

TOWN OF FREETOWN
2369 McGraw Marathon Rd
Marathon, NY 13803
April 12, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Freetown, NY was held on April 12, 2023. At the Town Hall. Supervisor Lisa Grinnell, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Lisa Grinnell, Town Supervisor
Ward Fox, Councilperson
Crystal Jenney, Councilperson
Dylan Barber, Councilperson
Robert Stewart, Councilperson

Recording Secretary: Serina Ingrahm, Town Clerk

Others Present: Art Hawley, Jean Weiss, Jim Weiss, Gail Heady, John Leyburn, and John Slocum.

Monthly reports from the Town Clerk, Bookkeeper, Code Enforcement, Justice, and Highway Dept. were received and reviewed.

Motion 23: Made by Supervisor Grinnell and seconded by Councilperson Stewart to accept the minutes for February 2023.

Votes:	Councilpersons:	Robert Stewart: Aye	
		Crystal Jenney: Aye	
		Ward Fox: Aye	
		Dylan Barber: Aye	
	Supervisor:	Lisa Grinnell: Aye	Passed

OPEN FLOOR:

Jim Weiss conversed with Don Armstrong on the attempted Junk Law. Mr. Weiss states that Mr. Armstrong agrees that the law is unenforceable the way it is written. Board members are considering withdrawing the idea of a junk law. Instead the possible creation of a garbage/trash law or nothing. Mr. Weiss would also like our Town Enforcement Officer Alan Butler to start enforcing and sending permits through the planning board for review. The Freetown rumor has been spreading that a resident wants to build a campground on Tarbell Rd, Nothing has been confirmed.

Cortlandville uses the Property Maintenance law to try to enforce junk and trash overload. Town Clerk has had no luck in ordering the playground equipment through BJ'S wholesale. Councilperson Stewart is going to try his luck.

Councilperson Jenney will call the Cortland County Landfill to see if residents could use the town's credit left from Amnesty Day and if we could use credit to dispose of tires.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Superintendent Hawley Reports his crew has been patching holes in the roads of Freetown. Clean up the parking lot in front of Town Hall. Mr. Hawley's plan is to start paving dirt roads (Merihew, Deneve, and Ferber) examples.

Amanda Barber has agreed to help apply for a grant for a new salt shed. Mr. Hawley is trying to get 3 estimates to build a shed. Bank papers need amending adding Heide Alnutt as her Supervisor alternate.

Councilperson Barber suggested Supervisors remind highway employees to join retirement the town's offering.

Motion 24: Made by Supervisor Grinnell and seconded by Councilperson Stewart to approve paying bills from the following accounts. Vouchers 42- 63.

(A) General \$ 5,781.11

(DA) Highway \$ 15,037.15

The meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm

Acknowledged by Town Clerk,

Serina Ingrahm

Town Board stayed late to audit Town Clerk and Tax Collector.