

## TOWN OF KIANTONE-MEETING MINUTES

Town of Kiantone Monthly Meeting      September 2021

Presiding Joshua Ostrander, Supervisor

Present:

Kurt Sturzenbecker, Councilman  
Tim Kolstee, Councilman  
Rich Landman, Councilman

Also Present: Robert Carlson, Highway Superintendent, Gail Davis, Town Clerk, Kate Valvo  
Bookkeeper/Financial Officer,

Absent: Valerie McDonald, Councilwoman, Legal Counsel Webb

Supervisor Ostrander opened the organizational meeting at 7:01 pm with the recital of the Pledge to the Flag.

### MINUTES & REPORTS:

- August Board Minutes-via email; Motion Made by Councilman Kolstee to accept the minutes Seconded by Councilman Landman; No Opposition, Approved
- Bills & Bills Paid After Audit; Motion Made by Councilman Sturzenbecker Seconded by Councilman Landman; No Opposition, Approved

### MONTHLY REPORTS:

- Court Reports    Reviewed and Accepted
- Clerk's Report of Monies Received and Distributed, Reviewed and Accepted

### COMMITTEE REPORTS/UPDATES:

No Activity

KIFD REPORT/UPDATES: Fire Chief Steve Reale provide update as to number of calls; manpower, as well as fundraising Friday Fish Dinners for the month of October 2021.

Prior to addressing Meeting Agenda, Supervisor Ostrander opened the meeting to the floor: John Davis provided update of county activity, one matter being addressed was the Keystone property in Frewsburg, which the county will no longer guarantee tax payments for, which will most likely result in an increase in school taxes for Frewsburg School District.

With no further comments from the floor Supervisor Ostrander addressed the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS: Cannabis Law, Owner/Operator of the Releaf Zone, Todd Stimson presented further information regarding his current business to remain in Kiantone and future business plan which business for onsite sales and consumption will be located in the City of Jamestown. Board thanked Mr. Stimson for his knowledgeable, respectful presentation, as well as informative, overall consensus “good presentation”. Those present which chose to speak thanked Mr. Stimson for educating them and had no personal opposition to the matter. Councilman Kolstee asked the Board if any of them had personally been contacted by residents in regards to the cannabis law in addition to the one individual that reached out to him. Councilman Sturzenbecker stated that although he had not been personally approached, he is aware of two opposition; Councilman Landman reiterated his position on the matter adding that “regulation would not be a bad thing”, Supervisor Ostrander stated that he has not personally been approached. Further discussion to be welcomed at the October meeting. Further discussion among Board to possibly “ban it” to allow residents petition on ballot for 2022, “perhaps right action is to do nothing at this time”. Councilman Kolstee to verify with “the State” regarding number of businesses to be permitted. Open invitation to the next meeting was extended.

NEW BUSINESS: Tentative Budget Presented. After public budget workshop, which legal notice having been published, tentative budget was completed by Budget Officer Kate Volvo, provided to Clerk Davis, presented to the Board for review and discussion.

Supervisor Ostrander informed the Board the desire of Justice Ostrander to request grant funds to purchase two flags (USA and NYS) on stands to be on display in the Courtroom/Common area, which resolution would be needed. Councilman Sturzenbecker made motion for resolution permitting grant funds be requested for the purchase of two standing flags, Seconded by Councilman Kolstee, no opposition, approved. Clerk Davis to provide Resolution.

Highway Superintendent Carlson presented to the Board contract for Casella to provide services at the Kiantone Transfer Station. Mr. Carlson stated that his request to Beichner via email to provide an updated quote resulted in no response. Contract with Casella is two years “status qua”, with a provision for a “flex container” if needed. Motion made to accept the Casella two year contract made by Supervisor Ostrander, Seconded by Councilman Sturzenbecker, no opposition, approved.

Highway Superintendent Carlson shared information regarding the new highway employee Ben Juul.

Discussion regarding the need to review the “Highway Agreement”, Supervisor Ostrander suggested a committee to be formed for such purpose; Highway Superintendent Carlson and Councilman Landman to act as committee. Superintendent Carlson to provide current Agreement.

With no further business to come before the Board, Motion made to Adjourn made by Councilman Sturzenbecker, Seconded by Councilman Kolstee, No Opposition Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting: October 7, 2021-Budget Process

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Davis, Town Clerk

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