

2024 Organizational Meeting MINUTES

January 8, 2024

Present:

Paul H. Smith	Supervisor
Patrick Britton	Councilman
Susan Storms	Councilman
Frank Skvorak	Councilman
Shari Gerber	Councilman
Lori Borland	Town Clerk
Rebecca Shultz	Deputy Town Clerk
Robert Ball	Assessor
Mickey Dietrich	RACOG Circuit Rider

Excused: Michael O'Shaughnessy Highway Superintendent

Supervisor Smith called the Organizational Meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion was made by Councilman Britton, seconded by Councilman Gerber, for the Monthly Regular Town Meeting to be held on the 2nd Monday of each month except Monday holidays which then will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of that month at 7PM. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Gerber, seconded by Councilman Storms to accept the Rules of Order, Procurement Policy, Investment Policy, Code of Ethics, Ban of Weapons in the Workplace, and Town of Wilna Policy against Sex Discrimination and Sexual Harassment for 2024, and acknowledgement of review of the same. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Britton, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to utilize Carthage Savings & Loan as the office depository for the Town Clerk's Accounts, and authorize Lori Borland, Town Clerk and Sue Storms, Deputy Supervisor, as signatories on said account. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Storms, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to utilize Carthage Savings & Loan as the official depository for the General Checking and Savings Accounts. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Gerber, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to have Paul Smith, Supervisor and Sue Storms, Deputy Supervisor, and Patrick Britton, Councilman, as signatories on the General Checking Account. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Skvorak, seconded by Councilman Storms, to utilize Watertown Daily Times and/or Lowville Journal & Republican as the official newspaper for the Town of Wilna. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Storms, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to accept Budgets for the Carthage-Wilna Fire District \$621,818, Natural Bridge-Fire District \$39,482 and Wilna-Deferiet Fire Protection \$25,000. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Skvorak, seconded by Councilman Britton, to authorize Supervisor Smith to sign 2024 agreements for the following:

Town of Wilna/Carthage Area Rescue Squad	\$41,000
Town of Wilna/Natural Bridge Ambulance	\$17,800

Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Storms, seconded by Councilman Gerber, to accept the following contracts in exchange for services rendered to the Town of Wilna:

Carthage Free Library	\$7,500
VEM	\$5,000
Wilna/Champion Transportation	\$8,500
Volunteer Transportation Ctr	\$3,000

Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Skvorak, seconded by Councilman Britton, to accept the following contributions made to Organizations in the Town of Wilna:

Carthage Chamber celebrations	\$7,500
Deferiet Senior Citizens	\$100
American Legion Post #789 & VFW	\$400

Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Storms, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to approve the 2023 Annual Reports for Town Clerk Fees and DECALS. Reports can be viewed and signed in Paul Smith's Office with the vouchers. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Svorak, seconded by Councilman Britton, to authorize 2024 Salaries and the 2024 IRS standard mileage rate of \$0.67 cents per mile for the use of personal vehicles for official Town of Wilna business. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Britton, seconded by Councilman Gerber, to retain the legal services of James Burrows, Esq. as Town attorney for 2024. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Storms, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to authorize the following payments:

2024 Assoc of Towns Membership	\$1,000
RACOG Dues	\$1,250

Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Skvorak, seconded by Councilman Gerber, to pay the following vouchers as prepay: Jefferson Co. Recycling, National Grid, NYS Teamsters Ins., Philly Fuels, State Comptroller, Verizon Wireless, and Westelcom and any CDBG draws necessary. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Britton, seconded by Councilman Storms, to pay expenses for elected and appointed personnel to attend Conferences and Workshops during 2024 for the Town of Wilna. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Skvorak, seconded by Councilman Britton, to approve James Yuhas' medical agreement with Sackets Harbor and Town of Wilna for 2024. Village of Sackets Harbor agrees to provide full reimbursement for medical insurance of \$951.43 per month. Motion passed unanimously, carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board for the Organizational Meeting, a motion was made by Councilman Storms, seconded by Councilman Skvorak, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Lori Borland, Town Clerk