

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, August 27, 2024.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Patricia Hayles, Councilperson Scott Maar, Councilperson Tyler Sharpe, Councilperson Adam Staskiewicz, and Councilperson Gary Sullivan. Also present were Finance Director Hiedi Libroch, Town Attorney Jim Bell, Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham, Director of Buildings and Grounds Adam Shade, and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

No visitors were present.

Supervisor Hayles called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag and remain standing for a moment of silence for our first responders and those in the military service.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No comments.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence noted.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilperson Sharpe made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Staskiewicz to approve **all** Consent Agenda items as listed below.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Councilperson Maar	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Aye</u>

ADOPTED

- Approval of the minutes of the special Town Board meeting held on July 30, 2024.
- RESOLUTION NO. 113 Appoint Recreation Assistants PT

WHEREAS, there is a need for Recreation Assistants for Summer Camp and the Before and After School Program; and

WHEREAS, Recreation Director Jill Wisnowski has recommended hiring Keira Wilson and Will Hawken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Keira Wilson and Will Hawken as recreation assistants part-time for a maximum of 28 hours per week.

Sec. 2. That the hourly rate of pay is \$15.00 with a start date on or after September 3, 2024.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 114 Appoint Recreation Supervisor - Kinney

WHEREAS, Amanda Kinney has been a permanent employee with the Town of Sweden as a Recreation Assistant; and

WHEREAS, examination number OC-69870, Recreation Supervisor, has been given and an eligible list was established on July 12, 2024; and

WHEREAS, notification was received from Monroe County Department of Human Resources that Ms. Kinney passed the examination and is presently reachable; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director has recommended Ms. Kinney be appointed as Recreation Supervisor based on the results of the examination.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Amanda Kinney as Recreation Supervisor, permanently, effective August 27, 2024.

Sec. 2. That the hours and salary remain the same as before the appointment.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 115 Appoint Seasonal Laborer – Cemetery Operations

WHEREAS, there has been a resignation of a seasonal cemetery operations laborer; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways has recommended hiring Dylan Berlin as a replacement for seasonal cemetery operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Dylan Berlin as a seasonal laborer for cemetery operations not to exceed 40 hours per week.

Sec. 2. That this appointment does not constitute an offer of permanent employment or any benefits that are normally attached to permanent appointments.

Sec. 3. That the rate of pay will be \$15.00 per hour.

Sec. 4. That the term of appointment will be August 28, 2024 and ending on or before October 25, 2024.

Sec. 5. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 116 Authorizing Additional Support
Seymour Library 2024 Budget

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden is one of the owners of the Seymour Library; and

WHEREAS, the Seymour Library Board of Directors has recommended undertaking of sewer remediation work; and

WHEREAS, The Sweden Town Board has decided to increase their support for the Seymour Library for the 2024 budget in support of the renovation project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden supports the sewer renovation work to be done at the Seymour Library Board.

Sec. 2. The Town of Sweden increases it's Seymour Library support for 2024 by \$13,641.00.

Sec. 3 The Town Supervisor is authorized to remit this additional support when the project begins.

Sec. 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 117 Authorizing Intermunicipal Agreement
Town of Clarkson Water Improvement
Benefit Area No. 1

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkson is desirous of allowing certain properties on East Avenue in the Town of Sweden connect to the Town of Clarkson Water Improvement Area No. 1; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden is also desirous of allowing certain properties on East Avenue located outside the boundaries of the District to connect in order to secure municipal water services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the Town of Clarkson Water Improvement Area No. 1 Intermunicipal Agreement upon the review and recommendation of the Town Attorney.

Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 118 Temporarily Amend Town Hall Office Hours

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to temporarily amend the office hours for the Town Hall employees; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board will re-evaluate the office hours prior to January 1, 2025, based on resident feedback.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board hereby establishes the following work hours for Town Hall employees until December 31, 2024:

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Sec. 2. The Town Clerk is directed to publish a notice of the change in the official newspaper.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately

- RESOLUTION NO. 119 Calling a Public Hearing Regarding the Adoption of Local Law No. 3 of 2024 – Amending Sweden Town Code Chapter 164 Taxation, Article 1 Senior Citizens Tax Exemptions

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature has authorized municipalities to fix income limitations regarding real property tax exemptions granted to persons aged 65 years or over; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sweden desires to raise the income limitations by amending Chapter 164 Taxation, Article 1 Senior Citizens Tax Exemption, of the Sweden Town Code; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sweden proposes the following to replace the existing code:

164-1A. – Pursuant...the extent of 50% of the assessed valuation thereof. The maximum income for purposes of the 50% exemption shall be equal to ~~\$40,000~~ **\$43,600**.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden shall hold a Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, NY, on the 10th day of September 2024, at 6:05 PM to hear all persons for or against the adoption of Local Law No.3 of 2024 – Sweden Town Code Chapter 164 Article 1. Senior Citizens Tax Exemption.

Sec. 2. That the Town Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a notice of this hearing to be published in the official newspaper of the town, in accordance with Section 265 of Town Law.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- Approval for Payment of Bills

All the Board members reviewed the invoice audit journal. Councilperson Sullivan made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Staskiewicz authorizing payment of the bills in Abstract 8 dated August 28, 2024 in the amount of \$139,412.67.

General Fund: In the amount of \$68,336.63 as set forth in Abstract 8 dated August 28, 2024.

Highway Fund: In the amount of \$35,853.71 as set forth in Abstract 8 dated August 28, 2024.

Special Fund: In the amount of \$27,897.33 as set forth in Abstract 8 dated August 28, 2024.

Capital Fund: In the amount of \$7,325.00 as set forth in Abstract 8 dated August 28, 2024.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Maar	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Aye</u>

ADOPTED

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham presented 2025 budget requests.

Director of Buildings and Grounds Adam Shade presented 2025 budget requests.

Supervisor Hayles announced that Monroe County will be releasing ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds to be used for specific purposes – waiting to see the criteria.

REPORTS OF THE STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Town Attorney Jim Bell is working with the Building Department on several unresolved Town Code violations. There are four Real Property Tax Law Article 7 petitions filed challenging their assessments. They are waiting for the buyer’s mortgage application for the sale of 133 State Street. Mr. Bell is hoping for a September closing date.

Supervisor Hayles thanked Buildings and Grounds for mowing the lawn of a residential property in violation of the Town Code. The costs will be added to the resident’s tax bill.

Supervisor Hayles waived the reports to allow all board members the opportunity to attend (observe only, no formal meeting) the Seymour Library Board budget presentation at 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Maar moved to adjourn the August 27, 2024 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 6:45 p.m. Councilperson Sharpe seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting
Town Clerk