

**Regular June Meeting
June 19, 2024**

ROLL CALL

Deputy Supervisor Baily-Swisher opened the Regular Town Board Meeting at 5:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Dept. Supervisor called roll with the following results:

Present in person: Councilmen Mallette and Olmstead with Superintendent Alfano and Clerk Gunn also present.

Absent: Supervisor Johnson

Arriving later into the meeting: Zoning Officer Patterson, Attorney Gilbert and Councilman Mayhew

MINUTES From Last Meeting

Deputy Supervisor called for a motion from the Board to accept the minutes from the March Town Board Meeting. These minutes have been emailed in advance to the Council members.

Motion 24-06-01 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Olmstead

Accept the March 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes .

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher & Mallette Yes

Mayhew & Johnson - Absent.

Motion approved.

OLD/ NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Supervisor announced the position of a Boat Launch Steward has been filled. The Brantingham Community Association has selected Nicholas Ramos as the Steward for the 2024 Summer position.

Deputy Supervisor asks for a motion from the Board naming DC Building Systems as the company awarded the contract for roof repairs on the Town Highway Garage.

Motion 24-06-02 made by Councilman Olmstead, Seconded by Mallette

Award the Contract for Roof Repair on the Highway Garage to:

Bidder	Main Bid	Alt#1	Alt#2	Alt#3
DC Building Systems	\$338,600	\$10,000	\$19,700	\$25,000

The Award is for the Main Bid only – total \$338,600.

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes

Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

The following Resolution was put forward by Councilman Olmstead and Seconded by Mallette

RESOLUTION

2024-06-#1

At a regular meeting of the Town of Greig, Lewis County, New York, held at the Town Offices, in said Town on the 19th day of June, 2024 at 5:30 pm, prevailing time.

The meeting was duly called to order by Deputy Supervisor Bailey-Swisher and upon roll being called, the following were:

Present:	Nichelle Bailey-Swisher	Deputy Supervisor
	Kerry Mayhew	Councilman
	Donald Mallette	Councilman
	Steve Olmstead	Councilman

Absent	Robert Johnson	Supervisor
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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greig is responsible to maintain the buildings used by the town, and it has become required for repairs to be made to the roof of the Highway Garage; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greig has received a competitive bids to have this work accomplished; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has asked for a formal resolution of the Town Board authorizing him to undertake such action,

Now, Therefore, it is

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Greig does hereby authorize and direct its Supervisor, Robert Johnson, to commence a Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of Serial Bonds or a Statutory Installment Bond not to exceed \$370,000 to be used to finance the repair and replacement of the roof on the Town Barn Building

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote as follows:

Robert Johnson	Voting	Absent
Nichelle Bailey-Swisher	Voting	Aye
Donald Mallette	Voting	Aye
Kerry Mayhew	Voting	Aye
Steve Olmstead	Voting	Aye

The resolution was thereupon declared and duly adopted.

DATED: June 19, 2024

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Greig, New York.

Thomas P. Gunn, Town Clerk

The following Resolution was put forward by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Mayhew
RESOLUTION

2024-06-#2

At a regular meeting of the Town of Greig, Lewis County, New York, held at the Town Offices, in said Town on the 19th day of June, 2024 at 5:30 pm, prevailing time.

The meeting was duly called to order by Deputy Supervisor Bailey-Swisher and upon roll being called, the following were:

Present:	Nichelle Bailey-Swisher	Deputy Supervisor
	Kerry Mayhew	Councilman
	Donald Mallette	Councilman
	Steve Olmstead	Councilman
Absent	Robert Johnson	Supervisor

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greig is responsible to create and maintain a long range financial plan to maintain its major Highway Equipment fleet according to the NY State Accounting Standards.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greig has identified equipment needing replacement according to the plan

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has asked for a formal resolution of the Town Board authorizing him to undertake such action,

Now, Therefore, it is

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Greig does hereby authorize and direct its Supervisor, Robert Johnson, to commence an application for the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development Agency (USDA) for the following:

A Loan not to exceed \$152,245
A Grant not to exceed \$124,564

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote as follows:

Robert Johnson	Voting	Absent
Nichelle Bailey-Swisher	Voting	Aye
Donald Mallette	Voting	Aye
Kerry Mayhew	Voting	Aye
Steve Olmstead	Voting	Aye

The resolution was thereupon declared and duly adopted.

DATED: June 19, 2024

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Greig, New York.

Thomas P. Gunn, Town Clerk

The following Resolution was put forward by Councilman Mallette, Second by Olmstead

RESOLUTION

2024-06-#3

At a regular meeting of the Town of Greig, Lewis County, New York, held at the Town Offices, in said Town on the 19th day of June, 2024 at 5:30 pm, prevailing time.

The meeting was duly called to order by Deputy Supervisor Bailey-Swisher and upon roll being called, the following were:

Present:	Nichelle Bailey-Swisher	Deputy Supervisor
	Kerry Mayhew	Councilman
	Donald Mallette	Councilman
	Steve Olmstead	Councilman

Absent	Robert Johnson	Supervisor
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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greig is responsible to maintain financial stability for the Town of Greig; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greig is now facing larger than anticipated expenses and seeks to better maintain a controlled future; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has recently received offers to purchase certain future receivables for the lease of land for the Verizon Cell Tower; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has asked for a formal resolution of the Town Board authorizing him to undertake such action,
Now, Therefore, it is

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Greig does hereby authorize and direct its Supervisor, Robert Johnson, to commence negotiations and sign a letter of intent to sell the future receivables for the lease on land for the Verizon Cell Tower for an amount greater than \$310,000.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote as follows:

Robert Johnson	Voting	Absent
Nichelle Bailey-Swisher	Voting	Aye
Donald Mallette	Voting	Aye
Kerry Mayhew	Voting	Aye
Steve Olmstead	Voting	Aye

The resolution was thereupon declared and duly adopted.

DATED: June 19, 2024

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Greig, New York.

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Councilman Olmstead reported he is still working on getting the playground equipment installed. It looks like it might be taking place in July.

The Board discussed the “Short Term Rental” law. At the recent workshop, which took place on Wednesday June 12th, the Board heard from many residents, who mostly had concerns with the Town trying to create such a law. Councilman Mallette brought forth the Monday June 17th issue of the Watertown Daily Times and read some of the story for those who did not get a chance to see it. In the article he cited, the New York legislature has proposed a State Registry for Short Term Rentals. This law would require all parcel owners who rent on a short term to register with the State. This law would also prevent any Town in the state, who did not have a prior law, from creating such a law. The Greig Town Board decided to table any efforts to create a “Short Term Rental” law.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Deputy Supervisor Bailey-Swisher passed out a page from Supervisor Johnson which outlined budget amendments he requested be made to keep budgeted accounts from going negative. The changes follow:

Motion 24-06-03 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Olmstead

Increase revenue account A2389, Revenues From Other Governments, from \$0 to \$3000. This is the expected contribution from the Brantingham Community Association towards the Boat Stewards salary.

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Motion 24-06-04 made by Councilman Olmstead, Seconded by Mallette

Move \$7000 from account A7140.1, Playground Personnel Services, to A7140.4 , Playground Contractual. This is to correct a previous amendment that was done backwards

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Motion 24-06-05 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Olmstead

Move \$3000, to A7140.1 , Playground Personnel Services. This is to pay the Boat Steward with money from the BCA shown in A2389, Revenues From Other Governments

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Motion 24-06-06 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Olmstead

Move \$4200 from account A8810.11, Cemetery Personnel, to A8810.4 , Cemetery Contractual. This is to correct a previous amendment that was done backwards

Vote: Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mallette & Mayhew Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.Mallette

The financial report for the month has been sent to the Councilmen by email prior to the meeting,

Motion 24-06-07 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Mayhew
Approve the May financial report as presented by Supervisor Johnson

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mayhew – Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Alfano reported:

Blacktop complete on South Chases Lake Road.

Two trucks broke down during the month. They were repaired by the highway crew.

Replaced a culvert that gave out at the end of Partridgeville Road

Residents on McConnell Road and Linda Place Road have asked to have the speed limit set at 30 mph. These are both dead end roads and have a large density of homes along the roads. The traffic is going much too fast for a local street.

Motion 24-06-08 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Olmstead

Apply to the Lewis County Highway Superintendent and New York State Department of Transportation for permission to post the speed limit of 30MPH on the McConnell Road and Linda Place Road in the Town of Greig. These are both dead end roads, with many homes on them and should not have traffic at 55MPH allowed on them.

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher, Mayhew – Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

CLERKS REPORT

Clerk Gunn distributed the May 2024 report by email to Board Members. Report contained details of the following financial actions:

There were general fund collections of:

1 Marriage License	\$ 40.00
7 Zoning Permits	\$ 350.00
4 Certified Copies	\$ 40.00
3 Dog Licenses	\$ 50.00
Total Collections:	\$ 480.00

The expenditures were:

Town Supervisor as Revenue	\$ 450.50
NY State Animal Population Control Program	\$ 7.00
NY State Health Department for Marriage Licenses	\$ 22.50

Total Payments \$ 480.00

Tax Tax Collections

Total Collections May 2024	\$ 54,591.82
Total Payments May 2024	\$ 11.68
Bank Balance end of May 2024	\$ 110,073.34

Motion 24-06-09: made by Councilman Olmstead, Seconded by Mayhew

Approve Clerk's financial report as presented.

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Mayhew and Bailey-Swisher Yes Johnson Absent

Motion Approved

BOARD REPORTS

Zoning Officer reported 7 Zoning Permits issued, with 1 Special Permit Application and 1 Major Subdivision Requested. ZO also reported on a citation letter issued to a parcel on Long Point Road for Zoning Violations. Attorney Gilbert requested a copy of the citation letter and the ZO indicated he would forward a copy to him.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney requests Deputy Supervisor move into executive session to enable discussion of legal issues involving the Supreme Court Case and a Personnel issue.

Motion 24-06-10 made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Mayhew

Move Board into executive session to discuss legal issues with the current Supreme Court Case involving the Brown's building on North Shore Rd. and a personnel issue. 6:30PM

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher & Mayhew Yes Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Motion 24-06-11 made by Councilman Olmstead, Seconded by Mallette

Move Board out of executive session. 7:00PM

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher & Mayhew Yes

Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Motion 24-06-12 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Mallette

After discussion, the Board wished to make a motion to terminate the ZO Position within the Town Budget as a result of recent personnel problems. This will terminate the Zoning Officer from the Town of Greig.

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher & Mayhew Yes

Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Motion 24-06-13 made by Councilman Olmstead, Seconded by Mallette

Request the Supervisor obtain a Shared Services Agreement with Lewis County to provide the duties of Zoning Officer for the Town of Greig. This will relieve the expense for the function from the town budget and allow applicants for permits to have a single place to visit for both Zoning and Building permits and inspections..

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Bailey-Swisher & Mayhew Yes

Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

VOUCHER REPORT

May 2024 Abstracts containing “to be paid” vouchers were reviewed by the Board.

Totals expended by fund were:

General Fund	14,572.34
Highway Fund	19,428.58
Trust & Agency	5,782.11
Total paid in May 2024 Abstracts =	\$39,783.03

Motion 24-06-14: made by Councilman Mallette, Seconded by Mayhew

Approve Vouchers

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher - Yes

Johnson - Absent

Motion Approved

Being no further business brought forward,

Motion 24-06-15 made by Councilman Bailey-Swisher, Seconded by Olmstead

Motion to adjourn 09:35PM

Vote: Mallette, Olmstead, Mayhew, Bailey-Swisher - Yes

Johnson - Absent

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted

Thomas Gunn, Clerk