



Supervisor Mahr stated that the Monthly Payroll would be completed on December 19<sup>th</sup> versus December 24<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made for the Monthly Payroll to be completed on December 19<sup>th</sup> was made by Councilmember Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Freeman, with all in favor.

Supervisor Mahr stated that the Organization Meeting would be on January 7, 2025, at 6:00 pm. All Board Members were in agreement.

Supervisor Mahr stated that some new Town of Wayne residents have expressed interest in serving as volunteers on one of the Boards (Planning, Zoning, or Ethics).

A motion to approve the Supervisor's Financial Report was made by Councilmember Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Freeman, with all in favor.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** The Clerk's Report was presented with no discussion. A motion to approve the Clerk's Report was made by Councilmember Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Freeman, with all in favor.

A motion to approve **Abstract 12** was made by Councilmember Freeman, seconded by Councilmember Kenyon, with all in favor.

### **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT**

Highway Superintendent Starkweather stated that since the truck was totaled, the title had been sent in to the Town's Insurance Company, but not received. Superintendent Starkweather stated he will track it down or get a second title and resend.

Highway Superintendent Starkweather stated that he is staying clear of the State Bid Contract Process as it becomes quite complicated and time consuming.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that when the Dept. of Health checked the water room, they stated the Town needed a back-up pump that cost about \$2,000.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that when the tree that fell and broke on Fair Oaks needed to hire a contractor to come in and take it down because the Town's equipment wasn't tall enough to do the job. Also stating that trees along the roadways will be tagged for trimming and the Compost can be opened (weather permitting) by contacting the Highway Superintendent.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that PESH (Public Employee Safety & Health) Inspection was a consultation. Several areas were addressed and the Highway Department will set up the process within the Town Barn to have everything in place when they return in 2025.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that the 2025 Road "285 Agreement" has been established to get the roads caught up. Also, for the Keuka Hill ground-injected Trans-Canadian Project, they have one vehicle alone that weighs 114,000 lbs. for drilling the derek, will destroy the road, and the vendor will need to get a \$1 million insurance policy with the RUA.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that the East Lake Road culvert design was completed. NYSEG will be putting a gas line in that needs to go back to the engineer for the gas line information. Also, needs to be an easement obtained from the homeowners because cutting slopes back (about 4 ft.) and go down (about 15 ft.) is a tight area.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that the CHIPS were submitted on November 6<sup>th</sup> and reimbursement should be received by the end of December. Supervisor Mahr stated that last year it was received by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **CODE OFFICER – PLANNING - ZONING**

Supervisor Mahr stated that the Zoning Board approved a settlement with the Hamm's. The Hamm's will pay the Town \$10,000 in fines and legal fees and have their Short-Term Rental Permit suspended until early June, 2025.

**WATERSHED**: Supervisor Mahr presented the Watershed Report. Ms. Gush stated that she and Colby would meet to resolve some issues that developed on the Report.

**ETHICS**: No Monthly Report

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER**: Ms. Swarhout stated that the Shelter passed NYS Inspection. The Inspector suggested that the Town go for a Grant. Ms. Swarhout stated that she needs ideas and possibly has a person that can assist doing the Grant. The Inspector stated there are changes coming in 2025.

**HISTORY GROUP**: The History Group continues working on the binders for the top 20 topics, sorting of hydroplant information, and recruiting additional volunteers who are willing to come on board after the first of the year to work on sorting/organizing the family binders. This will be a long-term project.

**WEB STATISTICS**: Supervisor Mahr presented the Web Statistics Report. No comments made.

**OLD BUSINESS**: Short-Term Rental: Councilmember Freeman stated that new owners have submitted their applications.

Supervisor Mahr stated that the Towns' Volunteers should get a \$50 gift card this year. A motion was made for the Volunteers gift cards by Councilmember Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Freeman, with all in favor.

Supervisor Mahr stated the Retainer Agreement with Richardson, Pullen, and Buck should be accepted. A motion was made to approve the Retainer Agreement by Councilmember Freeman, seconded by Councilmember Kenyon, with all in favor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Steve Bloom, East Lake Road, stated he saw the advertisement in The Shopper for a Town Code Enforcement and spoke with the Code Enforcement Officer who appeared to not know he was being replaced. Mr. David Chapman stated that the Code Enforcement Officer knew more about plumbing layouts, fair, honest and cares about what's going on with the project. Mrs. Karen Chapman stated she is also in support of the Code Enforcement Officer. Supervisor Mahr stated the Board cannot publicly discuss personnel issues.

Councilmember Freeman stated that the Code Enforcement Officer is appointed one-year at a time.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**: Next Town Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6PM

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**: A motion to go into Executive Session was made by Council-member Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Bauer at 7:25 pm with all in favor. A motion to return to the Board Meeting was made by Councilmember Freeman, seconded by Councilmember Bauer at 7:55 pm with all in favor and with no conclusion resulted.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Freeman, with all in favor at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Gabel, Deputy Clerk