Town of Prattsville Monthly Meeting June 9th, 2025

The Town Board of the Town of Prattsville, NY, and County of Greene, NY, held a Monthly Meeting at the Prattsville Town Hall on Monday, May 12th, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

Present: Greg Cross Supervisor

Eli Martin Councilman
Mason Chase Councilman
Heidi Ruehlmann Councilperson
Theresa Whitworth Town Clerk

Bill Sutton Highway Superintendent

Absent: Joyce Peckham Councilperson

Others present: Connie Brigg, Debbie & Jim Dymond, Crystal Soule-Cornell, Thomas Olson, Jim Rion, Tony Bluestone, Anne Donavon, Adonis Watkins, Mike Ryan (Zoom)

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

A motion was made by Councilman Chase and seconded by Councilperson Ruehlmann to approve the Clerk's minutes for the Regular meeting on May 12th, 2025.

Ayes 4 Cross, Martin, Chase, Ruehlmann

Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Ruehlmann to approve the Monthly Financials report.

Ayes 4 Cross, Martin, Chase Ruehlmann

Nays 0

COMMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR/CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COMMUNITY

Resident Jim Rion inquired about the Town Board's decision regarding water service to his properties. Supervisor Cross responded that the Town's attorney had reviewed the applicable water law and advised that any property within the water district is required to pay for water service. Mr. Rion then requested that the Board pass a resolution during the meeting to formally provide water to his two plots of land. He added that if the Town declined to do so, he would contact his lawyer. Supervisor Cross stated that the Board could not grant such a resolution at this time, but assured Mr. Rion that the Town Attorney would be in contact with him regarding the matter.

Reports:

- 1. Highway Barney Moore Road had some erosion, and Bill reached out to Soil and Water, which said we should be eligible for a grant to provide \$250,000, but that it might only cover half of the road repair.
- 2. Water District report Average daily flow was approximately 36,700 gallons, bacteria sample came back "absent", the Annual Water Quality Report for 2024 was accepted by NYDOH, it was mailed to customers and can be found on the town website.
- 3. Code Enforcement report-- 0 COO, 3 permits, 1 inspection

- 4. WWTP report Average daily flow was approximately 22,000 gallons. Last month the Four J-Press and the slurry tank had malfunctions and both were fixed. Monthly samples sent to Adirondack Labs for April. Monthly reports sent in and accepted.
- 5. Tax Collector report General, Highway, Fire, Sewer, Water, Lighting and Ambulance are all paid in full, \$200,000 has been paid to Greene County.
- 6. Water billing report \$15652 has come in out of \$23,800 owed in bills. Sewer bills will be coming out this month.

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New Business:

- 1.Swim Camp Counselors- Alexis Marsh, Chelsea Carr, Jamie Lindsley, and Caitlyn Ciarivino were approved as counselors. Taylor Brisbois was approved as a fill-in.
- 2. Town Use form Youth Soccer requested the use of the Conine soccer field for April 23rd to June 30th on Wednesdays (6 PM to 8 PM) and Saturdays (9 AM to 12 PM). Permission was granted. American Legion Post 1327 has requested the use of the Town Green and Sewer Treatment Plant Field for the Memorial Day Parade on May 26th from 12 PM and 3 PM. Permission was granted.
- 3. 607 Rider Request The group requested being able to use town roads to get back and forth between trails. A few neighboring towns have agreed to this or have been in discussions on this subject. Supervisor Cross said he would reach out to the Town Attorney for more information on the NYS Traffic Law 405.
- 4. Pratt Rock Councilman Chase requested that we make an addendum to the bid documents for Pratt Rock; he would like to add a bidder checklist. Supervisor Cross suggested adding a non-collusion as well.

A motion was made by Councilperson Peckham to add an addendum to the Bidder Contracts of a bidder checklist and the non-collusion, and seconded by Councilperson Ruehlmann

Ayes 5 Cross, Peckham, Martin, Ruehlmann, Chase

Nays 0

Councilman Chase suggested that Pratt Rock should have a committee to review the bids after the town board receives them on June 9th. The committee would be Steve Whitesell, Doug Johnson, Mason Chase, and Eli Martin. They will have their first pre-bid meeting on May 14th at 6 PM.

A motion was made by Supervisor Cross to form a Pratt Rock Committee and seconded by Councilperson Peckham.

Ayes 3 Cross, Peckham, Ruehlmann

2025 Ashland Ambulance Service Agreement.

Nays 0

Abstain 2 Martin, Chase

The Town Board received the Ashland Ambulance Contract. Supervisor Cross and Councilman Chase went to several meetings with board members from Ashland. It was agreed that we would get an estimate of \$70,000 for 2025 and a credit of \$19471.33 for 2024. Making the agreement of \$220,629.55. With the revisions of changing the payment date for June 30th A motion was made by Councilperson Ruehlmann and seconded by Councilman Chase to sign the

Nays 0

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Kathy Hartzel Sherman handed in her resignation letter that her last day will be May 15, 2025 and has had the great pleasure to serve the Town of Prattsville for the last 15 years. Thank you for your service, Kathy! You will be missed.

A motion was made by Councilperson Peckham and seconded by Councilperson Ruehlmann to accept Kathy's resignation.

Aves 5

Cross, Peckham, Martin, Chase, Ruehlmann

Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilperson Peckham to pay the bills on abstract #5 for May.

Ayes 5

Cross, Peckham, Martin, Chase, Ruehlmann

Nays 0

With no further business, Councilperson Peckham made a motion, seconded by Councilman Martin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Ayes 5

Cross, Peckham, Martin, Chase Ruehlmann

Nays 0

Respectfully Submitted Theresa Whitworth/Town Clerk