

**TOWN OF BLEECKER  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
APRIL 24, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Councilman Becker: Present

Councilman Croucher: Present

Supervisor Howard: Present

Councilman Bartholomew: Absent

Councilman Smith: Present

Also in attendance were Kathy Henry and Jeff Brooks

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Becker asked if the Clerk could order a new American Flag, as this one is in very bad shape. The Clerk agreed to get one.

Councilman Becker made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Croucher and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

Clerk Report:

Last month the town took in \$175; \$100 in Transfer Station permits, \$20 in Building Permits, and \$55 in Sporting Licenses. It was disbursed; \$51.96 to the DEC and \$123.04 to the Supervisor.

Code Enforcement:

John Furlong reported 2 inspections, 2 Certificates of Compliance, 2 new permits, and completed 3 hours of in-service training.

Dog Control:

Pat Ashbey had one report of an abandoned dog.

The Supervisor, Bookkeeper, and Assessor's reports were submitted, along with the final ARPA SLFRF report.

Highway, Building and Grounds:

Jeff Brooks submitted bids for replacement of the 2015 Ford F550 truck,

**RESOLUTION #32-24**  
**Authorization to Purchase new Truck**

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

**Resolved**, the Bleecker Town Board does hereby authorize the purchase of a Chevrolet Silverado 6500 diesel pickup truck from Mangino Chevrolet for a total of \$98,425, to be paid from the equipment reserve fund.

It was seconded by Councilman Croucher and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Croucher: yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Smith: yes

Superintendent Brooks also reported that he will be doing culvert replacements on North Shore road from Evergreen to Sunrise Bay in preparation for paving. He will be putting in 18" pipes. The paving will start in the back of North Shore and proceed forward as the budget permits, with the entire 2 miles estimated at \$347,537. This will be a multi-year project.

**New Business:**

Supervisor Howard asked if there was any interest in making a hot spot at the Town Hall for Public use in an emergency. Since there is no cell service in the Town, would it be desirable to maintain an emergency only wi-fi connection for public use? He will research this and bring the details back before the Board.

There is also an option to possibly put a radio communication repeater on the County communications tower. Steven Santa Maria said he would look into it, and there would be no cost to the Town.

Jeff Brooks asked about putting a radio in the new truck, and replacing the old Dodge pickup with the oldest Ford.

**RESOLUTION #33-24**  
**Authorization to Pay General and Highway Fund Bills**

Councilman Smith 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-45 through #V-65 for a total of \$6,677.65 and Highway Fund bills #V-39 through #V-42 for a total of \$4,243.35

It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved; In Favor: 4 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Croucher: yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Smith: yes

Councilman Croucher made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; in Favor: 4 Opposed:0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55

Recorded and submitted by Toni Johnson, Town Clerk