

The June 16, 2021 meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Town Supervisor Tollisen at the A. James Bold Meeting Room at the Town Hall with the following members present:

Kevin J. Tollisen, Supervisor  
Paul L. Hotaling, Councilman  
John P. Wasielewski, Councilman  
Jeremy W. Connors, Councilman  
Eric A. Catricala, Councilman  
Lyn A. Murphy, Town Attorney  
Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk

Cathy L. Drobny, Deputy Town Attorney - Excused

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

### PRESENTATION: HONORING BRIAN ZUSY, AN 18 YEAR EMPLOYEE AS HE RETIRES

**Supervisor Tollisen:** First item on our agenda this evening is a little bit of a surprise. Brian has been a team member of the Town of Halfmoon just under 18 years and has officially submitted his retirement as of Friday. Brian has done a fantastic job for us taking care of our buildings at night making sure they are sparkling for the next day. Brian, you have done a great job! It is not only the great job that you do but it's your attitude. You have always had a great personality, so kind and gentle and there to help people. We got together behind your back and decided that we were going to honor you this evening with a plaque in commemoration of your retirement, a card signed by a good amount of the town employees, an official gift from the Town of Halfmoon and a cake for later on with your family.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Asked Brian and his family to come up to have a picture taken with the Board as he read the following:

**“Brian Zusy is recognized for his outstanding service and dedication to the Town of Halfmoon. The Town of Halfmoon extends our most sincere and best wishes on your retirement”**

## COMMUNITY EVENTS:

The **“BUY A BRICK”** program for the Halfmoon Veterans Walk of Honor at the Halfmoon Veterans Memorial in the Town Park is now accepting orders. Create a lasting tribute for your veteran. For more information please call 371-7410 ext. 2200 or visit our website [www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov](http://www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov).

**HALFMOON FARMERS MARKET** Our 4<sup>th</sup> Season starting May 12<sup>th</sup>, running through September 2021 on Wednesdays from 3 pm to 7 pm located in Abele Park off Route 236. To Receive a Vendor Application or for more information, please contact Ross MacNeil at 518-371-7410 ext. 2272 or [rmacneil@townofhalfmoon.org](mailto:rmacneil@townofhalfmoon.org)

**OUTDOOR CONCERT IN THE PARK – THE ALL PAUL SHOW, A BEATLES TRIBUTE** June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Halfmoon Town Park from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Music for your entire family!

**HALFMOON-WATERFORD FIRE DISTRICT #1** will be having a meeting regarding the change orders on the new Firehouse. Meeting will be on Monday June 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at 1471 Rt. 9 Suite 202 Clifton Park New York 12065. This meeting will be held in person or via Skype Teams.

**OUTDOOR CONCERT IN THE PARK** July 9<sup>th</sup> at the Halfmoon Town Park from 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm. Music for your entire family!

**DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT** July 23rd at the Halfmoon Town Park at dusk (8:30 pm) An evening of family fun under the stars!

**TOWN MEETINGS:**

**Town Board Meetings:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of month at 7:00pm. Pre-meeting at 6:15 pm

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of month at 7:00 pm. Pre-meeting at 6:45pm

**Planning Board Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 pm. Pre-meeting at 6:15 pm (If the Holiday falls on a Monday, the meeting will be held on the next day, Tuesday).

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (for discussion of agenda topics) No one came forward

**REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY**

**Kevin J. Tollisen (Town Supervisor)**

**Paul Hotaling (Deputy Town Supervisor):** (1) Chair of Personnel Committee (2) Ethics Committee, (3) Liaison to Trails and Open Space Committee (4) Chair of Infrastructure & Safety (Water, Highway, Building & Maintenance) (5) Co-Chair for Character Counts

The news has been something lately but some great news to hear that the restrictions are going to be lifted and the kids can have their graduation and make their memories. Congratulations to all the Graduates this year!

**John Wasielewski (Town Board Member):** (1) Liaison to Planning Board, (2) Chair of Committee of Emergency Services and Public Safety, (3) Liaison to Animal Control and related services

I have no report this evening, Mr. Supervisor

**Jeremy Connors (Town Board Member):** (1) Liaison to Zoning Board; (2) Liaison to Trails and Open Space Committee, (3) Chair of Business and Economic Development Committee (4) Chair for Not For Profit Organizations

Thank you, Mr. Supervisor. Just one thing here this evening. A couple of our great Halfmoon businesses are going to be recognized tomorrow at the Capital Region Chamber for some amazing things that they do within their business. The Chamber will be recognizing Mr. Scott Earl for positive contributions to the community as its salute to the Business Leader Award, as well as G&G Industrial Lighting for the Business Innovation Award. Mr. Earl has gone above and beyond with his businesses, he supports local charities that reach far beyond the Town of Halfmoon. He is always a contributor to environmental friendly practices as well. He is a true leader in the business community. As far as G&G Industrial Lighting, they are new to the scene. Their innovation to micro LED lighting that illuminates industrial settings that is completely waterproof. You will see it in Hoffman's Car Wash throughout the Capital Regions. This is all done here in our own backyard. I would like for us to take a moment to recognize both of these businesses and tomorrow will be their official recognition and I would like for a resolution honoring them.

**RESOLUTION NO. 169-2021**

**Offered** by Councilman Connors, seconded by Councilman Hotaling: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Connors, & Catricala  
**Resolution Introduced by Councilman Connors**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board acknowledges the Chamber of Southern Saratoga County, affiliate of the Capital Region Chamber Business Awards. The Town Board of the Town of Halfmoon congratulates and honors the recipients of the Business Leader Award to Scott Earl, Twin Bridges Waste and Recycling and Business Innovation Award to G&G Industrial Lighting.

**Eric Catricala:** (1) Co-Liaison to Planning Board, (2) Co- Chair of Business and Economic Development Committee (3) Chair for Parks and Athletic Organizations, (4) Chair for Recreation (5) Co-Chair for Character Counts

Just one thing, the Highway Department is very busy paving our roads. Every time I pick a route to avoid where they're working, they seem to be working in another section already. I'm not sure how many miles of roads that they are paving this year but it was pretty impressive. With the way that they are working, I am sure that it will all get done. Thank you.

**Lynda Bryan (Town Clerk):** (1) Chair of Senior Programs, (2) Chair of Committee on Historical Archives

It was wonderful to see our seniors at the Re-opening Picnic last Wednesday. Thank you for putting that together Mr. Tollisen. Some of the folks hadn't seen each other in a year and a half! The music was great and the rain held off until everyone got home. Can't ask for more than that! It was a great way to open the Senior Center.

**Dana Cunniff (Receiver of Taxes):** (1) Chair of Committee on Residents Relations

**Lyn Murphy, Esq., (Town Attorney)** I have nothing this evening, thank you.

**Cathy Drobny, Esq. (Town Attorney)** Excused

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of agenda topics)** No one came forward

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Department Reports and the monthly Department Manager Reports are listed and can be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office. We do ask our Department Managers to provide monthly reports in addition to having Department Manager monthly meetings that we all discuss the important things that go on in each of the offices.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS –**

1. **Building Permits – 94 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$36,140.25**
2. **Fire Inspections – 32 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$2,140.00**
3. **Town Justice Suchocki  
Total # Cases – 396 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$25,791.00**
4. **Town Justice Fodera  
Total # Cases – 202 Total Fees Submitted to the Supervisor - \$20,316.00**

**DEPARTMENT MANAGER MONTHLY REPORTS – (Can be viewed at the Town Clerk's Office) Building/Code Enforcement, Planning Department, Recreation Department**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **Received from the Town Zoning Board Resolutions approved at the June 7, 2021 meeting: Area Variance for 16 Oakhill Drive Subdivision, 16 Oakhill Drive.**

*Received & Filed*

2. Received from the Mohawk Towpath Scenic Byway Coalition, Inc., their 2020 Annual Report.

*Received & Filed*

3. Received from the Town of Colonie, notification of a Public Hearing on June 24, 2021 at 7:00PM on a proposed amendment to the zoning laws of the Town of Colonie.

*Received & Filed*

4. Received from MRK Real Property, LLC an application for the Crescent Commons Mixed Use PDD including the Project Narrative and Full Environmental Assessment Form

*Received & Filed*

5. Received from New York Department of State, notification of the filing of Local Law #3-2021, Summit of Halfmoon Senior Living PDD on June 4, 2021.

*Received & Filed*

6. Received from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, a copy of the letter sent to Christopher Litchfield, confirmation that Litchfield Holdings, LLC is revising the project to avoid the discharge of fill materials and withdraws their application.

*Received & Filed*

7. Received from Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps Inc., a letter of thanks for the donation of topsoil for their staff vegetable garden. It is greatly appreciated.

*Received & Filed*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 168-2021**

**Offered** by Councilman Wasielewski, seconded by Councilman Connors: Approved by the vote of the Board: Ayes: Tollisen, Hotaling, Wasielewski, Connors, & Catricala

**Resolution Introduced by Town Clerk Bryan**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the minutes of Town Board Meeting of June 02, 2021 as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for discussion of non-agenda items)**

**Gary Heller, 12 Sommerset Drive** in the Rolling Hills development. Mr. Heller's concern is that the current 30 MPH is still not a comfortable speed limit. Sommerset Drive is the longest, continuous stretch of road in Halfmoon. He has spoken with Mr. Tollisen about changing some of the speed restrictions in the past. He states that some of the side roads have stop signs, but Sommerset does not. He is asking for the Boards consideration of placing stop signs on Sommerset at the intersections where stop signs already are making them a four-way stop. He states that this may lower the rate of injury or a fatality it is a good thing.

**Supervisor Tollisen:** Mr. Heller, thank you for coming in and talking about this. I will tell you what the process is. We need to send it to our engineers. They will review whether they are traffic safety measures that will enhance the area. I will tell you that sometimes they come back and say yes, this is necessary and sometimes they say no its not. We are not shy about doing it. We are not shy about

slowing down traffic if we can. So, we are working on this and we will report back to you as soon as we have some findings.

Mr. Heller invited the Board to drive the road themselves to see the situation. There are home on the corners that also obstruct a clear view of oncoming traffic. He thanked the Board for their time and consideration.

**There being no further business to discuss or resolve, on a motion by Councilman Connors and seconded by Councilman Catricala, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Lynda A. Bryan, Town Clerk**