

MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF GLENVILLE
September 15, 2021
AT THE GLENVILLE MUNICIPAL CENTER
18 GLENRIDGE ROAD, GLENVILLE, NEW YORK

Supervisor Koetzle called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM;

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Christopher A. Koetzle, Councilmen Michael Aragosa, Michael R. Godlewski and Councilwoman Gina Wierzbowski

Absent: Councilman James Martin
Councilmen James M. Martin joined the meeting at 7:10 PM

Also, present were Courtney E. Heinel, Attorney for the Town;
Jason Cuthbert, Comptroller.

Town Council Reports

Councilman Godlewski: Just a few comments Mr. Supervisor, folks might notice some teal ribbons going up around town specifically in the Village of Scotia and Alplaus but also in other parts of Town. September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, the teal ribbons show a sign of solidarity in regards to ovarian cancer and ovarian cancer awareness. Jeff and Candy Magile over in Alplaus on South Street are some of the folks that are coordinating some of the ribbon's distribution, so if anyone

interested you can reach out to them. Also, I attended, along with many others on the board and in this room, attended the unveiling of the Legacy Park. The dedication to the Legacy Park and the unveiling of the sign on 9/11. It was a very nice ceremony, obviously somber considering what happened 20 years ago on 9/11. But also, very nice. It's a park that is going to be dedicated to our veterans and it's going to help veterans and serve veterans in our community. Under the circumstances, I was very happy to attend that. Chris mentioned that 9/11 having come and gone, I know we were all in different places on 9/11. When it happened, I was in my first year of college, not to date myself, in my first year of college at Skidmore. I distinctly remember there was a vigil on the campus green and kids, at the time kids, talking about different things that members of their family had experienced. There were a good number of the Skidmore kids that were from the Manhattan area who had relatives that lived near by or who worked in the World Trade Center. It's something I frankly can't believe twenty years has passed; it seems like it happened yesterday to some degree but I you know I definitely think we can't say "never forget" enough when it comes to that. That's all, Mr. Supervisor.

Councilwoman Wierzbowski: Just a couple of things, Mr. Supervisor. I had the honor of attending the twentieth 9/11 ceremony, at the Water's Edge

Lighthouse. Pat Popolizio and his wife Karen and John Wells, from Wells Nursery, have put that event on for, every year, for the last 20 years. If you haven't found the time to go, I would encourage you to do so. It is an extremely moving ceremony especially being that it was the 20th anniversary. And for me the day was a little bit more involved because it just seemed twenty years has been gone in the blink of an eye. So, the fact that there were so many people there, remembering all the people that were lost, made the day very special. I think it was also very uplifting and appropriate to attend the Legacy Project ribbon cutting as well. One thing that I took away from there that at the active service member from the Guard Base spoke about the project and he basically said the members at the base, at the Guard Base, will be looking forward to the opening of that project. For those of you who don't know The Legacy Project is an 11 county, covers an 11-county initiative, to build a café and

a museum and a counseling center for veterans and active service members, who would like to come and find fellowship. And for those of us you would like to come and support them as well and you know we kind of take the Guard Base for granted because it's been here so for so long. You go to the market and you see somebody in uniform or in their fatigues or something. So, its kind like oh ok we know they are there, the planes fly over and I always tell me daughter when she says, Oh the Planes, and I say they are a sign of freedom Kirsten. But the service member that spoke to make my point, he said that the members that come in from out of state, coming from farther away to serve at the Guard Base often need a place to be that isn't the Guard Base. This project will give them hopefully what will be a home away from home where they can find fellowship and find support and find a place where they can go and relax, grab a bite to eat with their friends. And see other veterans and kind of just find a place for their heart as well. The fact that that is going to be in Glenville? That's so special to me, so it was a very heart-warming way to end a day that was so sad for all of us 20 years ago. So that's all.

Councilman Aragosa: I would like to say thank you all for attending the events this weekend I was out of the way, a previous engagement. I appreciate the fact that you represented us there. Tomorrow morning, 8:15 Crosstown Plaza in Schenectady, there is a mass food distribution sponsored by the Catholic Charities they are looking for volunteers, if anybody has free time and try to get out there. Next, I will be on a Zoom next Thursday with local food pantries and local partners with food distribution, to talk about Schenectady County Healthy Equitable Food Action Plan. To try and get that up and running and try to get, the object is to get to a point where we don't have crisis. Where we are ready for events as they come. As you all know Oktoberfest is a week from Saturday in Maalwyck Park, we are looking forward to that event. Dave Hennel is here tonight and I'm sure he might have something to say about it. Rotary Golf Tournament is coming up October 13th and I'm pretty sure they still have some openings so if anybody is interested. I want put out my personal appreciation to the Highway Department they did some work on a culvert at the end of Horstman Drive. A sewer drain or catch basin at the end of Horstman Drive and did some paving to make, get us through the winter for sure. There was a big hole and they did a great job

fixing that. Just an up date on paving; the Montclair, Bellaire, Catalina, Dawn areas are now finished. They are moving on the Glen Oaks hopefully tomorrow depending on if it rains. That's it.

Councilman Martin: The Planner position is open and we have some resume's I'm reviewing and I'm going to be going over them with Melissa tomorrow. We have some good candidates and I am looking forward to reviewing them and getting that position filled.

Supervisor Koetzle opened the public hearing.

No one wished to speak; Supervisor Koetzle closed the public hearing at 7:08 PM

Supervisors presents "The Budget Forum"

Privilege of the Floor: Dave Hennel; spoke about Oktoberfest.

Supervisor's Comments: I want to thank Arianna Stark for her great work. I was able to attend her dedication of her Boot Brush Station at Sanders Preserve and she did a wonderful job putting this in for residents and to protect the Sanders Preserve from invasive species. So now its really recommended before you go into a preserve like that, that you clean your boots so you don't bring anything into the preserve that doesn't belong there, which was happening a lot. This was her Gold Award for her Girl Scouts Gold Award Project, it was wonderful and I've heard people have already used it, it was just great. So, make sure you use it, clean your feet before you go into the preserve. We are going to look at doing it in other places as well because it really cuts down on invasive species.

I might mention Mayor Gifford, the Mayor and I met, also with Trustee Gray to work on some grievance that the Town and Village had some different perspectives on. One being the Sacandaga sidewalk and we were able to work out an agreement that the Village will be paying for their portion of the sidewalk. We also worked out, also in parks, a dog park agreement in principle. That we will be helping our resident below the avenue access the dog, the Scotia dog park, by having a lump sum

payment from the Town, that will be on the work session that we have in October. Also, we did talk about youth programming with the Village of Scotia, on how we come together and do more youth programming. We have some, I think, exciting ideas we can talk about that as well.

I was able to meet with the folks at RAD Soap, everyone is excited about RAD Soap opening up on Freeman's Bridge Road. That was one of the major good news points of Freeman's Bridge Road, is that we start that renovation on that building, its coming together beautifully. It looks great and its going to look great when its done. What I heard from our residents is that RAD Soap is just a manufacturing facility there and everyone wants to buy the soap. I didn't even know anything about the soap, you have to go to Stuyvesant Plaza to buy the soap. So, I got together with some of our small business owners and I got together with RAD Soap and we all came into the conference room, we sat down and they passed around soap, everyone was smelling soap. The good news is there's going to be some distribution points here in the Town of Glenville of RAD Soap, some of our small businesses will be selling that soap. I was able to help facilitate bringing those two things together and we are very excited about that.

I was able to attend the senior picnic last week and what was great about that was no so much the hotdog and the ice cream or the fact that they beat me at corn hole. But she was a ringer, I played with Barb Brown and Barb Brown acted like she wasn't any good at this and I was killing her at the beginning and then all of a sudden, she came on. After she beat me, she said you didn't know I was a pitcher in the Army, did you? But it was great to see everyone back and they were so excited to be back, talking to each other again. That socialization was so important to them and it was a great event.

Lastly, I was able to attend an event over at the Guan Ho Ha, Play for Kids, that's a great, great program for raising money for the Ronald McDonald House. I was honored to be a part of that. I was at the 9/11 ceremony and obviously as the Master of Ceremonies, the Veterans Park ceremony, the same.

That very same day I had to go scoop ice cream in St. Stephan's at

Berkley Square for a movie night. It was so great to see that neighborhood, there were like one hundred people that came out of their houses to watch a movie. It was just like what the community is all about and that is great. I won't say anything more about Oktoberfest, everyone come, it's going to be great. We did have a small ribbon cutting at the playground for the Maalwyck new inclusive playground. I've been talking with Cathy Gatta about doing a county check presentation and a we kind of thought a good idea was to pick a time. I'm waiting to hear back from Cathy on this, she is talking to the other legislators, to pick a time at Oktoberfest to do a check ceremony. Please let me know your availability so when I talk to Cathy, we can find a time that's best for the board and the legislators to do the check ceremony. We figured there would be a lot of people there, it would be something noticeable. Not that everyone is going to gather but it would be something people can watch. The rest, as I already did the Budget Forum so no more finances tonight. So that's all I have.

Sponsored by: Christopher Koetzle, Town Supervisor
Submitted by: Thomas Coppola, Highway Superintendent

RESOLUTION NO. 175-2021

Moved by: Councilwoman Gina Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman Jim Martin

WHEREAS, there is a vacant Laborer position in the Glenville Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Glenville advertisement for the position resulted in several applicants for the position; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent conducted interviews to fill the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent recommends that Scott Francisco be appointed to the position;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby provisionally appoints Scott Francisco, 516 Elliott Street, Glenville, New York to the position of Laborer, effective September 7, 2021, at a starting rate for such title of \$16.02 per hour and benefits as determined by the agreement between the Town and the CSEA Highway Employees Unit.

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021.

Sponsored by: Gina M. Wierzbowski, Town Councilman

Submitted by: Earl Redding, Attorney for the Town

RESOLUTION NO. 176-2021

Moved by: Councilwoman Gina Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman James Martin

WHEREAS funding has been made available under a competitive grant process through the NYS Justice Court Assistance Program for funding of municipal court security projects,

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the Town of Glenville to apply for available funding to assist with the financing of such projects for the Town Court,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby authorizes the Town of Glenville Town Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2021-22 grant cycle up to \$30,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Christopher A. Koetzle, Supervisor of the Town of Glenville, is authorized to execute all necessary documentation for the 2021-2022 grant application for court funding under the NYS Justice Court Assistance Program.

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021

Sponsored by: Christopher A. Koetzle, Town Supervisor

Submitted by: Courtney Heinel, Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 177-2021

Moved by: Councilwoman Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman James Martin

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Glenville (herein called the "Town Board" and "Town," respectively), in the County of Schenectady, New York, has received a written petition, dated July 28, 2021, pursuant to section 191 of the Town Law, for the extension of Water District No. 11 (herein called "District") whose petition was signed by the owners of at least one-half (1/2) of the assessed valuation of all taxable real property situate in the proposed District and including the signatures of resident owners of at least one-half (1/2) of the assessed valuation of such taxable real property situate in the proposed District owned by resident owners, all as shown upon the latest completed assessment roll of said Town, and a map, plan and report for the extension of Water District No. 11 of the Town of Glenville dated July 28, 2021 and a revised map, plan and report dated August 2021, both prepared by BOVA Engineering PLLC. and Advance Engineering & Surveying PLLC. for a service lateral connection including the installation of approximately eighty (80) linear feet of water main as an extension to the existing six (6) inch main in Foch Road, installation of a new fire

hydrant, the new water service connection for the residential dwelling will terminate at the R.O.W. line with a curb stop and box and individual water service to the proposed residential dwelling to be provided through the use of ¾" Type K copper water service connected via corporation stop to the new six (6) inch diameter water main (herein called the "water improvement") so as to make the current extension from the existing Water main in Foch Road to the lands of the petitioner known as 177 Foch Road (S/B/L 29.5-2-28) possible, was prepared and is now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Order duly adopted on September 1, 2021, the Town Board has determined to proceed with the establishment of the proposed extension to the District and adopted an Order reciting a description of the boundaries of the extension of the District in a manner sufficient to identify the lands included therein as in a deed of conveyance, the improvements proposed, the maximum amount proposed to be expended for the construction of the Water Improvement in the District, the proposed method of financing to be employed, the fact that a map, plan and report describing the same are on file in the Town Clerk's office for public inspection and specifying September 15, 2021, at 7:00 PM, as the time when, and the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, New York, in the Town, as the place where, the Town Board would meet to consider the establishment of an extension of the District and to hear all person interested on the subject thereof concerning the same, and for such other action on the part of the Town Board in relation thereto, as may be required by Law ; and

WHEREAS, certified copies of such Order were duly published and posted pursuant to the provisions of the Town Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has given due consideration to the impact that the proposed extension to the District may have on the environment and on the basis of such consideration, the Town Board has found that no substantial adverse environmental impact will be caused by the extension of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and the Town have complied in every respect with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations regarding environmental matters, including compliance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, comprising article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and, in connection therewith, a duly processed Negative Declaration and/or other applicable documentation has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing in the matter was duly held by the Town Board on said September 15, 2021, commencing at or about 7:00 PM, at the Glenville Municipal Center, 18 Glenridge Road, Glenville, New York, at which all interested persons desiring to be heard were heard, including those in favor of, and those opposed to, the proposed extension to the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon the evidence adduced at such public hearing

be it

RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Town Board of the Town of Glenville, in the County of Schenectady, New York as follows:

Section 1. It is hereby determined that:

- (a) The Notice of Public Hearing was published and posted as required by Law, and is otherwise sufficient;
- (b) All the property and property owners benefited included within the proposed extension to the District hereinabove referred to in the recitals hereof are benefited thereby;
- (c) All the property and property owners benefited are included within the limits of the proposed extension to the District; and
- (d) It is in the public interest to establish the extension to the District.

Section 2. The establishment of the proposed extension to the District is hereby approved, as hereinafter described, and said District shall be designated and known as Extension No. 51 to Water District 11 in the Town and shall include the property commonly known as 177 Foch Road (S/B/L # 29.5-2-28).

Section 3. The Water Improvement is hereby authorized to be constructed in the District and the amount proposed to be expended therefor, including the expenses incurred in connection with the establishment of the extension to the District, is to be fully borne by the developer; the plan of financing is to be fully and completely borne by the developer, at no cost to the Town or other users in the District.

Section 4. The permission of the State Comptroller is not required with respect to the extension of the District because the cost of the extension to the typical property is not above the Average Estimated Cost to the Typical Properties for the establishment of similar types

of districts as computed by the State Comptroller.

Section 5. The Town Clerk of the Town is hereby authorized and directed within ten days after the adoption of this Resolution and Order, to file certified copies thereof, in duplicate, in the office of the State Department of Audit and Control in Albany, New York, record same in the office of the Clerk of the County in which the Town is located.

Section 6. This Resolution and Order shall take effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021.

Sponsored by: Michael R. Godlewski, Town Councilman
Submitted by: Julie Davenport, Interim Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 178-2021

Moved by: Councilman Michael Godlewski

Seconded by: Councilman Michael Aragosa

BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting held on September 1, 2021 are hereby approved and accepted as entered.

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021

Sponsored by: Michael R. Godlewski, Town Councilman
Submitted by: Julie Davenport, Interim Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 179-2021

Moved by: Councilman Michael Godlewski
Seconded by: Councilman Michael Aragosa

BE IT RESOLVED that the **Monthly Departmental Reports** for August, 2021
as received from the following:

Assessors Department
Justice Department
Receiver of Taxes
Town Clerk's Office
Police Department

be, and they hereby are accepted, approved for payment and ordered placed on file.

**Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman
Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle**

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021

Sponsored by: Christopher A. Koetzle, Town Supervisor
Submitted by: William Purtell, Town Assessor

RESOLUTION NO. 180-2021

Moved by: Councilwoman Gina Wierzbowski
Seconded by: Councilman James Martin

WHEREAS, Francis Murphy's term on the Board of Assessment Review
recently expired and he has requested to be re-appointed,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Francis Murphy, 1734 North Road, Amsterdam, NY 12010 is hereby re-appointed to the Town of Glenville's Board of Assessment Review for a term of five years according to Chapter 193 of the Real Property Tax Law of 1986, commencing October 1, 2021 and expiring September 30, 2026; and

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021

Sponsored by: Jim Martin, Councilman

Submitted by: Melissa Cherubino, Director of Community Development

RESOLUTION NO. 181-2021

Moved by: Councilman James Martin

Seconded by: Councilwoman Gina Wierzbowski

INTENT TO DECLARE SEQR LEAD AGENCY STATUS FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE MOHAWK HUDSON BIKE TRAIL

WHEREAS the town board authorized and approved the Freemans Bridge Road multi-use path project (pin. 1761.59), Town of Glenville, Schenectady County, and

WHEREAS the town's consulting engineer, Creighton Manning Engineering has advised the Town Board that the proposed project is an unlisted action in accordance with the rules and regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR), and

WHEREAS, the Town of Glenville is duly qualified to act as lead agency for compliance with SEQR which requires environmental review of certain actions undertaken by local governments and in accordance with the coordinated review procedures of SEQR, the Town of Glenville wishes to be designated as the SEQR lead agency for the proposed project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Glenville hereby indicates its wish to be lead agency for SEQR review of the proposed Freemans Bridge Road multi-use path project (pin. 1761.59); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the town board of the Town of Glenville authorizes and directs the town of Glenville's town supervisor to send a copy of the short environmental assessment form part 1 presented at this meeting, along with a certified copy of this resolution stating the town of Glenville's intention to be declared as lead agency, to any and all communities or agencies that it is necessary to give written notice to in accordance with New York State Town Law, including the New York state Department of Environmental Conservation, New York State Department of Transportation, New York state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation and Schenectady County.

This resolution will take effect immediately.

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021

Sponsored by: Christopher Koetzle, Town Supervisor
Submitted by: Thomas Coppola, Highway Superintendent

RESOLUTION NO. 182 -2021

Moved by: Councilwoman Gina Wierzbowski

Seconded by: Councilman James Martin

WHEREAS, there is a vacant Senior Automotive Mechanic position in the Glenville Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, Travis St. Louis has been employed by the Town of Glenville as a Heavy Equipment Mechanic since February 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Travis St. Louis has been performing the duties of the Senior Automotive Mechanic position on an out-of-title basis since the vacancy occurred; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent now recommends that Travis St. Louis be appointed to the position of Senior Automotive Mechanic;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Glenville hereby provisionally appoints Travis St. Louis, Glenville, New York to the position of Senior Automotive Mechanic, effective September 20, 2021, at a rate for such title of \$30.04 per hour and benefits as determined by the agreement between the Town and the CSEA Highway Employees Unit.

Ayes: Councilman Aragosa, Godlewski & Martin, Councilwoman Wierzbowski and Supervisor Koetzle

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

Town Board decision on September 15, 2021.

New Business:

Councilman Godlewski- Just try to make time to go to Oktoberfest, its going to be a great event. That's all.

Councilwoman Wierzbowski, Councilman Martin, Councilman Aragosa, Supervisor Koetzle- nothing.

Move to adjourn- Councilman Martin
2nd the motion- Councilman Aragosa

Meeting adjourned 8:20 PM