

**TOWN OF BLEECKER
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Councilman Becker: Present

Councilman Winnie: Present

Supervisor Howard: Present

Councilman Bartholomew: Present

Councilman Smith: Present

Also in attendance were Robert Smullen, Richard DiDomizio, Kathy Henry, and Wayne Hutchins

Pledge of Allegiance

Assemblyman Robert Smullen addressed the Board, asking for any input or questions about the State budget. He said that he is working to get Federal funds to go directly to localities instead of being routed through the State. He also wanted everyone to know that his office is always available if there are questions or problems that he can help with.

Councilman Becker made a motion to adopt the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Clerk Report:

The Town took in \$125 in July; \$5 in Dog Licenses, \$100 in Transfer Station Permits, and \$20 in Building Permits. It was all given to the Supervisor.

Code Enforcement:

John Furlong reported 4 inspections, and 4 new permits.

Highway, Building, and Grounds:

Supervisor Howard has received the proposal for renewing the Town's insurance policy. There is one rider available for \$645 that covers cyber security, and he would like to know if the Board thinks it is necessary. The consensus is that we do not have enough internet exposure to warrant the extra expense. It was decided not to add the rider to our policy. One truck was taken off the policy, and the new one will be added when it comes.

Amazon sales tax collections mitigated a lot of our local sales tax loss, so the County didn't do too badly. Projections are still within budget.

**RESOLUTION #30-20
Accept Insurance Renewal**

Councilman Winnie offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Resolved; the Bleecker Town Board does hereby authorize Supervisor Howard to renew the Town's NYMIR Insurance Policy.

It was seconded by Councilman Bartholomew and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Winnie: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

Paul Brink reported that paving date for South Shore Road is Thursday, the 27th. He will have to close the road for the day.

He also reported that Soil and Water Conservation is supposed to come and break rocks on Bowler Hill road.

Councilman Bartholomew asked about the report that Gloversville used CHIPS money to buy equipment, and was that legal? Paul said yes, it is OK, but the equipment has to have a useful life of at least 10 years.

RESOLUTION #31-20
Snow and Ice Removal Contract

Councilman Winnie offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Whereas, the County Superintendent of Highways & Facilities of Fulton County has submitted a contract for the removal of snow and ice control from certain designated County Roads within the Town of Bleecker under Section 135A of the Highway Law, now be it therefore

Resolved, that pursuant to Section 135A of the Highway Law, the Bleecker Town Board does hereby accept the contract for snow removal and ice control as submitted and authorizes the Supervisor and Town Board to execute the contract.

It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes
Councilman Winnie: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes
Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

RESOLUTION # 32-20
Authorization to Pay General and Highway Fund Bills

Councilman Becker offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Resolved; the Bleecker Town Board has hereby audited and approved for payment General Fund bills #V-87 through #v-98 for a total of \$2944.88 and Highway Fund bills #V-44 through #V-51 for a total of \$15612.48.

It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes
Councilman Winnie: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0
The meeting was adjourned at 7:20

Recorded and Submitted by Toni Johnson, Town Clerk