

Present:

Town Supervisor: Meg Wood

Councilpersons: Richard Gero, Lynn Donaldson and Leanne Welch, Steve Miller

Town Clerk: Erica Hedden

Also Present: Sally Deliberato, Fran & Skip Mahler, Dave Williams, Keith Usiskin, Ruzanne Behrens, Susan Conroy, Allen Conroy

Supervisor Wood called the presentation to order at 6:00 P.M. with a salute to the Flag.

Public Participation:

Sally Deliberato stated: Hello I live at 5 Fowler Ave. I mentioned this the last meeting, the black top. Because its not a one way, people drive all over. There are so many people that walk up and down Fowler Ave. I have pictures with me today of my husband's cousin who fell on the sidewalk, fell and broke her ankle. The side walk is black top, its black and it is hard to see the difference between the sidewalk and the road. I plan to attend the board meetings until this issue is addressed. I do not want to see anyone else get hurt. I want to either see if become one way or see the sidewalk fixed. I noticed that since our sidewalk was done with black top, that no other sidewalks were done this way.

Councilperson Gero stated: The sidewalks are supposed to be concrete. What happened with that sidewalk, it was done by a prior administration and I do not think it was done correctly. We have had a lot of discussion lately about the sidewalks. After talking with Joe and Ethan, we are thinking about possibly not doing any sidewalk projects next year, so we can get to the point where we can do a large substantial project. I want to be completely transparent with everyone. This is a very large expensive project. We have had some issues with scheduling, between the departments and the contractors. We have had a lot of discussion on how we can resolve the communication issues. Ethan in sorts takes the lead on these projects but we have to coordinate with Joe for the demo. Joe is always so accommodating and willing to help, but he also has his own to do list and he is short staffed. Ethan also has a very heavy docket for his work load, and then adding in the contractor on top of that. It's a lot. So, our thought was if we 'save up' for one year and have a larger budget next year, we could afford to have the contractor do the demo work. Which is the most expensive part. Have the contractor do the demo and all the work involved, that frees up our highway department and our buildings and grounds department, plus the project would be completed quicker with less disruption to the ebb and flow of traffic because there are less hands in the pot. We have been having a lot of these conversations; we are really trying to find the best way. In the short term, I know previously we did paint a white line on the sidewalk, which is now faded. We might be able to do that again. I can reach out to DOT again through the shared services and see if we can get them to come up and spray the entire edge of the sidewalk white. This project, to do fowler all the way down to the sewer plant, is a massive expense. It needs to be done, but that will be very expensive. I want to make sure and be as transparent with everyone as possible. This is a project that may take more than one year to budget for as well as maybe even more than one year to complete.

Sally Deliberato stated: has there been any discussion about turning it into a one way?

Councilperson Gero stated: I am being honest, I do not think the way the grid pattern is laid out down there, I am not sure that is feasible. The way the streets intersect and when they meet, I am not sure we could do that. We are talking about making one or two of the other streets one way. We can put up "no parking" signs. We can certainly do that; we can always address things with signage.

Fran Mahler stated: I have a question about the food trucks. I had thought that there was 'plan' to get the food trucks here, or was it just if they show up, they show up?

Supervisor Wood stated: The Chamber had talked to several food truck vendors and the idea was that they would be here more often and have a rotating schedule. They are under no obligation from the Town to do so, this was all put together by the Chamber. Many food trucks have regular routes and regular locations they utilize, and we have no control or input into if they come to our beach or not.

Dave Williams stated: I am not here to talk about grants today. I am here to talk about the pickle ball court. There has been some discussion and it has come to my attention that some of the pickle ballers would like to have one of the lines painted a different color. The lines are blue on blue and they were wondering if one of the lines could be painted white. We have some volunteers that would like to help with this. If the town could buy the paint, then I am sure we can find some folks to get the painting done.

Supervisor Wood stated: we talked to the people that did the project last year, in order to re-do those lines, it would be upwards of \$10,000. Without going down to the surface and resurface, you are changing the character of the surface. Since we

already spend approximately \$79,000.00, we decided that we are not spending any more at this time. It is not that the paint cost that much, it's the labor costs.

Councilperson Gero stated: correct and if you don't use the correct paint or the correct procedure, it could lift what's there. If you don't do it correctly and take away what is there, it can for a lip where it overlaps the paint that is already there and it can lift the finish on the court. With the money that we have already invested into the court, I would hate to jeopardize the court, it would have to be done professionally.

REQUEST TO ACCEPT TOWN CLERK MINUTES OF 7/14/25 AND 7/28/25**RESOLUTION #141-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to accept the Town Clerks minutes of 7/14/25 and 7/28/25.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby accepts the Town Clerks minutes of 7/14/25 and 7/28/25.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood**REQUEST TO APPROVE VOUCHRS****RESOLUTION #142-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve vouchers

WATER: \$1,274.89 HIGHWAY: GENERAL: \$22,705.27 SEWER: \$ 8,829.98

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the vouchers.

WATER: \$1,274.89 HIGHWAY: GENERAL: \$22,705.27 SEWER: \$ 8,829.98

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 **NAYS:** 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller**ABSTAIN: Supervisor Wood****REQUEST TO APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS****RESOLUTION #143-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the monthly Building and Codes report for the month of July, as well as the Town Clerks monthly report for the month of July.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the monthly Building and Codes report for the month of July, as well as the Town Clerks monthly report for the month of July.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood**REQUEST TO APPROVE THE TOWN CLERK AS RECEIVER OF LOCAL NFP APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS FOR "GAMES OF CHANGE" FUNDRAISING EVENTS****RESOLUTION #144-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the Town Clerk as the Receiver of Local NFP applications and permits for "Games of Chance" fundraising events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the Town Clerk as the Receiver of Local NFP applications and permits for “Games of Chance” fundraising events.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER MEETING DATES AND 2026 BUDGET HEARING

RESOLUTION #145-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve changing the October monthly town board meeting to Tuesday, 10/14/25 at 6PM due to Columbus Day holiday.

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve changing the November monthly town board meeting to Thursday 11/6/25 at 6:00PM due to Elections.

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve setting a Budget Hearing for 11/6/25 at 5:15PM

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves changing October’s monthly meeting to 1/14/25 at 6:00PM, changing November Monthly meeting to 11/6/25 at 6:00PM and setting the 2026 Budget Hearing for 11/6/25 at 5:15PM

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE SETTING THE 2026 BUDGET WORKSHOPS

RESOLUTION #146-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the following dates for 2026 Budget Workshops

Monday, 8/18/2025 at 4:30PM Tuesday, 8/28/25 at 1:00PM Wednesday, 9/3/25 at 1:00PM

Tuesday, 9/9/25 at 1:00PM Thursday, 9/11/25 at 1:00PM Tuesday, 9/16/25 at 1:00PM

Tuesday, 9/23/25 at 1:00PM Thursday, 9/25/25 at 1:00PM Tuesday, 9/30/25 at 1:00PM

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the forementioned dates for 2026 Budget Workshops

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE REQUEST FOR “LINEAR SPEED LIMIT” CHANGE TO BE SENT TO NYSDOT FOR FAIRFIELD AVE.

RESOLUTION #147-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve an application to the DOT, form TE9(c), to establish 20MPH speed limit on one-way (west to east) Fairfield Ave with No Parking along south side of street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves an application to the DOT, form TE9(c), to establish 20MPH speed limit on one-way (west to east) Fairfield Ave with No Parking along south side of street.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR NYS DEC COMMUNITY SMART GROWTH GRANT FOR TOWN**ZONING CODE UPDATE****RESOLUTION #148-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH**

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has made grant funds available through the Adirondack Park & Catskill Park Community Smart Growth Grant Program – Round 8, wherein grant funds are made available to municipalities for projects that implement existing plans or develop new comprehensive plans within the Adirondack Park and Catskill Park, including the revision or creation of new local land use regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon has recently adopted an updated Comprehensive Plan that includes as a Priority Recommendation the rewriting of the Town zoning code as a unified development code; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon intends to apply for DEC Community Smart Growth grant funding to implement a project to update the existing zoning code in accordance with the updated Comprehensive Plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor of the Town of Schroon is hereby authorized to submit an application to request grant funding to support the zoning code update project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor of the Town of Schroon is authorized to sign and execute all necessary documents relating to the NYS DEC Community Smart Growth grant agreement, if awarded.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE PROCLAMATION HONORING 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF SCHROON LAKE SENIOR CITIZENS**RESOLUTION #149-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON**

WHEREAS, Governor Malcom Wilson proclaimed May, 1974 as SENIOR CITIZEN MONTH in New York State stating that "the quality of life in New York is enriched by the many contributions of our Senior Citizens"; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 1975 the Schroon Lake Senior Citizen's Club, Inc. was created; and

WHEREAS, the Schroon Lake Senior Citizen's Club, Inc. has maintained a vital presence in the Town of Schroon, sharing their club house and members' good will with individuals and organizations active in promoting local activities; and

WHEREAS, the Schroon Lake Senior Citizen's Club, Inc. has continued over the years to support their members and the communities of the Towns of Schroon and North Hudson through many programs enhancing the well-being of all.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Schroon congratulates the Schroon Lake Senior Citizen's Club, Inc. on their first 50 years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Schroon applauds the past and present leadership and membership of the Schroon Lake Senior Citizen's Club, Inc. for all they have accomplished; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Schroon hopes that the next 50 years will be years of success and that there is no doubt that the Schroon Senior Citizen's Club, Inc. is truly the CLUB FOR THE YOUNG OF HEART.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE SUPPORT FOR THE 9/27 AND 9/28/2025 ADIRONDACK DISTANCE FESTIVAL & SCHEDULED ROAD CLOSURES AS WELL AS USE OF DESIGNATED TOWN FACILITIES OVER THE WEEKEND**RESOLUTION #150-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks approval to support the Adirondack Distance Festival for September 27-28, 2025

Held at the Town Hall**6:00 P.M**

WHEREAS, the 28th running of the Adirondack Marathon is scheduled for Sunday 9/28/2025

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve town road closures for the ADK Marathon and Distance Festival.

For public safety certain roads need to be closed or restricted during this event

WHEREAS, The Town Board orders the following use and traffic restrictions on the following roads, to the extent that they are located in the Town of Schroon, during the following times on Sunday, 9/28/2025.

Closed to all but emergency vehicles, police escorted vehicles and Official Marathon Vehicles and no parking allowed:

Leland Avenue: closed 6 am - 3pm.

Fairfield Avenue closed 9 am to 3 pm

Dock Street: closed 8:40 am - 9:10 am and from 10 am - 2:45 pm

Route 9 from Hoffman Road to Alder Meadow Road: closed from 8:40 AM to 9:45 am

Alder Meadow Rd, Tyrrell Rd, Severance Rd: closed from 8:55am – 9:45am

Adirondack Rd, Red Wing Rd to Adirondack: closed from 8:55AM - 11:45AM.

Route 9 (Pottersville) from Old Schroon Rd. to Leland St. Schroon Lake Village: closed from 10 am - 2:30 pm.

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon has no objection to the Paradox Brewery LLC applying for a Special Event Permit under Section 97 of the New York State Liquor Authority for the Marathon Event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves support for the Adirondack Distance Festival and the town road closures for Sunday 9/28/2025 for the ADK Marathon and Distance Festival

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town of Schroon has no objection to the Paradox Brewery LLC applying for a Special Event Permit under Section 97 of the New York State Liquor Authority for the Marathon Event.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE HIGHWAY GUARDRAIL WORK ALONG PORTION OF FRATERNALAND -TABLED**REQUEST TO APPROVE NYAOT 2026 DUES****RESOLUTION #151-2025**

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve New York State Associations of Towns 2026 annual dues of \$1,200.00, same as prior years, based on Town Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves New York State Associations of Towns 2026 annual dues of \$1,200.00, same as prior years, based on Town Budget.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE HIRING ALEXANDRIA DOHERTY AS PART TIME LIBRARY CLERK**RESOLUTION #152-2025**

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve hiring Alexandria Doherty as part time library clerk effective 8/13/2025 at a rate of \$17.33/ hour. Mrs. Doherty will be replacing Tatiane O’Bradovic as regular PTE and Tatiane O’Bradovic will remain as “on-call”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves hiring Alexandria Doherty as part time library clerk effective 8/13/2025 at a rate of \$17.33/ hour. Mrs. Doherty will be replacing Tatiane O’Bradovic as regular PTE and Tatiane O’Bradovic will remain as “on-call”

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE HIRING NAOMI VEVERKA AS ON CALL PART TIME LIBRARY CLERK**RESOLUTION #153-2025**

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve hiring Naomi Veverka as on call part time library clerk effective 8/13/2025 at a rate of \$17.33/ hour.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves hiring Naomi Veverka as on call part time library clerk effective 8/13/2025 at a rate of \$17.33/ hour.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE DOCK STREET CLOSURE FOR THE 10/18/2025 CAR SHOW

RESOLUTION #154-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the closure of Dock St for the Fall Car Show on 10/18/2025, 7:00AM to 2:00PM

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the closure of Dock St for the Fall Car Show on 10/18/2025, 7:00AM to 2:00PM

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE 2026 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION #155-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the 2026 Comprehensive Plan Oversight Committee and committee members, Town Supervisor Meg Wood, Councilperson Leanna Welch, Essex County Representative Jessica DesLauriers, Joe Steineger, Lisa Hess-Marks and Fran Mahler.

WHEREAS, committee members to rotate biannually in a staggered basis- 3 members will start as a one-year term, 3 members to start as 2-year terms, to be reviewed annually at the Organizational meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the 2026 Comprehensive Plan Oversight Committee and committee members, Town Supervisor Meg Wood, Councilperson Leanna Welch, Essex County Representative Jessica DesLauriers, Joe Steineger, Lisa Hess-Marks and Fran Mahler.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, committee members to rotate biannually in a staggered basis- 3 members will start as a one-year term, 3 members to start as 2-year terms.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE TOWN OF SCHROON HAZARD MITIGATION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION #156-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve a Hazard Mitigation Committee. Members of Highway, Wastewater, Water, Building and Grounds, EMS, Fire Department and Essex County EMS will be assigned by each organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves a Hazard Mitigation Committee. Members of Highway, Wastewater, Water, Building and Grounds, EMS, Fire Department and Essex County EMS will be assigned by each organization.

DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood**DISCUSSION: SHORT TERM RENTAL MORATORIUM**

Supervisor Wood stated: this is something the town is considering to essentially “pause” the issuing of short-term rental permits until we can update the law. The moratorium standard time is 12 months. if the process is well under the way but not completed in 12 months, we can request a 6-month extension but it must be done in that time. We need to have a plan ready to get started before we start the moratorium. This is something that many towns are exploring. I have some examples here from other towns. We have spoken to our town attorney on this matter. We would consider this because this is a new issue to us, the short-term rentals and its constantly evolving. We want to evolve with it, but we want to do it equally and fairly.

REQUEST A RFQ FOR ENGINEERING EVALUATION OF CURRENT WASTEWATER SYSTEM AND PROJECTIONS FOR IMMEDIATE AND FUTURE TOWN DEVELOPMENT NEEDS**RESOLUTION #157-2025****INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER****WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION****SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve submitting an RFQ for engineering evaluation of current wastewater systems and projections for immediate and future town development needs. The intent is to once complete, use this study to apply for future grants regarding the wastewater system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves submitting an RFQ for engineering evaluation of current wastewater systems and projections for immediate and future town development needs. The intent is to once complete, use this study to apply for future grants regarding the wastewater system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**DULY ADOPTED AUGUST 11, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:****AYES: 5 NAYS: 0****AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Miller, Supervisor Wood**

Supervisor Wood stated: we have been talking with Essex County Community Resources about an RFQ for our Wastewater system, to evaluate our infrastructure above and below ground. They said the time to do that is September. Not only to see what we have and the conditions of it, but projections on where we should go and how we should get there in the future. We need to do this in order to get grant money. It's to assess and help us decide, where we go. Do we increase the service going North? Do we first fix the system that's going south? We are not engineers; this will help us get grant money towards the project that is deemed the best option.

Councilperson Donaldson stated: will this be this year?

Supervisor Wood stated: it depends, on how fast this moves forward but I think it won't be started until 2026.

Brian Ritching stated: Is it a 100% match?

Supervisor Wood stated: it depends. We have to pay for this in order to apply for the grant.

Brian Ritching stated: so, we have to pay for the engineering to apply for a grant, for an engineer.

Supervisor Wood stated: right, just like we are doing for the band stand.

DISCUSSION: STREET LIGHT CHANGES

Supervisor Wood stated: We are waiting to hear back from a gentleman that this is his purview. He has offered his expertise on the matter. We are waiting for new quotes and we are waiting to hear from the veterans regarding what lighting they want at the Memorial Park, as the current light set up is not working.

DISCUSSION: EMERALD ASH BORER (EAB) AT GOLF COURSE

Supervisor Wood stated: We have found Emerald Ash Borer at the golf course. Our Essex County Soil and Water folks sent me an email; I have a list of certified pesticide applicators. There are a lot of them. It was recommended to use, following DEC recommendations to 1) Healthy ash trees showing stress can be protected through pesticide treatments administrated by a certified applicator. 2) stressed or declining tree should be removed and burned on site to reduce available habitat and slow EAB. spread.

DISCUSSION: JULY 4TH MEETING ON 7/17

Supervisor Wood stated: we did have a meeting regarding the fourth of July. No decisions were made, but we did discuss at the end of the parade to have people go off in two different directions. Rather than clog up one exit. This is just a suggestion; we will

continue to brainstorm this and come up with some ideas to help keep the parade running smoothly. I have thanked the Troopers and the sheriff's department profusely this year for their help and involvement.

DISCUSSION: ROUTE 9 BRIDGE PROJECT OVER ROGERS BROOK

Supervisor Wood stated: the DOT came up recently about the bridge. I was there and many of our other departments were. I do not know if we are on our sixth engineer or more. These people, like the others are sure they can come up with what needs to be done. They are talking about having a public meeting the fall probably at the school. To keep the community involved. This is still a project that is a ways out. One of our concerns is during construction, they may damage the sewer pipe.

DISCUSSION: DOUBLE YELLOW LINE ON EAST SHORE DRIVE

Supervisor Wood stated: We did also talk to the DOT about potential for lines on Adirondack Rd. Joe can talk about that.

Joe Flores stated: the lanes have to be 10 feet, with a three-foot shoulder at least. The East Shore there are a lot of places that do not meet that requirement.

Sue Conroy stated: can it be made wider?

Joe Flores stated: yes, it could, but that would be an extremely expensive endeavor.

Sue Conroy stated: if two cars can go down each way, is that wide enough?

Joe Flores stated: I can think of a few spots that have ledge as well that come right to the edge of the road.

Supervisor Wood stated: we can certainly write a letter to the DOT, explain the request to them as well as our concerns.

Sue Conroy stated: thank you for that, let me know if there is anything I can do to help or encourage the project. I appreciate what the board does for the town and the people in this town. You work very hard, thank you.

Supervisor Wood stated: I have talked to Jeanine Melville, many of our lifeguards are either going to college or are returning to their school sports program. Jeanine is managing the beach and has been able to make it work with the folks she has left and manage the schedule so that the beach can stay open.

Thank you to all our beach staff, managers and lifeguards alike. Also, a thank you to our Town staff, Parks, Highway and Building and Grounds for all their hard work to help us through another successful summer season.

ADJOURN MEETING AT 7:36 PM

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPEROSN DONALDSON

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

With no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM, carried unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by:

Erica Hedden

Town Clerk