The Theresa Town Board held a regular meeting July 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Office at 215 Riverside Ave. and the following were present:

Steven Marcinkowski

Supervisor

Timothy Busler - absent

Councilman

Kevin McCarthy

Councilman

Jamie Papin Kristopher Ryder Councilman Councilman

Kim Delles

Town Clerk

Mark Savage

Highway Superintendent

Others present: Wayne Smith, Aimee Martini, Christian Oblender, Lisa Stephenson, Jack Stephenson, Allyson Stephenson, Amandalynn Stephenson, Mike Campbell, Kristy Perry, Jason Crysler, Heather Crysler & Mike Trickey.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Marcinkowski at 6:00 p.m.

Reports received and placed on file:

Town Clerk's & Building & Zoning June 2023 report Transfer Site June 2023 report Supervisor's June 2023 report Judge Robert's – NO REPORT Judge Oblender's – NO REPORT

Res. #43

Motion by: Kevin McCarthy Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the minutes of June 14, 2023 be accepted as read.

VOTE: Mr. Busler - absent, Mr. McCarthy - aye, Mr. Papin - aye, Mr. Ryder - aye, Motion carried.

Mr. Marcinkowski – aye.

Res. #44

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski Seconded by: Kristopher Ryder

Resolved, that the following bills be paid:

Voucher #266-271;273-312;319 Total \$142,274.53

General

\$54,002.34

General O/S

\$510.00

Highway

\$7,605.80

Highway O/S

\$80,156.39

VOTE: Mr. Busler – absent, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye, Motion carried.

Mr. Marcinkowski – aye.

Discussion:

The Jefferson County Planning Board looked over the Town's proposed new Solar Law and said some things in it are outdated. Going forward they would like to work with the Town to develop a better version.

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Res. #45

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski Seconded by: Kristopher Ryder

Resolved, be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Theresa that the proposed Local Law entitled "Establishing a Townwide Six (6) Month Moratorium of Solar Energy Facilities" be introduced, and be it

Further Resolved, that the Town Board hold a Public Hearing on August 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for the adoption of the Local Law.

VOTE: Mr. Busler – absent, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye, Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Res. #46

Motion by: Kevin McCarthy Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the Town advertise for bid the construction of a new covered entryway addition on the Town Office.

VOTE: Mr. Busler – absent, Mr. McCarthy – aye, Mr. Papin – aye, Mr. Ryder – aye, Mr. Marcinkowski – aye.

Motion carried.

## Discussion:

Camper/RV law update: Supervisor Marcinkowski stated that he has spoken to a few of the other Board Members and they would like to form a committee to address the Town's RV laws. He said that there would be (2) members from the Town Board (Councilman Ryder & McCarthy volunteered), (2) members of the Planning Board (Planning Board Member Christian Oblender volunteered), (2) people from different lake associations and (2) to (3) members of the public (who live in the Town of Theresa) on the committee. The committee members will all be appointed at a later date. The Supervisor said that there will be nobody appointed to the committee for personal reasons. Councilman Ryder said that not everyone will be 100 percent happy. He thought a Chairman and Co-Chairman should be named when the committee is formed. Allyson Stephenson said that just because they don't live here that they should have a say. She stated that her family has had a lot to say about the law in the past. Councilman Ryder's opinion is that voters in Theresa should be on the committee. Supervisor Marcinkowski said that they will look at other viewpoints and there will be a public meeting at the fire hall when there is a draft of the new law ready. Councilman Papin stated that it effects taxpayers so it should be a diverse committee. Amandalynn Stephenson said that there are different laws inside the Village. She said that their land floods so the committee should take that into consideration. She thinks (1) outsider should be on the committee. Jack Stephenson does not think the law should be enforced just because a neighbor turns someone in. Councilman Ryder said that the Town of Lyme's website states that their Code Officer does not go around looking for code violations but ask if someone sees something to please report. Allyson Stephenson would like to know where it will be advertised when the draft by the committee is done. Supervisor Marcinkowski said on Facebook, Town Web Site, and the Watertown Daily Times. Supervisor Marcinkowski stated that no-one asked to be put on the agenda to speak with the Board about this issue again this month. Mike Trickey asked if the laws will still be enforced that are in place. Supervisor Marcinkowski said to do what is best for your family was all he could say.

Update of Highway Dept.:

- > All the paving is done.
- > The crew started working with the County on Route 46 this week.
- > Skid steer that was ordered last year is in Syracuse.

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Kristy Perry, Librarian, told the Board that the library is applying for a grant through the NYS Public Library Construction Grant Program for an upgrade to the internet. Marcinkowski signed a letter stating that the Town supports the project.

Update Park & Rec per Councilman Ryder:

- Summer recreation started Monday and (64) children have signed up.
- Mr. Ryder thanked Mr. Parmes, the Progress Group and Kristy Perry for all their help.
   The Youth Commission bought lunch for the program for today and tomorrow.
- > They had to close registration because there is only (1) bus and (1) bus driver, so not enough room for more than (64) kids and employees.
- Mr. Savage to cut down the fence around the tennis courts.
- > The Youth Commission is selling raffle tickets for a Blackstone grill. There will be a can drive starting on Monday at the rec center.

Supervisor Marcinkowski told the Board that Theresa Leeson resigned as Consolidated Health Officer. He will need to meet with the Consolidated Health Board to appoint a new Officer.

Res. #47

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski Seconded by: Kristopher Ryder

Resolved, that the Town Board to go into Executive Session at 6:46 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue and legal issue.

VOTE: Mr. Busler - absent, Mr. McCarthy - aye, Mr. Papin - aye, Mr. Ryder - aye, Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Res. #48

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski Seconded by: Kevin McCarthy

Resolved, that the Town Board close Executive Session at 7:21 p.m.

VOTE: Mr. Busler - absent, Mr. McCarthy - aye, Mr. Papin - aye, Mr. Ryder - aye, Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Res. #49

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the Town Board accept Terry McKeever's request for a paid leave of absence from his job as Code Enforcement Officer effective July 10, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

VOTE: Mr. Busler - absent, Mr. McCarthy - aye, Mr. Papin - aye, Mr. Ryder - aye, Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Res. #50

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski Seconded by: Kevin McCarthy

**Resolved**, that the meeting be closed at 7:23 p.m.

VOTE: Mr. Busler - absent, Mr. McCarthy - aye, Mr. Papin - aye, Mr. Ryder - aye, Mr. Marcinkowski – aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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