

## **Town Board Meeting June 14, 2021**

Supv. Crossen called the monthly meeting of the Alabama Town Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken, Councilperson Fisher, LaGrou, Klotzbach, Veazey and Supv. Crossen were present. Also present were Supt. Covell, Mark Masse, Attorney Boylan, Wendy Kingsland, Drew Reilly, Bob Klavoon and Dave Bencic. Also present via zoom: Scott Harkness, Keilka, Jeremy DeLyser and Kevin Majka.

### **Privilege of the Floor** – none

### **Highway** – Supt. Covell gave update:

Meadville Rd bridge work to start tomorrow.

Fully into Summer work.

Completed Ham Road first phase, mill and fill.

Had old millings at Ledge Road site. Received two bids at same price, \$3,000, from County Line Stone and Alleghany Landscape. Sold them to Alleghany Landscape, closer to truck them.

Had four interments at Alabama Cemetery so far this year, poured headstone footers.

### **Highway Budget Amendments**

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to add \$6,091.94 to DA5112.4, expense line and DA3501, revenue line for additional CHIPS monies to be expended and received this year. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes   C. LaGrou – yes   C. Klotzbach – yes   C. Veazey – yes   Supv. Crossen – yes

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to transfer \$80,000.00 from highway unexpended fund balance to DA5110.4 and \$19,782.20 from highway unexpended fund balance to DA5130.2. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes   C. LaGrou – yes   C. Klotzbach – yes   C. Veazey – yes   Supv. Crossen – yes

### **Alabama Fire Dept. Request**

The Fire Dept. is requesting a letter from the Town Supervisor stating that the Fire Dept. responds to EMS calls in the Town, the letter is needed for the registration with the NYS Dept. of Health.

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson LaGrou to have the Supervisor sign the letter for EMS protection. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes   C. LaGrou – yes   C. Klotzbach – yes   C. Veazey – yes   Supv. Crossen – yes

### **Kelsey Property, 6912 Macomber Rd.**

Received a call from Denise Kelsey asking about putting a water service at a trailer on the property. There are three dwellings on the same tax map. Disc. held. Supv. Crossen will call Denise, she will have to split the parcels for each dwelling and apply to the County Water Board to get water at all three sites. The property is no longer being farmed, the dwellings are not currently being used by farm employees.

### **Water District 1 2020 Annual Report**

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to accept report as written. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes   C. LaGrou – yes   C. Klotzbach – yes   C. Veazey – yes   Supv. Crossen – yes

**Standard Work Day Resolution**

Councilperson Veazey offered the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Alabama hereby establishes the following as a standard workday for elected and appointed officials for the purpose of determining days worked reportable to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement system:

**All Elected Officials:** Supervisor, Councilperson, Town Clerk, Receiver of Taxes, Town Justice – six (6) hour day.

**Superintendent of Highways** – eight (8) hour day

**Appointed Officials:** Members of Board of Zoning Appeals, Members of Planning Board, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Code Enforcement Officer, Court Clerk, Water System Operator, Cleaner and Tax Assessor – six (6) hour day.

**Town Highway Workers** – eight (8) hour day.

Councilperson Fisher seconded the resolution which was approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Standard Workday Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Official for the New York State Retirement System:**

Councilperson LaGrou offered the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, That the Town of Alabama hereby establishes the following as standard work day for this title and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on time keeping system records or their record of activities (ROA).

Title	Standard Work Day (hrs/day)	Name	Current Term begin & end	ROA results
Court Clerk	6	Rachael Ohlson	1/1/2021-12/31/2021	18/Qtr
ZEO/ZEO	6	Michael Morris	1/1/21-12/31/2021	14/Qtr

Councilperson Klotzbach seconded the resolution which was approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Street Lights**

**MOTION** by Councilperson Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to install a street light on an existing pole at the intersection of Alleghany Road and Church Street at no cost to the Town. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**STAMP** – Mark Masse gave an update:

Fish and Wildlife permit in process.

Niagara County water agreement in process.

County Planning approved the Plug Power site plan last week.

Town of Shelby approved the sewer works corp.

Working with the DEC on short term waste water system for the site until the sewer line is finished.

Working on final design for the power substation.

**Plug Power Application Fee**

Supv. Crossen wrote a letter to send to Plug Power with an invoice for the \$232,000 application fees due to the Town. Disc. held.

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to have Supv. Crossen sign and send the letter with an invoice for the \$232,000.00 Plug Power application fee. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Community Benefit Agreement**

Attorney Boylan and Mark Masse reviewed the proposed Community Benefit Agreement for Plug Power and sent a copy to Brenor Brophy for review.

**GCEDC Public Info. Meetings for STAMP**

Disc. held on future public information meetings for STAMP. The Town Board would like the EDC to send all Town residents, including the residents on the Reservation, a postcard informing them of any and all public information meetings regarding STAMP.

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to have the GCEDC send postcards to all Town Residents, including those who reside on the Reservation, for all public information meetings. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Drew Reilly gave an update on the Plug Power Application:

Ellen Parker attended the County Planning Board meeting on 6/10/2021.

Gave board members a memo stating the application process.

Wendel has begun the technical review of the application.

Gave board members a copy of the review document for the application and amended findings.

**Water District 2** – Jeremy DeLyser gave update:

Phase 3A – Morsch working on restoration, should be complete by end of June.

Coordinating septic work on Alleghany Rd with health dept.

Sergi is currently working on McAlpine Road.

Lines are being filled for testing.

IMA with Genesee Co. still at County Attorney’s office.

Phase 4 main filled and tested.

Meter vault at Pembroke/Alleghany Town line is approx.. 6 weeks out.

Phase 2 leftover restoration touchups to be addressed by Morsch.

White Game Farm hookup – DEC to approve.

**Kenyon Ave. Change Order**

MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to approve the change order for Kenyon Ave. at a cost of \$60,840.00. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Kenyon Ave. Accident

Supv. Crossen was notified of an accident on Kenyon Ave., the owner fell on his motorcycle going into his driveway. The insurance company and all others involved parties have been notified.

**Fixed Asset Appraisal for Infrastructure**

Industrial Appraisal Co. submitted an estimate for Infrastructure Asset Appraisal at a cost of \$1,500.00.

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to accept the quote from Industrial Appraisal Co. at a cost of \$1,500.00 for the Infrastructure Asset Appraisal. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Court** – nothing new.

**Town Hall** – nothing new.

**Solar Reimbursement Agreement** – Attorney Boylan sent a draft to the EDPR Attorney for their review.

**Union Contract Negotiations** – working on finalizing contract, may have copy for next month.

**Approval of Minutes**

5/10/2021 Board Meeting – MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to accept minutes as presented. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Supervisors Report**

6/5/2021 -- MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Veazey to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Audit Bills**

MOTION by Councilperson Veazey, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to accept Abstract #006-2021 and pay bills in the amount of \$27,674.96 vouchers 113 to 140 General Fund; \$29,891.46 vouchers 70 to 92 Highway Fund; \$350,398.42 vouchers 21 to 24 Water District 2; \$4,018.32 vouchers 14 to 18 Water District 1. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Assessor's Report** – No transfers for April, 2021.

**CEO/ZEO Report**

May 2021 -- MOTION by Councilperson Fisher, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Town Clerk's Report**

May 2021 -- MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to accept report as written. Approved by Roll Call Vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**2021 Budget** – Budget on track.

**Planning Board** – nothing new.

**Audit Update** – appraisal company coming out next week.

**Website**

Councilperson Klotzbach met with Beth Kemp, she will be starting work on the website.

MOTION by Councilperson Klotzbach, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to adjourn meeting at 8:21 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes    C. LaGrou – yes    C. Klotzbach – yes    C. Veazey – yes    Supv. Crossen – yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca L. Borkholder  
Town Clerk