

SENECA FALLS TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 7, 2024

The Seneca Falls Town Board held a regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at the Seneca Falls Town office, 130 Ovid Street Seneca Falls.

Supervisor Schmitter called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A roll call was taken of board members the following members of the board were present:

TOWN OFFICER	Present	Absent
Supervisor Frank Schmitter	X	
Councilman Frank Sinicropi	X	
Councilman Jackson Puylara	X	
Councilwoman Dawn Dyson	X	
Councilwoman Kaitlyn Laskoski	X	

Also present were:

Town Manager Peter Soscia	X	
Town Attorney Patrick Morell	X	
Director of Parks & Recreation Missy Jones	X	
Town Assessor Deborah VonWald	X	
Zoning Officer Peter Porcelli	X	
Highway Superintendent Jeremy Wendt	X	
Police Chief Timothy Snyder	X	
Chief of Water & Sewer Joesph Tullo	X	

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

D. REGULAR MEETING

a. Presentations/Petitioners/Privilege of the Floor

- i. Police Dept. – 2023 Officer of the Year – Sgt./Inv. Martin Rotz – Presented by Chief Snyder – “Sgt./Inv. Martin Rotz, I want to congratulate you on receiving the Police Officer of the Year award. This honor is a testament to your unwavering dedication, exemplary service, and outstanding contributions to the Seneca Falls Police Department and the community it serves. Your commitment to upholding the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and compassion has not gone unnoticed. Through your tireless efforts, you have demonstrated exceptional leadership and selflessness, embodying the true spirit of law enforcement. In addition to your exemplary performance on duty, your willingness to go above and beyond to ensure the safety and well-being of the residents of Seneca Falls is truly commendable. Your ability to connect with members of the community, build trust, and foster positive relationships is a cornerstone of effective policing. Your colleagues and the community alike are undoubtedly proud to have someone of your caliber serving as a member of the Seneca Falls Police Department. Your dedication to duty sets a shining example for others to follow, and your contributions have undoubtedly made a lasting impact on the lives of those around you. As you reflect on this well-deserved recognition, please know that your hard work and dedication have not gone unnoticed. Your commitment to excellence serves as an inspiration to us all, and I have no doubt that you will continue to excel in your role as a leader within the department. Police Officer – 2014 Sergeant – 2019 Investigator – 2023.”
- ii. Police Dept. – 2023 Recognition of Outstanding Excellence – Sgt. MacLean – Presented by Chief Snyder – “Sgt. MacLean, Congratulations to you on receiving the 2023 Outstanding Excellence Award from the Seneca Falls Police Department. This achievement is a testament to your unwavering dedication, exemplary leadership, and outstanding contributions to our community. Your commitment to upholding the highest standards of service and professionalism has not gone

unnoticed. Through your hard work and determination, you have consistently demonstrated exceptional leadership and a steadfast commitment to public safety. Your colleagues and the community alike hold you in the highest regard, and this award is a well-deserved recognition of your efforts. Your leadership qualities, integrity, and dedication serve as an inspiration to us all. It is truly an honor to work alongside someone as accomplished and respected as you. Police Officer – 2020 Sergeant – 2023”

- iii. Town Supervisor – Resolution – Retirement Recognition – TS-2024-05 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution:
WHEREAS, Linda S. Marzan has decided to retire after 21 years of service to the Town of Seneca Falls as Deputy Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector/Receiver; and
WHEREAS, under the direction of the Tax Collector/Receiver, Ms. Marzan has received, recorded, and reconciled tax payments to the Town totaling millions of dollars; and
WHEREAS, Ms. Marzan continually went over and above to assist taxpayers with their payments, whether there were errors on checks, questions, or disputes, each with a view to ensure taxpayers would not incur penalties for lateness, if possible, and their concerns addressed; and
WHEREAS, Ms. Marzan has diligently and successfully performed her tax collection duties with perfect reconciliations each year; and
WHEREAS, as Deputy Town Clerk, she happily and competently assisted in the clerical aspects of the Town Clerk’s office such as licensing, filing, cemetery queries or helping the customer.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Seneca Falls commends Linda S. Marzan for her dedication and exemplary service, thanks her for those 21 years of service to the Town of Seneca Falls and wishes her a well-deserved long, happy and healthy retirement.” All in favor.
Motion carried.
- iv. Recognition – Sheila Giovanni – Visitor’s Center Board of Directors – Presented by Councilwoman Laskoski - In this day and age, where time is a precious commodity, it is important to find the right words to thank those that take the time from their busy lives to invest in our local community. It takes much more than time, rather it also takes energy, and passion in doing what Sheila Giovanni has done these past 6 years as she has served as Chair on the Visitors Center’s Board of Directors. Where we, as a community, have truly benefited from her time and talents for many years. Her actions as the Chairperson have raised the level of service our community has received. And truly has been an inspiration to others. On behalf of the Seneca Falls Town Board, we thank her for your selfless and ongoing leadership over the years. And sincerely wish her all the best in her new endeavors.”
- v. Claire Ludovico – Heritage Preservation Flyer – “I would like to begin with a short reading about the Town of Seneca Falls Heritage Preservation District:
Legislation Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls 10-1-2013 by L.L. No. 3-2014; amended in its entirety 8-4-2015
Legislative intent. (*For the creation of an Historic District*)
The purpose of this chapter is to promote the educational, cultural, economic and general welfare of the public through the protection, enhancement, perpetuation and preservation of the properties designated as historic. The Town Board declares that it is a public purpose to ensure that the distinctive and historical character of properties designated as historic shall not be injuriously affected, that the value to the community of those properties having architectural and historical worth shall not be impaired and that said properties designated as historic be maintained and preserved to promote their use for the education, pleasure and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Seneca Falls, New York, and others.
I will say that not every property in the district may seem to be historic. The Guidelines and Standards for the Protection and Enhancement of the Seneca Falls Historic District, however, state, “All

properties in the Historic District are equally important in their contribution to an overall sense of community pride.”

These Guidelines and Standards are based on the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and were written in cooperation of the National Park Service, the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, the Village of Seneca Falls Board of Trustees, and the Seneca Falls Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC). They have been modified somewhat over the years: Paint color and most landscaping is now left to the landowner’s judgement, for example. The HPC rules in accordance with the guidelines.

Many communities are proud to have an historic district. The city of Geneva prominently posts signs informing that one is entering its historic district. Perhaps, it is because residents of the district here dislike having an extra step in the process of providing exterior changes to their homes, or perhaps it is because the guidelines do not always coincide with the homeowners’ vision, or perhaps it comes as a shock to some to learn that they live within the historic district, but the Commission does not seem to be popular with many. To correct at least one of these cases, Virginia Konz and myself have created a flyer to be distributed to real estate agents and any other interested party. The flyer contains a map of the Historic District and a description of the creation of the district, the job of the HPC, and the advantages of living in the Historic District. Wilson Press has provided a quotation of \$135, which includes \$10 sales tax, for the two-sided color printing on nice paper and tri-folding of 250 8.5” x 14” copies. We would like the Town Board approve the spending of \$135 to improve HPC’s reputation and function.

To note, I found recently the HPC could be much less popular because legislation also provides:

[Penalties for offenses.](#)

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed a violation, and the violator shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$500 or imprisonment of not more than 15 days, or both. Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation.

To my limited knowledge, no one has ever been penalized in either manner. Thank you.”

- vi. Mark Pitifer – SMI Smell – Mark spoke on behalf of Waterloo Container regarding the odor from Seneca Meadows Landfill. They experienced 20+ days of odor in the month of April. Requesting that the town board follow its own codes and deny the landfill their operating permit.
- vii. Trina Hunt – Trina expressed her desire for the town board to have some method of over seeing the downtown festivals and ensuring that costs to small businesses don’t become exurbanite and become exclusive because of the cost associated.
- viii. Heather Bonetti – Heather is a resident and works in Waterloo at the Lafayette school. She experienced several days at the school where windows could not be opened due to the odor from Seneca Meadows Landfill.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - A motion was made by Councilwoman Laskoski to approve the meeting minutes from April 2, 2024 and April 19, 2024, seconded by Councilman Puylara. All in favor. Motion Carried.

F. COMMUNICATIONS - A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to accept the following communications:

- a. Barton & Loguidice – May, 2024
- b. MRB Group – May 2024
- c. Beverly Animal Shelter – April 2024
- d. Pro Nexus – April 2024
- e. NYS Public Service Commission – Application of Solar Energy Center, LLC – Requesting Comments
- f. Annual Software Support Contract - Williamson Law Book
- g. Beverly Animal Shelter Service Agreement – for DCO

All in favor. Motion carried. A short discussion was had regarding letter e.

G. SPECIAL EVENTS –

- a. Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry – Music in the Park Series – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilwoman Laskoski to approve the above-named event. Councilman Sinicropi asked if they have provided insurance for the event. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. Seneca County House of Concern – Canal Crawl - A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson to approve the above-named event. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Right to Run 19K, Inc. – 5K - A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to approve the above-named event. All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. Seneca Falls Business Association – Seneca Falls Canal Fest - A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson to approve the above-named event. All in favor. Motion carried.

H. REPORT OF COMMITTEES & PROJECTS – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to accept the following reports from departments and committees:

The following departmental monthly reports were submitted:

- a. Town Manager – Monthly Report
- b. Heritage Preservation Commission – Meeting Minutes April 2024
- c. Planning Board – Meeting Minutes April 2024
- d. Zoning Board – Meeting Minutes April 2024
- e. Zoning & Code Enforcement – Monthly Report
- f. Assessor – Monthly Report
- g. Water/Sewer Department – Monthly Report
- h. Highway Department – Monthly Report
- i. Parks & Recreation Department – Monthly Report
- j. Police Department – Monthly Report
- k. Town Supervisor – Monthly Report
- l. Town Clerk – Monthly Report

All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Schmitter made remarks the following remarks: Some of our projects that are going on. So, we had discussion about the ARPA a while back. They are finding has been cleared up after much hard work by Kathy Lankford, Tracy Jones and Tom Hatcher, Pete Soscia. All expenders of funds have been accounted for there. Never was a question of misappropriation the funds. It was more an issue with poor documentation of how the funds were spent. The report was reviewed by the talent attorney, Patrick, Camrell and submitted. So, at this time, our account is officially closed. Okay, now we have another product, the docks along the canal. Boating season starts May 17th. When the canal officially opens. These docks were recently condemned and cannot be used. I consider this to be the emergency situation so I have made it a priority resolve this issue as soon as possible so we can open up the docks for voting boat parking. Having these docks open brings a lot of people to Seneca Falls and helps these downtown businesses. With assistance from Jeremy Wendt and his Highway employees, he was able to fabricate the parts to resecure the docks. With help from the recreation department and highway department we should be able to do the entire project for less than twenty-five hundred dollars and it should be completed before the May 17 vote season. This shows how the town people all working together can get things done for the better of Seneca Falls. So, I want to thank Jeremy Wendt, Missy Jones, Aaron Passalacqua, and all the employees for working with me to accomplish this. This was a really serious issue that, you know, everybody jumped in and actually it's probably about 50% done

already. Jeremy pressure washed all the docks today and his employees have been fabricating the other parts and pieces needed. And hopefully, by next week, the docks will be up and running for the boat season. The next issue I had was a Kingdom Rd Pump station. There was an issue with order at the station last week, so I reached out to Superintendent of water, Joe Tullo, who responded and resolved the issue by turning up the chemical mixer. Thanks, Joe for handling this. We are currently working on repairing the pump station which will resolve the odor issue last week. I reached out to the Canal, Corp and was able to get the last permit needed to do the project. The town has received the permit and the project should be out to bid very shortly. So, we can resolve that issue. That's some of the products that are going on the town right now, and anybody has any questions about them?

I. OLD BUSINESS

- a. SMI Permit to Operate – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi to table this matter until the September 2024 meeting, seconded by Supervisor Schmitter. All in favor. Motion carried.

J. NEW BUSINESS

- a. LaBella – Resolution – SEQRA Negative Declaration Seneca Falls North Canalside Enhancements – LAB-2024-02 – A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Councilman Puylara the motion was seconded by Councilman Sinicropi: **WHEREAS**, the Town Board and the Seneca Falls Economic Development Corporation is seeking NYS Canal Corp's approval to make improvements along the north side of the Seneca Canal (Tax Parcel IDs 11-3-31, 11-3-52, 11-3-47.12 & 11-3-06.1) and provide crucial connections between the downtown area and the waterfront; and **WHEREAS**, the proposed improvements (Project) at People's Park will activate the canal edge and the interior of the park by extending the waterfront treatment along the edge of the park; this will create enhanced pedestrian access to the Seneca Canal from Ovid Street to Bridge Street. Additional pathways and lighting will link the park and adjacent streets to the waterfront, enhancing the nighttime setting for events. New decks at the canal ledge and a new floating dock are proposed to provide lookout and photo opportunities with views of the historic Seneca Knitting Mill; and **WHEREAS**, the project work also includes saw-cutting existing parking, removing some asphalt and subbase entirely, mill/fill of asphalt roads, installation of stamped concrete within an existing parking lot, crosswalks, and the canalside walkway, constructing ADA compliant sidewalks throughout the park, installing a new playground, moving (2) utility poles, removal and replacement of trees, installation of new light poles, ramp enhancements at the east end of the Project site, and providing stairs to Bridge St. at the west end of the Project site; and **WHEREAS**, the proposed ground disturbance is +/- 1.5 acres; and **WHEREAS**, the Project is classified as an Unlisted Action under SEQRA, and the Board performed an uncoordinated review; and **WHEREAS**, LaBella Associates was retained to prepare the Part 1 Short Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"); and **WHEREAS**, LaBella Associates prepared Parts 2 and Part 3 of the EAF, with an accompanying narrative, which the Board has reviewed; and **WHEREAS**, in accordance with SEQRA and its regulations, the Board has performed its environmental review of the Project.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,
 - 1. The Board has considered the Project and its potential for environmental impacts; Part 1 of the EAF and Parts 2 and 3 of the EAF prepared by LaBella; the criteria contained in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §617.7(c); and other supporting information to identify the relevant areas of environmental concern; and thoroughly analyzed the identified relevant areas of environmental concern to determine if the Project may have a significant adverse impact on the environment, and finds

that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment because of the reasons discussed in the narrative to the EAF Part 3, which is incorporated in full herein and attached hereto.

2. Pursuant to SEQRA, a Negative Declaration is therefore issued for this Project.

All in favor. Motion carried.

b. LaBella – Resolution – Accept Bid for Kayak Launch – LAB-2024-03 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Seneca Falls, NY accepts the bid from **Northeast Products and Services, Inc.** dated 5/1/2024, in the amount of \$165,399.00 for the ADA Kayak Launch project, DRI Project 2A, located at the Seneca Falls Community Center. All in favor. Motion carried.

c. Town Clerk – Resolution – Release of Funds (\$500.00) to the Seneca Falls Community Band – TC-2024-13 – A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi. **WHEREAS**, the Town Board has passed the 2024 Town Budget which includes items and amounts for the benefit of the Seneca Falls Community Band (SFCB) to fund the SFCB's General Account in the amount of \$500.00; and

WHEREAS, the SFCB has requested release of such funds for the 2024 calendar year which includes events for the general public's enjoyment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board is authorized to release the \$500.00 to the SFCB paid from account A7270.400. All in favor. Motion carried.

d. Town Clerk – Resolution – Dog License Changes – TC-2024-14 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Laskoski and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson to approve the following resolution: The Town Clerk was made aware at the Association of Towns Annual Conference for Town Clerks that there was an option to allow for licensing of dogs for 1, 2, and 3 years rather than having residence renew their dog license on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS the fee schedule would be set to the following:

	1-year	2-year	3-year
Female Unspayed	\$15.50	\$28.00	\$40.50
Male Un- Neutered	\$15.50	\$28.00	\$40.50
Senior – Female Unspayed	\$10.50	\$18.00	\$25.50
Senior – Male Un-Neutered	\$10.50	\$18.00	\$25.50
Female Spayed	\$8.50	\$16.00	\$23.50
Male Neutered	\$8.50	\$16.00	\$23.50
Senior – Female Spayed	\$3.50	\$6.00	\$8.50
Senior – Male Neutered	\$3.50	\$6.00	\$8.50; and

WHEREAS the Clerk's office would like to offer this option to the community with the understanding that should an animal be transferred from one owner to another, pass away, or otherwise not be in the care of the original registrant, there will be no refunds of money.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the office of the Town Clerk allow registration of dogs from 1 year – 3 years. All in favor. Motion carried.

e. Waive 30-day Notification Requirement for Liquor License – TC-2024-16 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution. **WHEREAS**, the owners of 31 Fall Street submitted the required standard notice forms to the Town Board for review and acknowledgment at the March 5, 2024 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the board did in fact acknowledged the receipt of the application, the owners of 31 Fall Street were subsequently made aware that the names of all owners must be on the application for a license and are now submitting an amended Notice Form to the board for acknowledgement and approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board waives the 30-Day notification requirement for the establishment located at 31 Fall Street. All in favor. Motion carried.

- f. Town Court – Resolution – Attend Annual 2024 NYS Association of Magistrates Court Clerks (NYSAMCC) Conference and Training – CT-2024-04 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilwoman Laskoski to approve the following resolution: WHEREAS, the NYSAMCC will be hosting their annual conference from September 29th to October 2nd 2024 in Niagara Falls, New York and is it required by New York State that each Court Clerk obtain six (6) training credits yearly; and WHEREAS, the total cost to attend this training, including registration, hotel, meals and mileage will not exceed \$2,190.00 in total. Monies to attend this conference were budgeted for in the 2024 education expense line A1110.405; and
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Courtney Andrews and Ashlie VanDoren be able to attend the 2024 NYSAMCC conference and training, at a cost not to exceed \$2,190.00 in total.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board authorizes Courtney Andrews and Ashlie VanDoren to attend the training where they will obtain their mandatory yearly training credits. All in favor. Motion carried.
- g. Water/Sewer – Resolution – Hire Water & Sewer Maintainer – FG-2024-12 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, there is a need to fill an open Water & Sewer Maintainer position;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board approves appointing Austin StJohn from Seneca Falls at a rate of \$26.55/hr. Supervisor Schmitter – Aye
Councilman Sinicropi – Aye
Councilwoman Laskoski – Nay
Councilwoman Dyson – Nay
Councilman Puylara – Nay
Motion failed.
- h. Water/Sewer – Resolution – Promotion to Water & Sewer Plant Operator Trainee – FG-2024- 13 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Town Board realizes there is a need to fill a vacant Water & Wastewater Operator Trainee position; and
WHEREAS, laborer Troy Pickard has passed the exam and is in the top three on the eligible list;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the appointment of Troy Pickard to the position of Water & Wastewater Operator Trainee at a rate of \$26.55/hr. Supervisor Schmitter – Aye
Councilman Sinicropi – Aye
Councilman Puylara – Nay
Councilwoman Dyson – Nay
Councilwoman Laskoski – Nay
Motion Failed.
- i. Water/Sewer – Resolution – RFQ – Security/Fire Alarm Contractor – FG-2024-14 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Town of Seneca Falls has multiple buildings and facilities which require security/fire monitoring systems; and
WHEREAS, the Town does not currently have a contractor dedicated to installing and monitoring these systems;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Seneca Falls Town Board authorize posting, and advertising and RFQ for Security/Fire alarm contractors.
- j. Water/Sewer – Resolution – RFP – SCADA/Systems Integration Contractor – FG-2024-15 – A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson to approve to following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Seneca Falls water and sewer department has multiple PLC control systems at its treatment facilities, water towers, and pumping stations; and

WHEREAS, an available, dedicated contractor who is familiar with these particular systems is crucial to the daily operation of said facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town's procurement policy section 3.05 states that all professional services would be selected using the formal RFP/RFQ process,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Seneca Falls Town Board authorize posting and advertising an RFP for SCADA/PLC Integration Services.

Councilman Sinicropi felt that the resolution sounded like it was written for a particular company and did not want to vote in favor of it.

Supervisor Schmitter – Aye

Councilman Puylara – Aye

Councilwoman Dyson – Nay

Councilwoman Laskoski – Nay

Councilman Sinicropi – Nay

Motion Failed.

- k. Parks & Recreation – Resolution – Landscape Trailer Purchase – CR-2024-05 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilwoman Laskoski to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Town of Seneca Falls recognizes the need for a new landscape trailer; and **WHEREAS**, the acquisition of a new landscape trailer will enhance the municipalities' ability to transport equipment, materials, and tools required for landscaping and maintenance tasks; and **WHEREAS**, funds have been allocated in the Town of Seneca Falls Parks and Recreation budget, line item CR7140.208 for the procurement of a new landscape trailer; and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the purchase of a new 18 ft landscape trailer with ramp assist from Finger Lakes Dairy for \$4,995 as this is the lowest quote received. All in favor. Motion carried.
- l. Parks & Recreation – Resolution – Advertising and Hiring of Part-Time Seasonal Staff – CR-2024-06 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Town of Seneca Falls Parks and Recreation Department requires additional part-time assistance during the summer months to maintain and enhance summer programs and facilities; and **WHEREAS**, the Town of Seneca Falls has allocated funds in the 2024 Parks and Recreation budget to support the hiring of all part-time seasonal employees; and **WHEREAS**, the Parks and Recreation Department hires the following part-time seasonal positions; Laborer, Playground Director, Summer Play staff, Preschool Instructor, Vince's Park Manager, Assistant Park Manager, Grounds Crew, and Lifeguards with pay ranging from \$15 to \$22 per hour, based on qualifications; and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the advertising and hiring of Parks and Recreation part-time seasonal employees. All in favor. Motion carried.
- m. Highway – Resolution – To Repair and Replace Broken Light Poles – DA-2024-06 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Seneca Falls Highway Department is responsible for the maintenance, repair, or replacement of light poles throughout the town; and **WHEREAS**, many of the light poles are in poor condition, broke, and unsafe and in need of replacement or repair; and **WHEREAS**, Seneca Falls Highway Department is looking to purchase six (6) light pole assemblies which include the light poles, slip fit tops, globes & LEDs retro fit light assemblies at the cost of \$1,750.00 per light pole assembly (total cost of \$10,500.00); and

WHEREAS, two light poles and two globes are to replace completely and the rest of the materials are purchased to have for other damage incurred thought the year,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Seneca Falls Town Board authorize the purchase of these items. All in favor. Motion carried.

- n. Highway – Resolution – Authorizing the Award of Heavy Equipment Rental – DA-2024-08 – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Town of Seneca Falls Highway department received bids on 4/2/24 from two companies Seneca Stone Co. & DiGeorge Construction Serviced LLC; and **WHEREAS**, DiGeorge Construction Services LLC was the Lowest bid; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the bid from heavy equipment from DiGeorge Construction Services LLC be accepted. All in favor. Motion carried.
- o. Highway – Resolution – Hire Motor Equipment Operator – DA-2024-07 – Executive Session. Removed from agenda.
- p. Town Clerk – Resolution – Community Garden Mural – TC-2024-15 – A motion was made by Councilman Sinicropi and seconded by Councilman Puylara to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Community Garden has received a grant from the Auburn Public Theatre in the amount of \$2,125.00 and a grant from the Bonafiglia Foundation in the amount of \$3,000.00; and **WHEREAS**, the Community Garden Coordinator, Tricia Carvalho, has secured all needed equipment and supplies for the mural; **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the attached design, created by Nestor Ortiz, be allowed to commence on or around June 26, 2024. All in favor. Motion Carried.
- o. Town Supervisor – Resolution – Employee Pay Adjustments – TS-2024-09 – Executive Session. Removed from agenda.

- K. **PAYMENT OF BILLS** – A motion was made by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilwoman Laskoski. All in favor. Motion Carried.

FUND	TOTALS
General Fund – Townwide	\$312,324.75
Recreation	\$26,549.36
Vince’s Park	\$15,719.60
Highway Fund – Townwide	\$47,448.38
Water Fund	\$143649.94
Sewer Fund	\$318,073.11
Downtown Revitalization	\$25,780.89
Townwide Refuse District –	\$17,056.16
Obligations – Old Village -	\$804.78
TOTAL	\$907,406.97

- L. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – A motion was made by Councilwoman Laskoski and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson to enter into executive session to discuss matters related to proposed, pending or current litigation and medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or relating to an appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline or removal. All in favor. Motion carried.

Members of the board exited executive session at 7:33 pm.

Town Supervisor – Resolution – Send Notice of Non-Renewal of 2012 Leachate Agreement – TS-2024-10 – A motion was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilman Sinicropi to approve the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Town of Seneca Falls and Seneca Meadows, inc. entered into an agreement to allow leachate generated and pre-treated by the Seneca Meadows Landfill to be transported through and treated by the Town’s public sanitary sewer system; and

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WHEREAS, the agreement provides for an initial term of four years with automatic renewal for two-year terms unless either party provides notice to the other that they do not wish the contract to renew by July 1 in the year prior to the termination date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Seneca Falls will provide notice to Seneca Meadows, Inc. that the Town does not wish the 2012 Leachate Agreement to automatically renew. All in favor. Motion carried.

Members of the board re-entered executive session at 7:35 pm.

A motion was made to exit executive session by Councilwoman Dyson and seconded by Councilwoman Laskoski. All in favor. Motion carried.

M. SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY – A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Puylara and seconded by Councilwoman Dyson. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The Seneca Falls Town Board Regular Meeting ended at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully,

Melissa Brown
Town Clerk