allen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Kenneth Hart, Ricky VanTassel, and Rusty VanTassel. Highway Superintendent Bruce Call, Engineers John Condino and Dustin Clark, Legislator Kory Grant and Supervisors Clerk Annie Snyder were also present. Council member Lisa Brenon entered the meeting at 7:09 pm.

Minutes approved

Minutes of the July 11, 2022 regular meeting were approved as submitted on a motion made by Rusty VanTassel and seconded by Ricky VanTassel. All voted aye; carried.

Funds Amended

A motion was made by Rusty VanTassel and seconded by Ken Hart to amend the July 11, 2022 Capital Fund total from $992,024.01 to $990,675.18 to subtract bills not yet approved by the EFC. All voted aye; carried.

Budget Appropriations

A motion was made by Rusty VanTassel and seconded by Ricky VanTassel to approve the following budget appropriations. All voted aye; carried.

Sewer		
From: SS8130.4	-	$750
To: SS1420.4	+	750

A motion was made by Ricky VanTassel and seconded by Ken Hart to approve the following budget appropriations. All voted aye; carried.

Water		
From: SW8320.4	-	$198,000
To: SW9730.6	+	198,000

Correspondence

Scott Allen reviewed the Dog Control Report received by Jefferson County.

Scott Allen stated he has received another request from Pat Smith who lives on Oak Street to reduce the EDU's on his property. Pat has spoken to the Assessor.

Barton and Loguidice

Dustin Clark gave the Board an update on the progress of the Water Project.
He also reported on upcoming work and stated that within the next month a substantial amount of customers will be connected.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Rusty VanTassel and seconded by Ken Hart to open a Public Hearing at 7:13 PM in the matter of the Increase and Improvement of Facilities of the Consolidated Water District in the Town of Pamelia. The proposed increase would be $4.25 Million.
Supervisor Scott Allen asked for any questions from the public. There were none.
Scott Allen asked twice again for questions. There were no comments.
Lisa Brenon made a motion and Rusty VanTassel seconded to close the Public Hearing at 7:16 PM. All voted aye; carried.

Public Comments

Joe Primmer, 23355 Rt 37 stated he is concerned about the present condition of the Hotis Motel on Rt 37 and asked what can be done about it. He reported that there was a fire there today in the rear of the property. He stated that ambulances are there at least twice weekly and the police and fire department are there often.
Scott Allen reported that he has received a picture of the overflowing dumpsters. He stated that the dumpsters have been taken away and now there is a pile of trash.

Judy McDonald, 23376 Rt 37 stated that the residents of the motel are in her back yard at night with flashlights and have broken into her home twice.

Linda Remington, 176 S. Edwards Ave. Syracuse, NY stated that her parents who are in their 80's live next to the motel. Linda stated she is concerned for their safety and she comes up almost every weekend. She has seen a gun pulled and also people walking across their lawn and peering in their windows. Her father has confronted a person on their porch. They are asking for money and gas. She asked the Town Board what they can do about the situation.

Claire Fulkerson, 23414 Rt 37 stated she is also concerned about the motel.

Richard Davis, 25823 Mustard Rd. asked why the Town can't take the property if the taxes are not being paid. Scott Allen stated that there is a process for that.

Supervisor Scott Allen stated he has had a conversation with the Town Attorney. He stated that the Town Board can pass a resolution to have the building reviewed by Jefferson County Codes. He stated he has the original review and the owner has accomplished some of the tasks. He said that some of the contractors have backed out. The neighbors are also concerned about the condition of the sewer system.

Lisa Brenon asked if there was a conflict of interest if the County is paying the rent for these individuals and is also doing the inspection. Scott Allen will ask the County that question. If so, the Town can have RAVI Engineering come back in for the inspection.

After a discussion, Lisa Brenon offered a resolution and Ken Hart seconded to move forward with approaching the County for the next step. All voted aye; adopted.

Scott Allen also stated he will talk to the County Attorney about the trash situation.

Pamelia Volunteer Fire Department

Greg French, representing the Department was present and also Nicole O'Neil, vice president, requesting the use of the parking lot of the Municipal building on September 24th from 10:00 – 4:00 for a community education and recruitment day for all of the 1st responder agencies that serve the Town of Pamelia. It will include all three Fire Departments in the Town.

Scott Allen stated he has spoken with the Town Attorney and the Towns Insurance Agent who will put a contract together and also a certificate of insurance.

Rusty VanTassel made a motion and Ken Hart seconded to get the contract in order for signature. All voted aye; carried.

Barton and Loguidice - Water

Dustin Clark presented the Public Interest Order for the Increase and Improvement of Facilities of the Consolidated Water District for an increase of $4.25 Million.

Rusty VanTassel offered a Resolution and Ken Hart seconded to approve the Public Interest Order for the increase of $4.25 Million for the Increase and Improvement of the Consolidated Water District.

Roll call vote as follows: Rusty VanTassel, yes; Ken Hart, yes; Scott Allen, yes; Lisa Brenon, yes; Ricky VanTassel, yes; adopted.

Bond Resolution

Rusty VanTassel offered a Resolution and Ricky VanTassel seconded authorizing the issuance of an additional $4.25 Million Bonds of the Town of Pamelia, Jefferson County, New York to pay part of the cost of the Increase and Improvement of the Facilities of the Consolidated Water District.

Roll call vote as follows: Rusty VanTassel, yes; Ken Hart, yes; Scott Allen, yes; Lisa Brenon, yes; Ricky VanTassel, yes; adopted.

Barton and Loguidice - Sewer

Dustin Clark stated that the SEQR review for Sewer District No. 10 Collection Systems Improvements Project was done earlier this year, and since the Liberty Avenue pump station renovations and the grinder pumps have been added, Dustin suggested cleaning up the SEQR.

Resolution #29

Lisa Brenon offered Resolution #29 and Rusty VanTassel seconded Regarding the State Environmental Quality Review Act Process Amendment for the Town of Pamelia Sewer District No. 10 and Collection System Improvements Project.

Roll call vote as follows: Rusty VanTassel, yes; Ken Hart, yes; Scott Allen, yes; Lisa Brenon, yes; Ricky VanTassel, yes; adopted.

Resolution #30

Rusty VanTassel offered Resolution #30 of the Town of Pamelia Authorizing Submission of a New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) Grant Application for the Town of Pamelia Sewer System Improvements. Ken Hart seconded.

Roll call vote as follows: Rusty VanTassel, yes; Ken Hart, yes; Scott Allen, yes; Lisa Brenon, yes; Ricky VanTassel, yes; adopted.

Dustin Clark reported that Barton and Loguidice has submitted the Engineering Report to New York State EFC. Also, they have submitted the NYSDEC WQIP application.

Marilyn Hibbard resident of 26422 Perch Lake Rd thanked the Town Board for progressing on the status of the Hotis Motel.

Also, she shared her concerns about the paving of the Perch Lake Rd in front of her home. She stated that a chunk of her driveway was taken out, and she had just had her driveway sealed a month ago. She stated that it has been rolled but the apron part that goes into her driveway is not good. She stated she would have liked to have notice by the Town of the paving.

Michael Shepard, 26464 Perch Lake Rd. stated he also is concerned about the road.

Richard Davis, 25853 Mustard Rd. stated he has raked stones out of his yard.

Highway Superintendent Bruce Call explained the process for the cold mix and stated in two weeks there will be oil and fine stone being put down.

He stated that they have done this same procedure on several other roads in the Town and has not received any complaints before about the driveways.

Executive Session

Ricky VanTassel made a motion and Rusty VanTassel seconded to enter into executive session at 7:59 pm to discuss a lawsuit. All voted aye; carried.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:15 pm on a motion made by Rusty VanTassel and seconded by Ken Hart. All voted aye; carried.

Supervisor Scott Allen stated that no actions were taken in the executive session.

Scott Allen stated he would like to schedule a Public Hearing for September pertaining to 25368 NYS Rt 37, owned by Fred and Sally Fowler. They would like to put in a grinder pump system and tie into the Town's forced main across the street which would make them an out of district user.

Rusty VanTassel made a motion and Lisa Brenon seconded to schedule a Public Hearing for September 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM to allow the Fowler's to become out of district users. All voted aye; carried.

Scott Allen reported that a $513,000 Band will be coming due. The amount due with interest is $516,052.35. The Town will be reducing the Band down to a $300,000 Band with money transferred with the Budget Appropriations. This will save about $104,000 - $180,000. The Town will be able to pay the Band off next year.

Payment of the Bills

Lisa Brenon made a motion and Rusty VanTassel seconded to pay the General Fund bills totaling $23,085.38 No. 0, 141 - 155, Highway Fund bills totaling $6,614.11 No. 91 - 100, Special District Fund bills totaling $113,866.37 No. 78 - 90, and Capital Fund bills totaling $436,234.27 No. 35 - 41, and Trust and Agency bills totaling $10,532.86 No. 8. All voted aye; carried.

There was a short discussion on what further action should be taken for the Rainbow Motel on Route 12. Scott will talk to Attorney Bill Buchan about it.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m. on a motion made by Ricky VanTassel and seconded by Ken Hart. All voted aye; carried.

Gwen Call

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Town Clerk
August 8, 2022