# REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Mayfield Town Board was held on December 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 6:30 PM at the Mayfield Municipal Complex, 28 N. School St. Mayfield NY 12117. The meeting was opened by Supervisor Richard Argotsinger with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Argotsinger

Councilman Vincent Coletti Councilman Jack Putman

Councilwoman Roberta Ricciardi Councilman Thomas Ruliffson

ALSO PRESENT: CEO Damon Curley, DCO Karen Wilson, Richard DaCorsi, Chris Warner, Randy VanNostrand, Bonnie VanNostrand, Michael Angus, David Sammons, Jeff Martin, Carl Avery, Helen Menge, Jim Menge, Jerry Moore, Charlene St. Dennis, Marjorie Jones, William Jones, Ralph Desiderio, Melissa Mazzarelli

At this time Supervisor Argotsinger requested retiring Town Justice Marjorie Jones and her Court Clerk Charlene St. Dennis, outgoing Councilman Jack Putman, James Cownie from the Board of Assessment Review who was unable to attend and retiring Zoning Board of Appeals member David Sammons to come forward and accept a token of appreciation for their years of service to the Town of Mayfield.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Helen Menge spoke of problems with Gray Road and a culvert that is always washing out. She stated that this year is worse, and questioned if there was problems with the dam at the Gloversville Waterworks. Supervisor Argotsinger stated that FEMA funds have been requested for repairs to Gray Rd, Tomantown and Tyrell Rd.

Randy and Bonnie VanNostrand stated that since the last meeting, the end of Tyrell Road has not been completed or plowed as should be.

# 6:45 PM - OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOCAL LAW NO. 7 - SOLAR MORATORIUM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Mayfield, Fulton County New York at the Mayfield Municipal Complex, 28 N. School St. Mayfield NY 12117 on December 10, 2019 at 6:45 PM for the purpose of proposed Local Law No. 7 of 2019; Extending Local Law No. 4 of the year 2019 Entitled "A Local Law Imposing a Six Month Moratorium on the construction or Erection of a Solar Farm in the Town of Mayfield" for an Additional Six Months. All interested parties will be heard at this time.

November 26<sup>th</sup> 2019

Nancy Parker

**Town Clerk** 

Town of Mayfield

Richard DaCorsi questioned why solar farms cannot be located on the sight of the old landfill on Sand Hill Rd.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

CEO Damon Curley submitted his report with 2 permits issued in November. The Planning Board will review 3 lot line adjustments at their next meeting. Borrego Solar is reworking their bond numbers. Pauls Autobody has completed the Storage Units and they are now available to rent. The homeowners

of the home on Riceville Rd that burnt last month have been advised that it will be cheaper to tear it down than to rebuild due to lack of insurance. A Junkyard has been completely cleaned up. Still waiting on input from the Air B and B committee for more ideas for local laws.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – Mel Dopp, absent, no report given. Nothing from the highway committee.

SUPERVISORS REPORT — NYS DOT has finally returned an answer to the speed limit reduction request on St Hwy 29A from Nine Mile Tree Road to St Hwy 29 and denied a reduction in the current speed limit of 55 MPH. A letter was received from Northern Forest Center seeking a donation of \$150.00 to help expand the forest industry in the northeast.

RES #158 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilwoman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board will not make a donation to Northern Forest Center.

Discussion about salt used at the schools. For the past few years the schools have not been paying for the salt used from the Town Barn.

RES #159 On motion by Councilwoman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board will resume billing Mayfield Central School for salt used during the winter season.

An email was received from residents on Mariners Rd ext again this year stating that snow is being plowed across the road by the town truck leaving them unable to get out of their road. The homeowners are elderly and state this dangerous due to emergency services being unable to access that area. Third quarter compensation report was received.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

BROADALBIN / MAYFIELD RURAL CEMETERY – Jerry Moore, President of the Broadalbin / Mayfield Cemetery Association came before the board to ask for some emergency funding to help get some trees removed and to replace recently broken equipment. Supervisor Argotsinger spoke with Town Attorney Carmel Greco and stated that the Town can accept donations, but cannot make donations. Further discussion will be tabled.

Jerry Moore, Bonnie VanNostrand, Randy VanNostrand and Richard DaCorsi left the meeting at 7:10 PM LANDFILL AGREEMENT – The County is requesting a list of what trucks will be used at the landfill in 2020. RES #160 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board authorizes Supervisor Argotsinger to sign the agreement with the Fulton County Landfill.

### YEAR END MEETING

RES #161 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilwoman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board will hold the year end meeting on December 30<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 5:00 PM at the Mayfield Municipal Complex.

# ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

RES #162 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilwoman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board will hold the Organizational Meeting for 2020 on January  $1^{st}$ , 2020 at 1:00 PM at the Mayfield Municipal Complex.

# **SOLAR LAW**

RES # 163 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilwoman Ricciardi the following resolution was adopted by Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Richard Argotsinger AYE
Councilman Thomas Ruliffson AYE
Councilman Vincent Coletti AYE
Councilwoman Roberta Ricciardi AYE
Councilman Jack Putman ABSTAIN

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the adoption of Local Law No. 7 of 2019 as follows: Local Law No. 7 of 2019

A local law Extending Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2019 Entitled "A Local Law Imposing A Six Month Moratorium on the construction or Erection of a Solar Farm in the Town of Mayfield" For an Additional Six Months.

Be it enacted by the Town board of the town of Mayfield as follows:

#### Section 1. Title

This Local Law will be known as the extension of Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2019 entitled "A Local Law Imposing a Six Month Moratorium on the construction or Erection of a Solar Farm in the Town of Mayfield", for an additional six months.

#### Section 2. Intent

In the aforesaid Local Law, the Town board of the Town of Mayfield set forth that the purpose thereof was to prevent and avoid serious detrimental health, environmental, planning conditions and development contrary to the Comprehensive Plan, which threaten the town of Mayfield, outside the Village of Mayfield, by allowing degradation of its significant environmental resources and in order not to undermine the conscious and continuous determination by the Town to resolve and lessen such threats to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Mayfield, outside of the Village of Mayfield. It was further stated that the purpose of said Local Law was to enable the Town of Mayfield, exclusive of the Village of Mayfield, to prevent the construction or erection of a solar farm for a reasonable time pending the completion of a new or further local law regulating such construction in the Town of Mayfield. The Mayfield Town Board has not as of yet completed its investigation and research for the formulation of a new or further local law regulating such construction in the Town of Mayfield and will require additional time in order to do so.

#### Section 3. Moratorium Extended

Local law No. 4 of the year 2019 imposing a six month moratorium on the construction or erection of a solar farm in the Town of Mayfield shall be and the same is hereby extended for an additional period of six (6) months, commencing January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, as permitted by Section 6 of Local Law No. 4 of the year 2019. Except as modified hereby or inconsistent herewith, all of the provisions, terms and conditions contained in said Local Law No. 4 of the year 2019 shall be and are hereby continued in full force and effect, and are also hereby ratified and affirmed.

### Section 4. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RES # 164 On motion by Councilwoman Ricciardi, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)
RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the minutes from the November 12<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting.

#### **TRANSFERS**

RES #165 On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the transfers for the following accounts:

\$2,300.00	From: A1990.4 – Contingent	To: A1910.4 – Unallocated Ins.
\$1,000.00	From: A5132.2 - Garage Equipment	To: A5132.4 – Garage Contractual
\$4,000.00	From: A5132.2 - Garage Equipment	To: A5132.4 – Garage Contractual
\$3,500.00	From: DA9010.8 – State Retirement	To: DA5142.4 – Snow Removal Contractual
\$8,000.00	From: DA5120.4 – Bridges & Culverts	To: DA5142.4 – Snow Removal Contractual
\$5,000.00	From: DA5120.4 – Bridges & Culverts	To: DA5130.4 – Machinery Contractual

# APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

RES #166 On motion by Councilwoman Ricciardi, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)
RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the payment of vouchers in the following accounts for abstract # 12 of 2019:

A.	GENERAL TOWNWIDE	\$19,698.23
B.	GENERAL OUTSIDE VILLAGE	\$868.84
DA.	HIGHWAY TOWNWIDE	\$14,571.52
DB.	HIGHWAY OUTSIDE VILLAGE	\$2,793.41

CLERKS REPORT – The Town Clerks report was submitted with fees collected in the A Account of \$485.00 and the B Account of \$245.00.

# **REMINDERS:**

VOUCHERS DUE FRIDAY DECEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup> 2019

VOUCHERS DUE JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> 2020

NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> 2020

ALL TOWN OFFICES ARE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> 2019 AND WEDNESDAY JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2020 FOR THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS HOLIDAY

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATION**

RES #167 On motion by Councilman Coletti, seconded by Councilman Ruliffson the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board entered Executive Session at 7:23 PM

RES #168 On motion by Councilwoman Ricciardi, seconded by Councilman Coletti the following resolution was adopted 5 AYES (Argotsinger, Coletti, Putman, Ricciardi, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board exited Executive Session at 8:05 PM

# **ADJOURMENT**

On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilman Ruliffson the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Parker

Town Clerk/RMO