

MEETING LIVE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE LIVE

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MINUTES OF THE DARIEN TOWN BOARD: Supervisor Stephen Ferry Jr, Council Members Michael Grant, David Krzemien, Timothy Benten, Michael Fix and Town Clerk Alice Calmes.

A regular meeting of the Darien Town Board, County of Genesee and State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 10569 Allegany Road, Darien Center, NY on June 3, 2020

PRESENT:	Stephen Ferry Jr	Supervisor
	Timothy Benten	Councilman
	Michael Fix	Councilman
	Michael Grant	Councilman
	David Krzemien	Councilman
	Alice Calmes	Town Clerk

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Neil Marzolf – Highway Superintendent; Shawn Calmes – sound/video; Sue Galbraith – Alden Advertiser

At 7:30 PM the Supervisor called the meeting to order and recited the Pledge to the Flag.

RESOLUTION #83

**MEETING MINUTES**

Councilman Fix offered a resolution to accept the minutes as read from the June 3, 2020 meeting; second by Councilman Krzemien.

AYES 5      Fix, Krzemien, Grant, Benten and Ferry      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #84

**Resolution Postponing the 2020 Reassessment Project due to COVID-19 Virus**

**WHEREAS**, with the passage of Resolution #104-2019 on August 7, 2019 the Darien Town Board authorized the Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 31, 2019 with the New York State Office of Real Property Services, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State has been put on “pause” and a State of Emergency has been declared in the County of Genesee, New York due to the COVID-19 Virus,

**NOW ON MOTION OF** Stephen Ferry Jr, which has been duly seconded by Michael Grant, be it

**RESOLVED** that the Darien Town Board feels it is in the best interest of the taxpayers of the Town of Darien to delay the 2020 Reassessment Project until 2021.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding dated June 8, 2020 with the New York State Office of Real Property Service.

AYES   5    
NAYS   0    
Absent/Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

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Alice Calmes, Town Clerk  
Town of Darien

[SEAL]

**TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**JULY 1, 2020**

**RESOLUTION #85**

**TRANSFER STATION**

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to reintroduce the Darien Transfer Station Closing from the Tabled action (Resolution #76) in the June Town Board Meeting changing the date of closure to August 2, 2020; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 3      Ferry, Grant, and Benten

NAYS 2      Krzemien and Fix

Per discussion after resolution: Supervisor Ferry confirmed the clerk is allowed to sell cards all the way to the end, there will be no refunds on unused cards and as soon as it is closed to clean everything all out of there, including having the equipment removed. Will allow brush drop off twice a year, dates likely late April/early May for Spring and late October/early November for fall. Supervisor Ferry asked for the Highway Superintendent and Town Clerk to make the calls to find a small box for pick up for Town garbage and he will contact the Ron Meides about the Fire Department.

**RESOLUTION #86**

**ZBA MEMBER**

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to appoint Bill Sweet to the unexpired term on the Zoning Board of Appeals through December 31, 2021; second by Councilman Krzemien.

AYES 5      Ferry, Krzemien, Grant, Fix and Benten

NAYS 0

**Notifications**

Letter sent to Elizabeth Garvey Special Council & Senior Advisor State of New York Executive Chamber regarding Sales Tax in Genesee County

Health Insurance Rates for next year came in at the same cost as last year

Call from Michelle Vincent on the Sewer District; trying to find out/theorizing where the ammonia is coming from. May want to investigate, it's been high forever.

HIGHWAY – everything is in good working order. Finished mowing and invoiced the State. Helped a lot of towns. Will be paving Harlow soon, followed by oil and then will see what we have left. Cut \$100,000 out of what budgeted. Prices have decreased on blacktop again. The loader ordered before all of this should be here next week. Will get payment from Lambs. Talked to Andy Schick at DOT – we did receive the 2/3's of the Snow & Ice, then between 67% - 100% we got about \$25,000 short of 100% but it fell within the State numbers.

ZEO – report issued; asked about resuming Planning Board and Zoning Board meetings

**RESOLUTION #87**

**PB & ZBA MEETINGS**

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to resume Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals activities with room for social distancing, masks for the members and the public in masks while in the building; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 5      Ferry, Benten, Fix, Grant and Krzemien

NAYS 0

ZEO – prior to COVID-19, we had started working on the Comp Plan Review. Believe it best to hold off on those meetings for now. Dealing with the State Parks on a piece of property in the LDR district, developing a working relationship to handle that matter. Also working with some farmers to have farmer markets in a more appropriate zone, possibly at the Fire Department; if any town board members are interested in helping get this going.

ATTORNEY – holding on a couple issues

BUILDING INSPECTOR – once construction opened, got very busy. Possibly have a couple commercial projects coming.

ENGINEER – Bruce is leaning toward an MBBR, there are somethings that Neil needs to talk to him about

TOWN CLERK – office will be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup>, but the Transfer Station will still be open normal hours

**TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**JULY 1, 2020**

TREATMENT PLANT – hit summer limits in June and made all the limits for the first time in 2 years. Have made a lot of changes for the process. There will be different limits in the next 5 years; we are on special limits that started June 1, 2020.

TOWN COURT – not sure when NYS OCA will be allow them to resume; looking into getting 2 shields (plexiglass with stands) and will submit to JCAP for potential reimbursement

Councilman Krzemien read the sewer audit report

RESOLUTION #88

**SEWER AUDIT**

Supervisor Ferry offered a resolution to accept the Sewer District #1 audit for 2020 as read by Councilman Krzemien; second by Councilman Benten.

AYES 5      Ferry, Benten, Fix, Grant and Krzemien      NAYS 0

Councilman Krzemien read the Water District #5 audit

RESOLUTION #89

**WATER DIST #5 AUDIT**

Councilman Grant offered a resolution to accept the Water District #5 audit for 2020 as read by Councilman Krzemien; second by Councilman Fix.

AYES 5      Grant, Fix, Benten, Krzemien and Ferry      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #90

**CASH REPORT**

Councilman Fix offered a resolution to accept the Supervisor’s Cash Report for May 2020; second by Councilman Krzemien.

AYES 5      Fix, Krzemien, Grant, Benten and Ferry      NAYS 0

Councilman Fix announced that the defibrillator pad expired and they will cost about \$169. ZEO Yoder stated that the last time he checked the AED, the batteries indicated they needed to be replaced.

RESOLUTION #91

**AED UNIT**

Councilman Fix offered a resolution to get pads and batteries for the ZOLL AED unit; second by Councilman Krzemien.

AYES 5      Fix, Krzemien, Grant, Benten and Ferry      NAYS 0

Councilman Fix also has prices on an AED for the highway department. Discussion with Neil; it will come out of the highway departments safety line.

RESOLUTION #92

**ABSTRACT**

Councilman Fix offered a resolution to pay General Fund 144 – 174 for \$29,754.51; Highway 65 - 78 for \$16,138.66; Sewer District #1 40 – 55 for \$15,670.11; and Water District #3 1 for \$5,177.25 in accordance with the abstract; second by Councilman Krzemien.

AYES 5      Fix, Krzemien, Grant, Benten and Ferry      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #93

**ADJOURN**

At 8:39PM, Councilman Krzemien offered a resolution to adjourn; second by Councilman Grant.

AYES 5      Krzemien, Grant, Fix, Benten and Ferry      NAYS 0

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Alice E. Calmes, Town Clerk