

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Conesus, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 6210 South Livonia Road, Conesus, New York on the 4th day of June 2024 at 7:00 PM.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Donald Wester	-----	Supervisor
	Gary Sparks	-----	Deputy Supervisor
	Jerome Butterbrodt	-----	Councilman
	Brian McCarty	-----	Councilman
	John Fama	-----	Councilman
\	Julie C. Shutt	-----	Appointed Town Clerk
	Dan Marusiak	-----	Highway Superintendent

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Town Attorney, Donald Young, Bert and Pat Auinger – Conesus Senior Citizens of the Year, Audrey deWit – local Scout working on her Eagle Scout Project, and approximately 13 other visitors

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Supervisor Wester opened with a moment of silence and Councilman Fama led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Wester called Bert & Pat Auinger forward to honor them as Senior Citizens of the Year. They were recently honored by Livingston County at Seniorama as well. Supervisor Wester read off their many, many contributions to our community and presented them with a certificate.

Audrey deWit shared her proposed Eagle Scout Project with us: “Renovations to the Ricky Greene Park Gazebo and Fence”. The project includes the replacement of two steps and some minor latticework, as well as the sanding, power-washing, and repainting of the entire gazebo, with exception to the roof. The fence will also be sanded painted. Audrey has estimated her costs. She is awaiting more paperwork and go-ahead from Scouts.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Next Town Board Tuesday August 6, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

**RESOLUTION #89 ACCEPT THE TOWN CLERK'S MINUTES**

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Butterbrodt, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE that the Town Board accepted the Town Clerk's minutes of June 4, 2024, and request they be posted on the Town of Conesus website.

**Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye,  
Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye**

**RESOLUTION #90 ACCEPT THE SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

On a motion of Deputy Supervisor Sparks and seconded by Councilman McCarty, following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE that the Town Board accepted the Supervisor's monthly report for June 2024 as follows:

Receipts:

General Fund \$15,496.30

Highway Fund \$10,234.23

Special Districts \$0.00

TOTAL

Disbursements:

General \$66,349.67

Highway \$264,136.57

Special District \$0.00

Cell Tower \$0.00

TOTAL \$330,486.24

**Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye,  
Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye**

**RESOLUTION #91 ACCEPT THE TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

On a motion of Councilman Butterbrodt and seconded by Councilman Fama, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE that the Town Board accepted the Town Clerk's monthly report for June 2024 as follows:

Total Local Shares Remitted \$1,118.54  
New York State Department of Health \$22.50  
NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program \$10.00  
NYS Environmental Conservation \$0.00  
TOTAL \$1,151.04

**Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye**

**DISCUSSION – TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Appointed Town Clerk Julie Shutt shared the following:

- She attended the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Local Government Conference at Houghton College on June 6. Classes I attended included: Municipal Clerks, Enacting Local Legislation, FOIL & Open Meetings Law, and Understanding the Budget Process.
- Biggest takeaways from that conference: all about Town Clerk minutes and the requirements of posting minutes. Interesting quote from conference: "Turnover is the biggest detriment to local Government." Town Clerk Shutt believes that has been evident in the Town Clerk's office over the past year, but she is hopeful she can make a difference.

~~~ Town Clerk Shutt shared that she is thankful for the Town Board's support of continuing education as it is critical for her growth in this role.

- We are renewing our membership with the New York State Town Clerk's Association – another extremely valuable resource.
- In June Town Clerk Shutt did her first marriage license and registered her first death as Registrar of Vital Statistics.
- The Town Clerk's office will be closed July 15-19. New hours beginning July 29 are as follows: Monday: 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM, Tuesday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Thursday: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. I am hopeful that this variety will better serve the residents of Conesus.

### **DISCUSSION ASSESSOR REPORT**

Assessor Rados was not present, but Supervisor Wester read his brief report:

- The Final Assessment Roll for 2024 has been completed and is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

### **DISCUSSION CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Code Enforcement Officer Maxwell reported on the following:

- 8 permits were issued
- There were a couple of calls from E. Lake Rd. residents regarding docks, visited and talked to them, and seem to be resolved easily.
- There are a few complaints regarding the DaCola Shores right-of-way situation, but not filed on paper, explained we are waiting on the court.
- Been attending to the usual site visits and phone calls.

### **DISCUSSION HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Highway Superintendent Marusiak was not present, but asked Supervisor Wester to report the following:

- Turkey Hill & north end of Partridge Corners repairs are complete
- Storm damage on June 30<sup>th</sup> on East Swamp and Camel Rd.
- Mowing – purchasing the new mower has greatly cut down on the amount of time it takes to get the town mowed – both tractors can go out.
- Next up after the Fourth of July holiday: crossover pipe on North Railroad Ave.

### **DISCUSSION PARK UPDATE**

Councilman Butterbrodt reported on the following:

- In addition to Audrey deWit's report on her Eagle Scout Project, we will be getting bids for the gazebo roof.
- New framework and stone put down for the glider swing
- Supervisor Wester added that all of this takes teamwork. We are also getting specs done. Once specs are complete, we will seek bids on the project.

**DISCUSSION TOWN HALL PROJECT**

Supervisor Wester reported on the following:

- The project is complete and looks great!

**DISCUSSION UPDATES ON KEY ISSUES:**

**Conesus Lake Association Representative**

Councilman Fama reported on the following:

- **CLA Arts & Crafts Show** is in it's 49<sup>th</sup> year! The show this year is Saturday July 20, 10am to 5pm and Sunday July 21, 10am to 4pm at Long Point Park, (Route 256), Geneseo, NY.
- There is one more Veteran Boat Tour for this year.
- On July 10 at 6:30 PM, Ken Estes from Cornell Cooperative Extension and Lydia Williams from Yates County will talk about the Master Forest Owner program. They will also speak on the Master Gardener program and Master Food Preserver program available through CCE. It's in-person at the Watershed Education Center at Vitale Park. Go to [Conesuslake.org](http://Conesuslake.org) to sign up for these events.

**Town of Conesus and Livingston County Planning Board Representative/ Livingston County Board of Supervisor/GLOW/Liv. County Water & Sewer (LCW&S)**

Supervisor Wester reported the following:

- Livingston County Planning Board - some towns are looking at moratoriums on solar and looking to update their laws. Supervisor Wester feels our laws are recent enough that we are up-to-date and in good shape.
- Lack of infrastructure and buffering zones are likely in our favor to not have a lot of issues with big solar projects.
- From the Board of Supervisors: still looking for a replacement for County Administrator, Ian Coyle. The Board of Supervisors is currently looking over applications for a new administrator.
- The Board of Supervisors appointed Megan Crowe to be the Livingston County Planning Director.

**Town of Conesus Zoning Board of Appeals Representative**

Councilman McCarty reported the following:

- ZBA met on June 24, 2024. Approved minutes from May 20. Michael and Ellen Gardner were requesting conditional use permit for a one-bedroom bed and breakfast. They were granted a 2-year conditional use permit pending fire marshal approval.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS UPDATES/RESOLUTIONS**

**DISCUSSION POP UPDATE**

Deputy Supervisor Sparks updated us on the following:

- Livingston County has chosen an area near the intersection of Stagecoach Rd. and NYS Route 15 for the POP (Point of Presence) needed for high-speed internet expansion. Megan Crowe from Livingston County has let us know that we are no longer involved in this now that a county location has been chosen.

**RESOLUTION #92 TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE BAR**

On motion of Councilman Fama, seconded by Councilman McCarty, the following resolution was ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE that the Town Board appointed Ed Hynes to the Board of Assessment Review, effective July 2, 2024, to fill a term that will expire on September 30, 2026.

**Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye**

**NEW BUSINESS/RESOLUTIONS**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Tina Monachino of Marrowback Road spoke regarding the steep curve on Bishop Rd. as you go downhill and approach Partridge Corners Rd.

Highway Superintendent Marusiak is in favor of “curve ahead” type signs on both sides of the curve where Bishop meets Partridge Corners Rd.

Tawn Feeney of Marrowback Road spoke with concerns about the property to the west of her operated by Mr. Ribble. She expressed concerns about

- No changes to zoning
- No SEQR done
- No site plan done

It is her understanding that Mr. Ribble has ceased operations. Ms. Feeney and her neighbors are looking for a resolution.

Town Attorney Donald Young commented: an inspection has been done and a letter of violation has gone out. The party involved has about 30 days to respond to the violation/remedy order. The town is working with a prosecutor should they need to take this further.

**RESOLUTION #93 ACCEPT THE CLAIMS**

On a motion of Deputy Supervisor Sparks and seconded by Councilman Butterbrodt, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to pay the vouchers in the following amounts:

General Fund: Vouchers #184 - #232 totaling \$55,365.32

Highway Fund: Vouchers #86 - #101 totaling \$239,067.66

**Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye,  
Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye**

**RESOLUTION #94 ADJOURN THE MEETING**

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman McCarty, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

**Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye,  
Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye**

Respectfully submitted,



Julie C. Shutt

Appointed Town Clerk

