

**TOWN OF NORTHAMPTON  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 18, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Town of Northampton was held on Wednesday, July 18, 2018. Supervisor Groff called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building at 412 South Main St., Northville, NY. Supervisor Groff led the salute to the flag.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor: James Groff  
Councilmen: Darryl Roosa, William Gritsavage, Art Simmons and Ivar Anderson

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Elaine Mihalik-Town Clerk

**Other Town department representatives in attendance were:**

Ken Cramer-Highway Superintendent and Matthew Ginter-CEO  
Nathanial Matthews-Bookkeeper

**ALSO PRESENT:** Honorably Michael Albanese and Michael Warner

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned to approve the June 20, 2018 Regular Town Board meeting minutes as presented by the Town Clerk. Seconded by Councilman Roosa and  
Adopted by a Vote of 4-Ayes: Groff, Roosa, Simmons, Gritsavage  
Abstain: Anderson

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage approved paying the warrants, Seconded by Councilman Simmons and was passed by,

A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Roosa, Gritsavage, Anderson and Simmons      0-Nays

<u><b>2018 Warrants</b></u>	
General Fund "A"	\$107,228.09
General Ambulance Fund Account	92,879.76
General Fund "B"	939.59
DB Highway-Outside the Village	99,065.94
Sacandaga Lighting	955.14
Sacandaga Sewer District	12,395.91
Sacandaga Water District	<u>585.57</u>
<b>Total Warrants</b>	<b>\$314,050.00</b>

Supervisor Groff opened the Public Comment Session at 7:02 p.m.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Monthly Transfers for Abstract of Audited vouchers
- General Fund Balance Sheet
- Workers Compensation 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Assessment
- Charter Communication – Upcoming Changes

**JUSTICE**

**MOTION:** Councilman Anderson motioned to accept the Justice Report as presented. There were a total of 26 cases handled and \$2,839.00 was collected in fines for the month. Seconded by Councilman Roosa and was passed by,

A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Gritsavage, Roosa, Simmons and Anderson

0-Nays

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Matthew Ginter collected \$672.50 in fees. The total Estimated Project Costs was \$206,150.00. A total of (11) permits were issued in June 2018; #041-13 Permit Renewal; #018-16 Permit Renewal; #015-17 Permit Renewal; #024-17 Permit Renewal; #030-17 Permit Renewal; #035-18 2 car garage; #036-18 Fence; #037-18 Deck; #038-18 Single Family Home; #039-18 Deck; #040-18 Septic Repairs; and 4- Municipal Search.

CEO Ginter mentioned that he has received a proposal on the \$50,000 NYSERDA Grant. One is the Northampton Ambulance Building and the Justice Court Building for both buildings the amount is \$13,220.02 for all new fixtures. They are an LED style with an approximate a 20-year life. The other proposal is for the Northampton Townhall in the amount of \$16,502.85.00. The remaining balance that amount can be put towards a new heating system in the Townhall. CEO Ginter mentioned that he had submitted for an extension for the grant for another 60 days (September) and it was approved. The town will pay up front and will then get reimbursed from NYSERDA, correct asked Councilman Simmons. Response was yes.

Discussion on the motion. Councilman Anderson stated that he would like to hold off until the next meeting and he would like to review the proposed contract.

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned to accept the proposal amount for the net project cost of \$29,722.87 for new lighting fixtures in the Town hall; the Ambulance building and Justice Court as part of the \$50,000.00 NYSERDA Grant and to sign the IntegraLED contract. Seconded by Councilman Simmons and was passed by a

A Vote of 4-Ayes: Groff, Gritsavage, Roosa and Simmons

1-Nay: Anderson

**HIGHWAY:** Ken Cramer reported

- Paving completed on Tennantville and Horton Roads
- Shoulders completed on Tennantville Road
- First round of mowing completed on all county roads and town roads

Repair/Maintenance:

- Service completed on tractor and ditch bank mower
- New batter, blades
- Replaced two hydraulic lines on new garbage packer
- New solenoid and wiring for new packer
- Bob Cooper repaired leak on backhoe

New Business

- Sell old tandem to village for the sum of \$10,000.
- Funds to be placed in a reserve fund for highway equipment

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned to approved the Town of Northampton to sell the Town's old tandem to the Village of Northville in the amount of \$10,000.00. Councilman Roosa seconded the motion and passed by

A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Gritsavage, Roosa, Simmons and Anderson

0-Nays

- 911 requires signs for a private road “White Pine Drive” which is a new development and it is the first road is off of White Birch Road. According to the County if there are three or more houses on the road then new signs are needed and there is a third house being built on “White Pine Drive”.

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:**The Board held a Public hearing and approved an area variance for Woodward lake Properties.  
There is no new business coming before the Zoning Board of Appeals in July.

**PLANNING BOARD:**The Planning Board has been meeting to review the Comprehensive Plan.  
The next scheduled meeting is August 14, 2018 at 7 p.m.

**MOTION:** Councilman Anderson motioned to approve Supervisor Groff to sign that the Town intents to renew its Planning Services Agreement - the 2019 Contract between the Town of Northampton and Fulton County Planning Department for the same amount \$1,200.00 as the 2018 Agreement. Councilman Roosa seconded the motion and passed by  
A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Gritsavage, Roosa, Simmons and Anderson 0-Nays

**AMBULANCE:** Northampton Ambulance held its monthly meeting on May 8, 2018.  
The Northampton Ambulance responded to 9 calls during the month of May 2018. 1-call in the Town of Northampton; 6-calls in the Village of Northville; 1-call in Edinburg; and 1-call in Hope. Members served 74 volunteer hours and 122 miles traveled.

The new ambulance has been delivered and Councilman Gritsavage mentioned that he had gotten a tour of the new ambulance.

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned when ready and the new ambulance is road ready to post the old ambulance on Auction International. Councilman Simmons seconded the motion and passed by  
A Vote of 5-Ayes: Groff, Gritsavage, Roosa, Simmons and Anderson 0-Nays

**HARDFILL:** There were a total of 71 vehicles and \$25.00 in fees collected for Tires for the month.

**HAULING FEES:** The month of June2018 fees were as follows:

County Transfer	99.62Ton @ \$53	\$5,279.86
Curbside Recycling	12.94Ton @ \$20	\$ 258.80
Transfer Station Recycling	5.24Ton @ \$10	\$ 52.40
Material 72 (Metal Hauling)	4.08 Ton @ \$20.00	\$ 81.60
Material 79TS (Electronic)	1.83 Ton @ \$ 0.00	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total		\$5,672.66

**Northville Fire Department:**

**June 2018:** There were a total of 14 responses and a total of 193.63-man hours for the month of June. Village of Northville 1-Fire Alarm Activation, 1-Smoke in a Residence and 1-Hazardous Condition; Town of Northampton 1-Cover Assignment and5-Hazardous Condition; Town of Edinburg 1-MVA PI and 1-Hazardous Condition. Town of Hope 1-Hazardous Condition. 2 Mutual Aid Given.

1. Northville participated in a large scale ICS plan for large venues
2. Members from Northville and Edinburg did annual OSHA ladder training
3. Members checked all trucks and equipment to insure in all working order
4. Members drafted with 1014 from the lake thru deck gun
5. Northville will be cooking food for the annual “Doins”.

**SACANDAGA PARK WATER & SEWER**

**June 2018**

Water:

-June 2017 usage – 1.611,000 gallons pumped

-June 2018 usage – 1,209,00 gallons pumped

Meters

-No problems to report

Repairs/Maintenance:

- Repaired leak on service line and replaced lead gooseneck. Installed new copper line and new curb valve at 239 Count Hwy 152.

Wastewater:

-June 2017- daily average flow 31,800 gallons

-June-2018- daily average flow 8,600 gallons

Repairs/Maintenance

- Repairs completed on the backup Generator.
- New seal installed in RBC drive unit.
- Evaluation is completed on RBC unit and findings and 3-recommendations are enclosed withrepair estimates.They have replaced the seal. Councilman Roosa asked if there was an option of replacing the old system with a rebuilt RBC unit. Supervisor Groff mentioned he hated to spend \$250,000 on an ancient system that may not be worth fixing. Councilman Gritsavage asked if you are watching the equipment and there is a problem how long will it take for them to come and fix the problem? Mr. Cramer responded that it would be up to them and when then can fit us in their schedule. Discussion ensued there were any grants available for this. Not sure but we could apply for a low interest loan if need be responded Supervisor Groff. If we can get by until spring and do some research in the meantime.

**TOWN CLERK**

**MOTION:** Councilman Andersonmotioned to approve the Town Clerk’s June 2018 monthly report as presented by the Town Clerk. Seconded by Councilman Roosaand was passed by, A Vote of 5-Ayes Groff, Anderson, Simmons, Gritsavage, and Roosa 0-Nays

07/01/2018

**Town Clerk Monthly Report  
June 01, 2018 - June 30, 2018**

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Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share
A1255	Conservation	Conservation	30	38.29
	Town Clerk Fees	Marriage License	2	25.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$63.29</b>
A2130	Hardfill Site	Hardfill Site	1	28.00
	Transfer Station	Transfer Station	84	840.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$868.00</b>
A2544	Dog Licensing	Exempt Dogs	2	0.00

		Female, Spayed	63	441.00
		Female, Unspayed	2	26.00
		Male, Neutered	54	378.00
		Male, Unneutered	10	130.00
		Replacement Tags	2	6.00
		<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$981.00</b>
A2770	Minor Sales	Fax	36	36.00
	Photo Copy	Photo Copy	125	31.25
		<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$67.25</b>
B2555	Building Permits	Building Permits	11	572.50
		<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$572.50</b>
B2770	Municipal Searches	Municipal Searches	4	100.00
		<b>Sub-Total:</b>		<b>\$100.00</b>
		<b>Total Local Shares Remitted:</b>		<b>\$2,652.04</b>
	Amount paid to:	New York State DOH for Marriage Licenses		45.00
	Amount paid to:	NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program		153.00
	Amount paid to:	NYS Environmental Conservation		655.71
	<b>Total State, County &amp; Local Revenues:</b>	<b>\$3,505.75</b>	<b>Total Non-Local Revenues:</b>	<b>\$853.71</b>

To the Supervisor:

Pursuant to Section 27, Sub 1, of the Town Law, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all fees and monies received by me, Elaine Mihalik, Town Clerk, Town of Northampton during the period stated above, in connection with my office, excepting only such fees and monies, the application of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Supervisor

Date

Town Clerk

Date

### Letter of resignation

**MOTION:** Councilman Anderson motioned to accept the letter of resignation effective immediately from Raymund Hatch Jr. on the Town of Northampton Assessment Board of Review. Councilman Simmons seconded the motion and was passed by,

A Vote of 5-Ayes Groff, Anderson, Simmons, Gritsavage, and Roosa 0-Nays

### NEW BUSINESS

There has been no update on the Time Warner (Spectrum) Cable agreement.

Supervisor Groff mentioned that Don Wood will be putting on a Running Race (the Great Sacandaga Half Marathon). Mr. Wood needs support from the Town of Northampton. A packet has been provided to the Supervisor of the proposed race.

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned approval of the Great Sacandaga Half Marathon (Running Race) on May 19, 2019 starting at 9 a.m. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion and was passed by, A Vote of 5-Ayes Groff, Anderson, Simmons, Gritsavage, and Roosa 0-Nays

Councilman Simmons mentioned

- Mr. and Mrs. Anker have spoken to him regarding what he perceives as a speeding and reckless driving problem on County Highway 152 between the Northville Bridge and McKinley Avenue. Could be possibly mention this to the Sheriff's Department.
- There had been a speeding problem in the Village. This carries over into the Town. I've spoken with the individuals involved and it seems that the matter is all straightened out.
- We received information from Ken Adamczyk as the Director of the Northville/Northampton Joint Youth and he has signed it as the Northville Notary President.
- Request from the Rotary Club on a possible platform on using the lake. I have spoken with Mr. Hodgson of the HRBRRD. I want to make a few recommendations to the Town Board. There is a 40' or 41' permit that is unassigned. I feel that the Town should apply for that permit. It would be nice for the town to have. Then if there is a Club whom would like to do something to that area where the HRBRRD would have a say. The Town would apply for a Use Permit and then we would get a work permit from the HRBRRD. I think that the Supervisor and Town Board should sit down before we grant anybody doing anything and discuss what we would like to see in the future of the property out behind the townhall. Supervisor Groff mentioned that he wouldn't want to building anything without talking with the whole board first.

**MOTION:** Councilman Gritsavage motioned that Councilman Simmons apply for the HRBRRD permit behind the town hall. Councilman Roosa seconded the motion and was passed by,  
A Vote of 5-Ayes Groff, Anderson, Simmons, Gritsavage, and Roosa                      0-Nays

Close the public session at 7:40 p.m.

The next Town Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 7 p.m.

**Adjourn:**CouncilmanAnderson motioned to adjourn at7:41p.m. Councilman Simmonsseconded the motion.All board members were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Mihalik, Town Clerk