

**VILLAGE OF ATHENS BOARD MEETING  
AGENDA –DECEMBER 9, 2020**

*Pledge to the Flag.*

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

1. Tal Rappleyea – Village Attorney
2. Anthony Proper – DPW Director
3. Wayne Butterworth – Fire Chief
4. Roger Masse – Chief of Police
5. Ed Tercasio and Jeff Russo – Code Enforcement
6. North Dome operations- Seth Mann

**PUBLIC:**

1. Ellen Roth. Re: Welcome Wagon

**RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Proposed Resolution Approving Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, the Minutes from Village Board meeting held on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 be approved:

Offered by:  
Seconded by:  
Record of vote:

2. Proposed Resolution Approving Payment of Vouchers as Presented

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board approves payment of the vouchers as presented:

Offered by:  
Seconded by:  
Record of vote:

3. Proposed Resolution Re-appointing Registrar and Deputy Registrar

WHEREAS the two- year appointment for Registrar and Deputy Registrar are due to expire on December 20, 2020 and the Village Board is the authority for appointment,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board Re-appoint Clerk-Treasurer Mary Jo Wynne as Registrar and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Dawn Palmateer as Deputy Registrar for the Bureau of Vital Records for the New York State Department of Health:

Offered by:  
Seconded by:  
Record of vote:

4. Proposed Resolution Adopting the Village of Athens Climate Resilience Vision

WHEREAS the Village of Athens believes that climate hazards pose a real and increasing threat to local environments and strives for climate resilience; and

WHEREAS Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties, with approval from the Village Board, has prepared a Climate Resilience Vision including gathering community input on what a community that is resilient to climate hazards would look like in the future; and

WHEREAS the Resilience Vision includes guiding principles to ensure that climate resilience progress is consistent with the community's desired outcomes; and

WHEREAS the Village Board believes that the adoption of the Village of Athens Climate Resilience Vision will further the goals of climate resiliency;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Athens adopts the 'Village of Athens Climate Resilience Vision':

Offered by:

Seconded by:

Record of vote:

5. Proposed Resolution for the Adoption of the 2020 Town and Village of Athens Comprehensive Plan

Prior to adoption of RESOLUTION - SEQR - The Village Board reviews the **full** completed Environmental Assessment Form.

A **MOTION** should be made if the Village Board determines that there are no significant adverse impacts to the environment in association to the adoption of this plan. Village Board signature on Part III serves as the NEGATIVE DECLARATION.

A **RESOLUTION** for the Adoption of the 2020 Town and Village of Athens Comprehensive Plan (ATTACHED)

Offered by:

Seconded by:

Record of vote:

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Greene County Solid Waste Management. Re: Schedule changes.
2. Marshall & Sterling. Re: Premium Summary and Contract. Requires signature. Proposed annual premium \$70,395.15. Coverage deadline 12/23/20.
3. Lamont Engineering – Jason Preisner. Re: Update on new dpw garage and slip lining project.
4. Greene County Administrator. Re: Schedule changes.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Old DPW building.

**MOTION** to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss potential purchase or sale of real estate whereas the information could impact possible sale.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**RESOLUTION \_\_\_ OF THE  
VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF ATHENS**

**Adoption of the 2020 Town and Village of Athens Comprehensive Plan**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 2020

WHEREAS, a Comprehensive Plan is a statutorily recognized instrument under Village Law §7-722 for the immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development in a Village; and

WHEREAS, a properly crafted comprehensive plan assists with the protection of the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Town and Village of Athens identified that their previous joint comprehensive plan had been adopted in 2007 and that an updated comprehensive plan was needed to properly plan growth and development, protect the environment and enhance the health, safety and welfare of the community and residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town and Village Boards determined that a joint effort was important to the long-term success and sustainability of the Athens community; and

WHEREAS, the Town and Village Boards appointed a joint Comprehensive Plan steering committee and such committee conducted a study of the Town and Village of Athens that included a full inventory and analysis of the environmental, economic, housing, demographic, cultural and historical resources in Athens; and

WHEREAS, the input of the public was solicited through open public meetings, a joint planning workshop, a public survey, and public hearings to formulate and review the draft plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Plan includes the long-term vision, goals, objectives and strategies to guide the future growth in the Town and Village; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been submitted to and reviewed by the Village Board; and

WHEREAS, two public hearings were held pursuant to Village Law 7-722; and

WHEREAS, adoption of a comprehensive plan pursuant to Village Law 7-722 has been determined to be a Type I action, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) 6 NYCRR Part 617.4, and the Town and Village Board declared themselves co-Lead Agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Greene County Planning Board is required to review the Town and Village Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the applicable standards of New York State General Municipal Law 239-m and this approval is considered an advisory opinion under SEQRA and the agency is not considered to be eligible for lead agency status in this action, and

WHEREAS, the Town and Village submitted the draft plan to the Greene County Planning Board;  
and

WHEREAS, the Town and Village received approval from the Greene County Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action will not require permits and approvals from any other local,  
regional and State agencies prior to adoption of the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town and Village Boards, as co-lead agencies evaluated all parts of the FEAF, along  
with public hearing comments, and declared that the Town and Village of Athens  
Comprehensive Plan described herein will not have any significant adverse environmental  
impacts, and determined that no further changes to the Draft Comprehensive Plan will be  
required.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF  
ATHENS, GREENE COUNTY, NEW YORK:**

THAT THE Village of Athens hereby determines that the Comprehensive Plan, attached hereto  
and made a part hereof, is hereby adopted as the updated Comprehensive Plan of the Town  
and Village of Athens, and

THAT THE Village Board shall file a final copy of the Town and Village of Athens Comprehensive  
Plan with the Village of Athens Village Clerk and with the Greene County Planning Department  
as required in 7-722, and

THAT THE Village Board shall cause a copy of the Comprehensive Plan to be posted on the  
Village's website, and

THAT THE Village Board shall alert the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and Code  
Enforcement Officer that the 2020 Comprehensive Plan is adopted.

Motion Made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote:

\_\_\_\_Yea

\_\_\_\_No