

Town of Prattsville  
Monthly Meeting  
January 10, 2022

The Town Board of the Town of Prattsville, NY and County of Greene, NY held a Monthly Meeting at the Prattsville Firehouse on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Present:	Greg Cross	Supervisor
	Joyce Peckham (Phone)	Councilperson
	Crystal Soule Cornell	Councilperson
	Eli Martin	Councilman
	Kathy Sherman	Town Clerk
	Bill Sutton	Highway Superintendent

Others present: Connie Briggs, Heidi Ruehlman, Deb Colliton, John Lane, Shannon Holdridge, Matt & Melissa Peters, Jim Young, Chris Vaneck, Dave Rikard

Supervisor Cross opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to approve of the clerks minutes for December 13, 2021 and December 29, 2021 End of Year meeting.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to approve of the Monthly Financial report.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR/ CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COMMUNITY-nothing

Public Hearing: Extension of site plan Moratorium (3-month)

A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to open the Public Hearing for the Three month extension of the Site Plan Moratorium at 7:00 pm.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

With a couple of questions asked and answered a motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to close the Public Hearing at 7:10pm.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

Laberge Engineering changed some of the language and revised the current draft. The next step is to send it to the County. The two drafts Version 1 and Version 2 will be on the Towns website for review. A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to extend the Site Plan Review Moratorium for three (3) months.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Highway – having a few small break downs
2. Water District report – nothing to add to PW1
3. Code Enforcement Report – 1 building permit & 6 CO's
4. Update on Site Plan Review Language (set new date for Public Hearing)

A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to set a Public Hearing to approve of the Site Plan Review Language for February 14, 2022 at 7:15pm.

Ayes 4  
Nays 0  
Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Town Assessor Appointment

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to approve of hiring Nancy Bower as assessor for the Town of Prattsville for a term of 4 years 2022 – 2025 to fill the previous position. The Assessors compensation will be \$12,100.00 per year.

A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to extend the Site Plan Review Moratorium for three (3) months.

Ayes 4  
Nays 0  
Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin

2. **Resolution #2-2022 to adopt STAR Exemption Non-Renewal –**

On motion by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS; The Town Board of the Town of Prattsville, in recognition of the Governor's Executive Order dated December 18, 2020 we hereby resolve the following

That subdivisions 7, 7a and 8 of section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, and subdivisions 5, 5a, 5b, and 6 of section 467 of the Real Property Law detail annual renewals, we hereby direct the assessor to grant exemptions pursuant to such sections on the 2021 assessment roll to all property owners who received that exemption on the 2020 assessment roll, thereby dispensing with the need for renewal applications from such persons, and further dispensing with the requirement for assessors to mail renewal applications to such persons. Providing also that the assessor may require a renewal application to be filed when he or she has reason to believe that an owner who qualified for the exemption on the 2020 assessment roll may have since changed his or her primary residence, added another owner to the deed, had a significant income change, transferred the property to a new owner, or died.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Prattsville hereby adopts this resolution.

Ayes 4  
Nays 0  
Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin

3. Approve Benefits for Elected Personnel, Full time and Part time employees

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to approve of the Employee benefit plans for Elected Employees, Full Time Employees and Part Time Employees for 2022.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

4. Review proposal for Professional Services for Town Comprehensive Plan – Laberge Group agrees to provide professional services detailed in a Scope of Services provided as follows, Phase 1 at a cost of \$20,780.00 and Phase 2 at a cost of \$30,730.00. Laberge Group will agree to prepare the Greenway Application for funding to help off set the costs. Laberge Group will also help with identifying addition grant funding.

5. Set date for Public Hearing concerning acquisition of Project #9114 & Project #9704 – A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to set a Public Hearing for February 14, 2022 at 7:30pm. To hear all comments and concerns on the Land acquisition by DEC for Project #9114 & Project #9704.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

6. Request for Designation as a Greenway Community – A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Resolution #1-2022 Request for Designation as a Greenway Community.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

7. Request Authorization to Sign Contract Extension for Design Costs Contract with CWC – A motion was made by Councilperson Cornell and seconded by Councilman Martin to sign the contract with CWC for the design of lifting the Town Hall in the amount of \$22,260.00.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to pay the bills for January on abstract # 1.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

With no further business a motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Cornell to adjourn the meeting at 7:38pm.

Ayes 4 Cross, Peckham, Cornell, Martin  
Nays 0

Respectfully Submitted

  
Kathleen Sherman/Town Clerk

