

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021 AT 6:16 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN FIREHOUSE

PRESENT: Supervisor Samuel J. Hall
Councilwoman Gretchen Stark
Councilwoman Deborah Witherell
Councilman George F. Smith
Councilman Michael Sexton

ABSENT: Lisa Barbato, Dog Control Officer
Christine Milligan, Town Historian

OTHERS PRESENT: Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk, Paul Winchell, Highway Superintendent, Jeff Meyer, Attorney for the Town, Mark Miller, Enforcement Officer, Attorney Timothy Shevy, Chad Wilson, William Hohmann, Don Bedeaux, Michelle Vara, numerous Fort Ann residents and non Fort Ann residents

Meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moment of silence was held for the following past and/or present Fort Ann residents Julia M. Rich, Joseph Wright, David Fisher, Don Harris and Todd Jarvis.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to approve tonight's agenda.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was introduced by Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilman Sexton to accept the Regular Town Board Minutes of May 10, 2021.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Sexton to pay the bills as warranted and audited.

Motion was carried unanimously.

6:17 p.m. Public Comment opened with Supervisor Hall announcing that this is not a public hearing but people can comment on items on tonight's agenda A Local Law Regulating Short-term Rentals in the Town of Fort Ann and A Local Law Amending the Town of Fort Ann Site Plan Review Law (copies are available on the table where you sign in). Anyone wishing to speak must identify themselves and their address and will be given the opportunity to speak for three (3) minutes. Supervisor Hall announced he hopes to keep the meeting user friendly. We don't need anyone bashing anybody. The purpose of the meeting is to separate facts from fiction and possibly put some things to rest. This is just a regular monthly Town Board meeting.

Attorney Timothy Shevy, 1528 Columbia Turnpike, Ste 203, Castleton, NY 12033 represents Northern Living, LLC and Moskos Holdings, LLC. Mr. Shevy provided the Attorney for the Town with a very

comprehensive analysis of a Memorandum of Northern Living, LLC and Moskos Holdings, LLC as well as copies to be distributed to the Fort Ann Town Board in opposition to proposed Local Law Regulating Short-term Rentals in the Town of Fort Ann. Mr. Shevy found the proposed legislation to be vague and unconstitutional.

Kyle McCauley Belokopitsky, 5693 Pavilion Way stated she has called Fort Ann her second home since birth and grew up on Hadlock. She was fortunate enough to purchase her families three (3) bedroom year round Hadlock home in 2015. She also is an attorney and is concerned about this short-term law being proposed as overly broad and vague. Ms. Belokopitsky stated this is an unequal application of law in the areas of how many cars in driveway; how many can sleep in home, as well as the 10:00 p.m. quiet time, just a few examples.

Mike Swezey, 5097 Dawson Way is in favor of the local law. He and his wife have been homeowners on Hadlock Pond for ten (10) years. They bought this home with the hopes of retiring here. The short-term rentals are a commercial operation and it's a business. This local law wasn't probably needed 10-15 years ago before the arrival of internet and you knew your neighbors and who they were renting to and if there were issues they took care of it and were good neighbors. While researching this he found a very similar law passed at the Town of Queensbury. The City of Athens put in a local law because of excessive noise, garbage, police have to arrive and penalties in place for violations. The time has come to put in place some rules. Mr. Swezey is of the opinion there is a risk associated with person or corporate entity owning too many places on that small little lake.

Mark Patterson, 5073 Dawson Way stated when he looked at the rules and thought they are in place to protect private homeowners as well as those property owners that are renting. Mr. Patterson is of the opinion private homeowners are not being respected. Mr. Patterson has had to call rental owners when there's excessive amount of noise, vulgarity that's going on and gave an example: at 1:30 a.m. people screaming out on the middle of the lake. Mr. Patterson said he should not have to police these properties.

Kathleen Patterson, 5073 Dawson Way thanked the board for doing this. She said this is the boards job and the board is here to serve the residents, business owners and property owners. She said this is something that needs to be considered. Mrs. Patterson said that Fort Ann is a beautiful community to live in. Mrs. Patterson said there are already things in place like this in Lake George and Lake Placid for instance. This Local Law is attempting to protect business owners and the town. These are basic rules that everyone can follow. Mrs. Patterson suggested perhaps having a subcommittee and meet a couple of times a year, in addition to the annual meeting, so that everyone is communicating and there isn't this disconnect with rental property owners and those of us trying to have peace and quiet. She said the local law was very well written.

Barry Davis, 5079 Dawson Way also thanked the board. He stated no one is here to bash anyone or kill anybody's business. He said it's easy to say this is unfair when you don't live adjacent to one of these short-term rentals. He said over the last twenty (20) years on approx. thirty (30) times issues happened with short-term rentals and sometimes he hears back right away and sometimes it could take up to three (3) days to hear back. Mr. Davis agrees with the Patterson's he doesn't want to police these properties and someone needs to enforce the rules and regulations. Mr. Davis supports this. He has rental property and it's not an easy business. It should be written in the lease that requires them to behave a certain way and behavior will change if there are penalties.

Eric Ambrosino, 3230 E. Side Way he is originally from Queensbury and never thought he'd be lucky enough to own property in Fort Ann. He is opposed to the DRAFT and stated there shouldn't be a permitting fee. He feels it is far reaching. He said there needs to be a happy medium. As it is written now it is far reaching. He rents out as a retirement home and caters to families. He interviews everyone he rents to; has a minimum age of 28 and he doesn't allow events. He has not had an issue the last four (4) years and does want to be respectful of those that live here year round.

Cliff Nelson, 410 Hadlock Pond Road fully supports a persons right to occasionally rent out their home. This law is the right idea. He is 100% opposed to running a professional business in a residential area. He said the Moskos have bought just about all the properties that have been for sale on Hadlock and have changed the nature of this residential neighborhood. Mr. Nelson said most people are here because you've got them all riled up with your hands off our home signs. Do you want to live next to a hotel? Mr. Nelson said businesses have different sets of rules. He's a business owner and there are separate rules.

Jessica Graves, 7309 State Rte 4 stated what they heard at the last town board meeting was strictly about money; making changes and nothing on file; no complaints; no issues with Northern Living.

Taylor Foran, 1391 Tripoli Road she is a 2017 graduate of Fort Ann Central School and currently lives in Fort Ann. She said she spends the majority of her free time at Hadlock and aside from her primary job as a Physical Therapist Assistant at Glens Falls Hospital she also works as the social media manager for Northern Living. Her late grandfather, Richard, was the mayor of Fort Ann for 43 years and devoted his life to community. He always told her to fight for what she believed in and to always try and better her community.

She said she is the one that created the petition and Facebook group. She said she did this for many reasons. 1. She thinks it is important that people know what is going on. 2. People should know exactly how this is going to affect them. She is in total disgust for the video she saw regarding the last town board meeting and how Northern Living was targeted.

She never met someone more devoted to her job than Katelyn Moskos. In Taylor's opinion she goes above and beyond making sure she exceeds all expectations from her guests, her neighbors, her town, her family, her friends but most importantly the law. She took a chance, built a business from scratch and did everything the right way. But yet, some still complain. Her business has brought more revenue to this town, has shared more beautiful experiences with travelers and has made this town a place she loves a place people love to come to. Katelyn Moskos has sacrificed so much and given back way more to this community.

The Fort Ann community has always been a town to give back, to support one another. And yet some try and ruin just about every business that wants to come here. Look at the history, the uproar of nonsense with Moose Hillock, Dollar General, ADK MX, Dunkin Donuts and now Northern Living. Stop trying to tear down peoples businesses, peoples livelihood. These people are doing what they love in a town they love and yet some make it so difficult for small businesses to stay. Taylor has seen the hoops the town has made for Jeremy Treadway to jump through and it's honestly sickening, I'm not about to sit here and watch it happen again.

As a resident of Fort Ann Taylor is disgusted with the way this situation has been handled, the words that have been said and the way this town acts against once again another good thing that is in this town.

Taylor saw this quote the other day and thought it was important for some to live by. "The next time you see someone enjoying something, that isn't hurting anyone, that's not your cup of tea, instead of saying something negative. Train yourself to think to yourself, "I'm glad they are happy" and carry on with your life".

Taylor concluded by saying she hopes people reflect on what has been said in this meeting and reconsider this proposed law. Thank you.

Denise Sommer-Potvin, 3204 Sunset View Way said you're going to tell me who I can have rent my home. She has lived here six (6) years and raising a son.

NUMEROUS PEOPLE TALKING – RECORDING NOT AUDIBLE

Dr. Richard Sulkow, 1363 Pilot Knob Road said he understands regulations may be necessary but this 30 day rule is insane. He may have to sell his house immediately if this passes. Understands thirty (30) day rule is insane. He asked if you pass a law make it reasonable.

Robert Griffiths, Lake Nebo Road looked at DRAFT and really has no issues but attended the meeting tonight as a Fort Ann resident. He stated a lot of the language was lifted from state sanitary code for temporary residence. State has a definition of temporary residence and been around for forty (40) years. A lot of other agencies involved in this like APA. Extinguishers and windows are for safety; licensed dog – Fort Ann has a leash law. Mr. Griffiths said rules & regulations are not being said and made to hurt people.

Shelbie Paulsen, 387 Hadlock Pond Road thanked the town board for allowing her time to speak on this matter. While I have so many questions. Her main question is why? Why are you imposing this law? Although it is clear some of the board members are targeting one specific business, she wants to know why? Why now? Her honest belief is that there is no good reason and/or reason, but she would like to give the board the opportunity to prove her wrong.

This proposed law affects her in many ways. For one, she is an owner of a camp on Hadlock, 1 of 8 owners, also known to some as one of the "Northern Living facilities" properties. It took 8 to be able to afford a home on the lake. One of the biggest helps with owning this home has been renting. We don't rent to make any money. We simply rent to cover costs, bills, taxes, insurance and so on. Without this, it would be exceedingly difficult to own this camp. A camp is where we spend all summer making memories. A place where my husband and I decided we would do this with the rest of our family, so one day our children could do the same. Shelbie knows many people that rent on the lake. This is the only way for many to make ends meet. Washington County taxes are extremely high, one of the highest in the United States. It is ranked 181st out of the 3,143 counties in the country. Therefore, Washington County is in the top 10% for the highest taxes in the entire country. This law will only increase taxes. Taxes will need to be raised to enforce all the regulations in this proposed law. With that said, it is also very interesting after hearing the town board mention Northern living assessments numerous times, in the recent board meetings that our camp also known as a Northern Living Property had an increase of 25%. Let me make it clear that this home's structure has remained the same since it was built by the

previous owners. And the last improvement listed on the assessment was in 2018 of a small shed. Yet, you want me to believe this law isn't being created to target Northern Living. Upon further research, Shelbie also found it interesting that not one of the town board members assessments had an increase, or many others in the town for that matter. This is a complete injustice. For this reason alone we plan to rent our camp, however, implementing this law with an extremely high proposed registration fee would make this very difficult. Especially since other towns, such as Queensbury, where a similar law was implemented, has no registration fee. The Northern Living Office spoke with the Town of Queensbury today's date to confirm. Especially when the only reason for the fee being nothing less than \$500 per home, per year Shelbie quotes "they're definitely making a killing on it" end quote or because she quotes "\$500 up there is pennies" end quote. Neither of these are valid reasons for implementing this law. Shelbie provided the town with a copy of what she said and paper copies are available at the town clerk's office for anyone wishing to have a copy.

Bruce Moskos, 186 Hadlock Pond Road was a sitting judge for thirty six (36 years) in NYS. He finds this to be a tremendous over reach. There are already rules and regulations in the Adirondack Park Agency. You've got a couple of winners and cryers that don't want people making money. That happens to be the nature of the business. Mr. Moskos stated in Saratoga everyone rents out for four (4) weeks from the 1st of June through end of September. As far as noise goes he hears fireworks from first of June through the end of September and you don't hear him complaining.

Catherine Matier, 3164 Sunset View Way completely objects. She prepared a statement and handed to the TBM's. She acquired her property when the dam was out in 2006. She updated her property, with the intent to rent in the summers, to offset the taxes, insurance, utilities and repairs. Her property is rented on average 8 – 12 weeks per year and she occupies it in the Spring, Fall and a few weeks in the winter.

She calls the house, Hemlock House, has two bedrooms, one and a half baths, a full walkout basement, and a three car garage. Hemlock House is listed at VRBO and there is an agreement for all tenants to agree to, as well as additional insurance coverage for them and the property. Pets are allowed.

Ms. Matier is not aware of any complaints from her offsetting costs to upkeep her by renting her out to others to enjoy.

Ms. Matier complete objects to the proposed law regulating the short term renting of her property for the following four reasons.

1. Most of the items in the proposed law are redundant to existing laws such as Fire code for residential properties, doors, electrical code, occupancy, egress from bedroom, dogs house number, and, etc.
2. Some items are addressed in her rental agreement, and house guide such as operation of the wood stove, garbage day, dog rabies and prevention of parasites, etc. Anyone who does this would be foolish not to have leases and rules.
3. The proposed law has over reaching licensing fees and regulations, not found in the Queensbury law enacted in 2020. They have no licensing as in Article 5, nor dog stipulation in Article 3, Item 1. The Town, to be more business friendly, removed the campground fees several years ago as requested by Moose Hillock, and this is a reverse of that course for the Town to create a business positive environment.

4. Unenforceable items for the Town to require are, parking limitations, for example, where she can have six guests but only three cars, where Hemlock House has parking for at least six cars. It prevents a reunion of friends driving from six different locations and is unreasonable. It should be based on the number of occupants.

Also, the Town tried to pass a sound law recently and it was not approved for many reasons. How will enforcement know if she is using the property or short term tenants? How is it fair that she can be sitting around a campfire laughing with friends at 10:30 p.m. but my rented neighbors have to be quiet? How do you define quiet?

In summary, she asks that the Town abandon this attempt to over regulate and generate exorbitant fees from property owners who have done this for years with no complaints. She is of the opinion the right to rent, like the right to farm. We bring in tourists who spend big dollars in the Town and several who have stayed have bought property in the Town. There are already regulations and laws in place to keep everyone safe and happy. Those should be enforced and any complaints received addressed.

Ms. Matier thanked the board for their time and consideration and for their leadership and selfless devotion to the Town of Fort Ann. Ms. Matier asks that you vote NO in taking this to public meeting and circular file (trash) this proposed law.

John Moskos, 784 Dean Road, Hudson Falls stated he agrees there are complaints but he has addressed the five (5) complaints received from Bill Bailey and Penny Gould over the last five (5) years; the four (4) complaints received from the Patterson's have also been taken care of; Mr. Moskos said he doesn't know or doesn't remember speaking with Barry Davis. Mr. Davis said he had contacted Northern Living because he was concerned about the speed on the road and the response from the Moskos was thanks for letting me be aware of that. Katelyn jumped in and there was bantering back and forth whether this was addressed or not.

A voice from the crowd said this is not the purpose of this meeting (referring to the bantering).

Mr. Moskos wanted to address the hotel comment he stated they are not trying to be the bad guys in this town. Mr. Moskos said he works his ass off all the time and they are not trying to be assholes. Mr. Moskos apologized for his language. Katelyn Moskos stated they do respond immediately and been to the property to rectify the eight (8) complaints in the five (5) years addressed the crowd with not one person can say they haven't responded.

Katelyn Moskos said she does remember speaking to someone but said she ended up hanging up on him because he was hollering at her.

Kathleen Patterson wanted to speak since her name was mentioned by Katelyn with regards to Washington County but Katelyn said she wasn't done with her three (3) minutes and Kathleen already had her three (3) minutes. Supervisor Hall tried to include Katelyn's three (3) minutes with her husbands three (3) minutes but Katelyn said she gets three (3) minutes for herself. Supervisor Hall asked Katelyn to please finish her three (3) minutes.

Katelyn Moskos, 784 Dean Rd., Hudson Falls. Katelyn said she is disappointed they and their company are being targeted. Katelyn stated she was disappointed to hear how the community is being affected because they didn't know about this law – a community she loves. Katelyn said what was said at the last

board meeting was very unprofessional about her and her company in which she said Sam Hall said he should be ashamed of himself representing the town and calling her and her company the wild west twice. She said Sam doesn't know her and has never met her personally. Katelyn said she spoke to the Fort Ann Town Clerk and she didn't have any written complaints on file. Katelyn said to Supervisor Hall the complaints all conveniently went to your personal phone after hours.

Supervisor Hall told Katelyn we aren't going to argue tonight.

Katelyn asked where are these complaints coming from? Katelyn said Supervisor Hall never returns her calls or emails. Katelyn stated she has sacrificed time with family. She said Northern Living does have very strict regulations in their agreements. Katelyn said they are not here to hurt anyone. Katelyn said the laws are too evasive. She said they've invested thousands and thousands and thousands of dollars and increased peoples property values. Katelyn said there were no complaints until Sam Hall conveniently got on the board. Katelyn said all that she hears is about the money being made and yes she said she does make a shit ton of money but she has worked her ass off to earn it.

Kathleen Patterson stated she has renters on both sides with only one (1) being Northern Living. Mrs. Patterson wanted to say that Katelyn did respond to her complaints twice. Mrs. Patterson would like to resolve this peacefully and amicably and all get along and not be confrontational and get things done.

Katelyn Moskos said how about coming to her instead of contacting Washington County.

Too many people speaking at once – not audible. The only voice that stood out from the crowd said take this conversation outside.

Ernie Small, 2085 Red Johnston Way moved here four (4) years ago health of lake is most important; lake needs to stay healthy. Mr. Small stated he moved here because of the cleanliness of the lake and the environment itself.

Katelyn Moskos stated all their septic are up to code. She addressed Supervisor Hall by saying isn't that right Sam Hall because you contacted Washington County Code Enforcement. Supervisor Hall stated that is why he got involved is because he was contacted with concerns/issues. Katelyn then asked why aren't people speaking up tonight. Supervisor Hall stated people don't want to be abused. Supervisor Hall stated he didn't call her the Wild West but was referring to one of the properties. Supervisor Hall stated he has traveled for numerous years and stayed at numerous hotels/motels and this type of behavior is not acceptable and hotels/motels don't put up with it. Supervisor Hall responded to Katelyn's question of where are all these complaints why aren't they standing up tonight. Supervisor Hall said the people with concerns/issues are made to feel that they are to blame and they should remedy the problems.

Lorraine Paulsen, Deer Pond Way has had a place on the lake and rents a few times a year to pay for taxes; loves the lake; we do have fun; we do party; why can we do it and not Northern Living; we can't control these renters/neighbors; why have you targeted Northern Living; come together as a community. Mrs. Paulsen stated that Northern Living donates thousands of dollars to this community. Mrs. Paulsen said we are trying to keep this lake safe and healthy.

Jeff Weiss, 1351 Pilot Knob Road, Kattskill Bay does weekly rentals; wants the town board to remember you are affecting Pilot Knob/Kattskill Bay.

Supervisor Hall had the Town Clerk read the following from the DRAFT A Local Law Regulating Short Term Rentals in the Town of Fort Ann: ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE AND INTENT; AUTHORITY. The Town Board has determined that short-term, transient rentals can be incompatible with the sense of privacy, community and ambience currently enjoyed in residential areas of the Town and have the potential to create a threat to the public health, safety and well-being within the Town. The Board also recognizes that Short-Term Rentals can attract visitors to the Town and can provide an additional source of income to Town residents. This local law shall apply to the whole Town and is intended to regulate the commercial nature of short-term rentals and transient guests.

Accordingly, the Board wishes to provide regulations to protect against adverse effects of this use while allowing it under appropriate circumstances. This Local Law is adopted pursuant to New York Municipal Home Rule Law.

Mike Dornan, 5699 State Rte 4 stated all you have to do is listen to that meeting to know it was all about money, power and greed. Mr. Dornan said it was disgusting. He stated he has been in a six (6) year battle with the Fort Ann School – he won and the school is appealing. The town doesn't have enough money to litigate this. He recommended getting a grip and get along with your neighbors. In his opinion the seven (7) properties can afford to litigate the shit out of you.

Taylor Foran stated that Northern Living does have quiet hour in the rental agreement of 10:00 p.m.

Cliff Nelson called Katelyn Moskos during the time when all businesses were on pause. He is a businessman and had to lay staff off. It sends chills up his spine when he contacted Katelyn and asked her are you still providing vacation rentals; after she giggled she responded I'm not providing vacation rentals any more she was just helping people in need.

Myranda Lynch, 30 Wastina Way having fun on a lake; it's summer; she loves that there's a huge business that cares about our community; she lives off Goodman Road and hears the track and birds chirping and loves it; it's unacceptable to call people after hours; take a chill pill live on a lake and just be happy. Thank you.

Lyle Washburn, Red Johnston Way, stated he has been on Hadlock 36 years and its deteriorated in the past 36 years. He said he respects the Moskos business but you live on Dean Road this doesn't affect your quality of life. He doesn't want to see anyone hurt but concerned with lake quality. He has a concern with noise. His three (3) year old heard swearing from across the lake. Mr. Washburn supports small business 100%.

Bonnie Graves, doesn't live on the lake but rents her house out. She is thankful to Kate Moskos who taught her how to do this and she still wants to do this; who can tell who and how much money they can or cannot make. Bonnie feels this is overreach and extremely unconstitutional. She doesn't like people being mean to Kate. She said Kate is very sweet and John too. They are very kind people. Who are you to tell her what she can or what she can't do?

Toni Geer, 45 Lake Nebo Road she is a bus driver; loves her job; love the kids on the bus but rules are the same for the kids on the front of the bus as the back of the bus. Rules for one very hard to maintain who's renting word of mouth and is it fair to those who are being out in the open about it. How are you

going to make it fair? Got to look at the big picture. May not affect you now but may affect you later. You have to be nice to people. If you can't be nice to people you shouldn't be sitting up there.

Mr. Bruce Moskos said there was an accusation about a renter stealing a lawnmower but when he had to pick up a couple at the airport from their private jet and renting from his son and daughter-in-law and their dog was taken care of better than most people at this meeting.

Katelyn Moskos apologized to everyone on the Town Board except Sam Hall. Katelyn said they have given blood, sweat and tears and taken a beating with certain neighbors ten (10) years in the making. Katelyn said they support every single benefit in the community and she chooses to give out thousands of dollars. She raised over 600 coats for local charities. She addressed Councilman Sexton that you don't know me and I don't know you but when your little boy needed help she was the first one there to donate. Katelyn said they are not here to impose on anyone's life. Katelyn's # is on her website and she welcomes people to contact her. Katelyn said you can bet your ass I'm not going down without a fight and yes she makes \$2,600.00 a night and will spend every goddam penny fighting it or either be ready to come to a realization that you're going overboard.

Supervisor Hall thanked everyone for coming and thanked them for their input.

7:31 p.m. Public Comment closed.

7:37 p.m. the town board meeting continued once the noise of the crowd exited the building.

3.0 Reports from Town Officials and Committees:

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Hall stated that the scheduling of the annual Hadlock dam inspection is coming up and an aquatic water study that has to be done every two (2) years.

Councilwoman Witherell asked who installed the dock at Clay Hill Road? Supervisor Hall answered it was Canal Corp. and the Budget Officer is looking into how much the town pays and if there's a contract.

Councilman Smith delivered new buoy's through the Association which is very much appreciated; putting Harvester in next week. Harvester will be sand blasted and deck painted over the winter; lot of weeds on north end and once they have a full crew they will be Harvesting away.

Councilwoman Stark stated there will not be a Senior Citizen picnic this year. Office for the Aging is offering Heating Assistance. Meals have started to be served at the Kingsbury site. On August 12th the Queensbury Seniors are having picnic for Seniors at the Heidelberg.

Councilwoman Stark has a phone number for people to take a survey on broadband.

Councilwoman Stark stated the Pilot Knob beach will open June 25, 2021. Still looking for lifeguards may have to shorten hours to noon to 6 p.m. instead of 10:00 a.m. – 6 p.m. if we can't get more lifeguards.

Councilwoman Stark said the bike trail is being used and getting to be known as a bike friendly town.

Town Clerk's Report was given for May 2021.

Highway Superintendent Report: The Highway Superintendent said the Highway Department has been cutting brush and doing tree work on Mattison Road and Buttermilk Falls Road. Also, some of the paving as started as well as mowing roadsides. The grade all is still not running properly. Paul Winchell stated they waited almost a month to get parts and when the parts showed up it still isn't running. There's money in the budget and they might have to lease a grade all in order to get culverts in.

Enforcement Officer Report paper report was given for May 2021. Stated he's been busy with building permits. Some of the building permits go way back that were never closed out and Washington County Code Enforcement is cleaning out and catching up so that's why the number is 16.

Supervisor Hall asked Mark to bring the board up to date on the notice of violation and order to remedy he served at 690 Dewey's Bridge Road. This local law that has been violated goes back to 1990 and is thirty-one (31) years old.

Historian: not present

5.0 New Business:

5.1 Open RFP's for 2021 Pilot Knob and West Fort Ann. Only one (1) received from Sean Hucko, CPA, 1851 Stone Rd., Ste 102, Rochester, New York 14615 in the amount of \$10,000.00.

5.2 Scott Priest appeared before the Town of Fort Ann Planning Board and was referred to the Town Board of the Town of Fort Ann see Resolution #52-2021.

RESOLUTION #50-2021

TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM QUALIFIED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

On motion of Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilman Smith to accept resolution entitled "Resolution to Accept the Proposal from Qualified Certified Public Accountants."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sexton, Smith, Stark, Witherell, Hall

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Supervisor Hall to execute any and all necessary documentation relative to the LOSAP auditing services for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

RESOLUTION #51-2021

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT WITH NYS DEC TO YORK RAKE SHELVING ROCK PARKING LOTS, TRASH COLLECTION AND YORK RAKE DACY CLEARING ROAD

On motion of Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to accept resolution entitled "Resolution authorizing Supervisor to execute contract with NYS DEC to York Rake Shelving Rock Parking Lots, Trash Collection and York Rake Dacy Clearing Road."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sexton, Smith, Stark, Witherell, Hall

RESOLVED, the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all agreements and related documents associated therewith with the NYS Department of Environmental conservation, to York rake Shelving Rock Parking Lots, trash collection and York rake Dacy Clearing Road.

RESOLUTION #52-2021

WAIVING COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 1990, A LOCAL LAW FOR THE REGULATION OF MOBILE HOMES, MOBILE HOME PARKS, TRAVEL TRAILERS AND TRAILER CAMPS, WITH RESPECT TO SCOTT PRIEST

On motion of Councilwoman Stark, seconded by Councilman Sexton to accept resolution entitled “Resolution Waiving Compliance with Local Law No. 1 of 1990, A Local Law for the Regulation of Mobile Homes, Mobile Home Parks, Travel Trailers and Trailer Camps, with Respect to Scott Priest.”

ADOPTED AYES 5 Sexton, Smith, Stark, Witherell, Hall

RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby grants Scott Priest a waiver from Local Law 1 of 1990, a Local law for the Regulation of Mobile Homes, Mobile Home Parks, Travel Trailers and Trailer Camps, with respect to the following requirements: 10.3 minimum lot size; 10.58 requiring one public telephone; 10.57 requiring laundry facilities; 10.53 requiring one male and one female shower, with an adjoining dress compartment.

8:09 p.m. **Open Public Discussion** with Bill Hohmann stating this short-term rental agreement should be fair for everyone. Supervisor Hall said the town board will go back and take a look at the DRAFT short-term rental agreement and appreciates everyone’s input.

8:10 p.m. **Closed Public Discussion**

8:11 p.m. motion was introduced by Councilman Sexton, seconded by Councilman Smith to adjourn.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Total Abstracts:	General:	\$7,800.88
	Highway:	\$9,719.29

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Winchell, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Ann, New York

Dated: June 25, 2021