

Town of Triangle  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday February 8, 2024

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3 The meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Triangle was held at 7:00 PM at the Town of Triangle Town Offices, 2612  
4 Liberty Street, Whitney Point, New York.

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6 **Order:** 7:00 PM

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8 **Present:** Supervisor Manasse, Councilmen Mesceda, Bennett, Rapp, Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop, Superintendent  
9 McGowan, and Clerk Martin.

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11 **Guests:** Michele Morrison

12 Motion by Councilman Mesceda to appoint Michele Morrison as Justice for the Town of Triangle. Second by Councilwoman  
13 Mesceda-Knoop. Vote: all ayes. Michele Morrison left at 7:20 PM.

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15 **Minutes:** Motion by Councilman Mesceda to accept the minutes of January 11, 2024, with the addition of “as agreed to by the  
16 Board” added to line 23. Second by Councilman Bennett. Vote: Supervisor Manasse, Councilmembers: Mesceda, Bennett,  
17 Rapp, Mesceda-Knoop all ayes.

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19 **Supervisors Report:** Motion by Councilman Mesceda to accept the January Supervisor’s Report as submitted. Second by  
20 Councilman Rapp. Vote: Supervisor Manasse, Council Mesceda, Bennett, Rapp, Mesceda-Knoop all ayes.

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22 **Abstract of Payment:** Motion by Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop to approve Abstract # 2. Second by Councilman Rapp.  
23 Vote: Supervisor Manasse, Council Mesceda, Bennett, Rapp, Mesceda-Knoop all ayes.

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25 **Claims:** Claims 40-77 in the amount of \$19,707.84 in the General Fund and \$ 28,255.12 in the Highway Fund and \$  
26 32,803.50 in the Fire Districts Fund \$54,369.00 in the Ambulance fund.

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28 **Department Reports: Historian:** none. **Building:** Supervisor Manasse inspected a single-family home built on Page Brook  
29 Road. Supervisor Manasse has spoken with several individuals about the Code Enforcement position, it will be hard to find  
30 someone willing to take the classes and do the job. **DCO:** seven calls: license 0, missing 3, hang ups 1, Village 1 complaint  
31 0, other 2. all Complaints/Calls complete dogs seized 0, dangerous dog cases 0 Appearance tickets issued 0, Reports/other  
32 information all clear. **Clerk report:** Clerk provided the sewer assessment from the Village of Whitney Point. Clerk collected  
33 \$1,000 in fees in January. Clerk reports 73% (seventy-three) of the taxes have been collected. **Payroll:** Clerk Martin states  
34 payroll is up to date, December is not balanced, Williamson Law Books has found a problem with the program and will have  
35 to fix it before December can be balanced or the Annual report filed. Clerk may have to request an extension from the Office  
36 of the State Comptroller to file the Annual Report. **Highway Department:** Highway Superintendent McGowan reports the  
37 Grader has been delivered and the Salt Barn is full. Highway Superintendent McGowan has the generators at the Highway  
38 Garage. Highway Superintendent McGowan states truck 2021 has a blown hose and bent tailgate will take it to Murphy’s  
39 Fabrication to get it straightened out and truck 2023 went down in the last snowstorm, the electric clutch for the PTO (Power  
40 take off) needs \$1200 worth of repair, that is not under warranty. Highway Superintendent McGowan reports the mowing is  
41 coming along, 65/100 hours are used up. Highway Superintendent McGowan plans on renting a lift to clean the ceiling at the  
42 Highway Garage. Highway Superintendent McGowan had an employee start the Gradall when the boom was extended which  
43 cracked the windshield. Northeast Plate and Glass will replace the pane of glass for \$127, and the Highway Department will  
44 install it, Gradall Inc. wanted \$1,000 for the job. Highway Superintendent McGowan reports the welder sold on Auctions  
45 International for \$520., now that the new grader is here, can the Town post the old grader on Auctions International, and a  
46 Shared Services agreement from Greene needs Board approval. Motion by Councilman Mesceda to accept the bid on the  
47 welder with Auctions International for \$520.00. Second by Councilman Rapp. Vote: all ayes. Motion by Councilman  
48 Mesceda to list the 1985 Galion Grader on Auctions International: motor and transmission are good, right rear final drive has  
49 issues and tires are new. Second by Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop. Councilman Mesceda would like the bid to match the  
50 price if scrapped: 14-15 ton of steel at \$ 2.65/ ton is \$3,710. Vote: all ayes. Motion by Councilman Mesceda to authorize the  
51 Highway Superintendent McGowan to sign the Shared Services agreement with the Town of Greene. Second by Councilman  
52 Rapp. Vote: all ayes.

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54 **Unfinished Business:** Supervisor Manasse thanked staff for hosting a party for John Orzel, good food and great memories  
55 were shared. Supervisor Manasse read a thank you note from John Orzel.  
56 Supervisor Manasse reviewed the asset management decisions, and the news on the generators is that NYSEG has a new  
57 policy regarding disconnect/re-connections. Supervisor Manasse has spoken with Josh Clark and there may be a two or three  
58 day lag between disconnect and reconnection of electricity during the installation of the back up generators. Supervisor  
59 Manasse spoke with Steve Dobransky, who is not interested in the Building Inspector position, but will consider the Board of  
60 Assessment Review in May. Supervisor Manasse acknowledged the appointment of Michele Morrison as Judge for Town of  
61 Triangle. The new Tax Warrant issued on January 12, which extends the penalty free and all other related deadlines by two  
62 weeks.

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63 **New Business:** Supervisor Manasse announced Emily J Martin has agreed to clean the Town Hall until Jessica Prince has  
64 healed and gotten the release from the Doctor.  
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66 **Correspondence:** Supervisor Manasse reviewed the interest statement from NBT for the month of December \$ 10,033.49 .  
67 Supervisor Manasse spoke with Dick Baldwin who is promoting the 200-year anniversary of the northern Towns splitting off  
68 from the Chenango Triangle and is suggesting that each Town set aside money for activities 2031.  
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70 Supervisor Manasse listened in on a zoom meeting hosted by Broome County Planning Department Housing needs and  
71 assessment for low-income individuals and families.  
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73 Motion by Councilman Mesceda to adjourn this meeting at 8:08 PM  
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Sandra K Martin  
Town Clerk