

SOUTH BRISTOL TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 10, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular meeting of the South Bristol Town Board was called to order June 10, 2024 at 7:00pm.

PRESENT

Daniel Marshall, Supervisor
Meg Fuller, Councilwoman
Jim Strickland, Councilman
Stephen Cowley, Councilman
Scott Wohlschlegel, Councilman

RECORDING SECRETARY

Judy Voss, Town Clerk

OTHERS

Chuck Ryan, Tracey Howe, Dawn & Mark Case, Gloria Harrington, Ginny Lalka, Kevin Stahl

I. ROLL CALL

Supr. Marshall opened the meeting with roll call.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilman Wohlschlegel and seconded by Councilman Cowley, the minutes of the May 13, 2024 Regular Town Board minutes and the May 18, 2024 Special Meeting minutes were ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Dawn Case, of Canandaigua, asked the Board for permission to plant a tree at the South Bristol Overlook in memory of her brother, David Case, that used to own the property. He never got a chance to build, moved away and sold the property that was then donated to the Town for the Overlook.

Supt. Wight said it could be located at the South-end of the Overlook; not to block any view.

Supr. Marshall said the type of tree has yet to be determined and the highway department can take care of the planting.

Chuck Ryan of Shore Drive, I think you know why I am here; we have our neighbor, Cartwright Farms, LLC, that we spoke about last month and I did send an email out to the Board this morning with some photos, did everyone have a chance to see that?

Councilman Strickland said he did not.

Mr. Ryan continued, basically, we are just making a few points to follow up where we are now. Wanted to thank you for issuing an Order to Remedy that is dated May 16th to the

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property owner and it was good for 30 days which is coming up. I was wondering if all of you or most of you had a chance to visit the site? That was one of our requests last month.

Councilman Cowley said he did; Councilwoman Fuller said she visited this afternoon. Supr. Marshall said he was there this morning.

Mr. Ryan said he knows that one of the concerns was the private road and you did have permission from last month, that was fine, I did see the Town of South Bristol truck once in a while go over to Bristol Harbor so you are free to go down there anytime. What were your impressions?

Supr. Marshall said he wasn't sure he wanted to get into the position of making that; I want to make sure that my Code Enforcement people are there. They have to make the call, they have to make the decision; we as a Board, to the best of my knowledge, we don't have the authority to override the Code Enforcement Officer. We are going to ask him to stay right on top of it at this stage of the game. We will let you know how things go. I don't think it will go easily, but we will work on it.

Mr. Ryan said Thank You, glad to hear you say that.

Supr. Marshall said, we share your concern Mr. Ryan.

Mr. Ryan said Thank you and glad to hear that; I think the end of our last presentation last month, hope we are all on the same team on this and I am glad to hear you say that the Code Enforcement people are independent of the Town Board, because that is my understanding of the State Law also. What I have here are hard copies of colored photos that were in the email this morning; I'd like to give these to Judy and make sure Judy makes this morning's email as part of the record. Just a couple of additional points to that; did you see the email Sir?

Councilman Strickland said he did not see the email.

Mr. Ryan continued, basically there were a couple of photos, one from last month and another from yesterday. At last month's meeting the dumpster is in the same place, which is right up against our property line, the port-a-john got moved immediately on our property line, we have to drive by it at the end of our driveway. That got moved from the May meeting to now, shortly after the May meeting. And then the landing craft, that was back away a little bit, that got moved onto the shared drive; now my grandson loves that landing craft, he is the only one in the family that likes it, the rest of us, we did some investigating with our law enforcement contacts and reason to believe it is unlicensed and unregistered so I would ask that that gets checked out. I didn't put a picture in and I don't know how far you got onto the property but there's the green tug boat or whatever he calls it that we believe it is in violation of the water-rights line 10-foot setback.

Councilman Cowley said that was on the other side of the garage, is that what you are talking about? The 2-car garages there?

Mr. Ryan said the tug-boat is in the water and if you look the water rights maps that we have.

Councilman Cowley asked if that was between the homeowner's right?

Supr. Marshall said no, it is part of the Uniform Docking & Mooring Law.

Mr. Ryan said that there are 10-foot setbacks on either side and he is encroaching on that.

Councilman Cowley said it is because it is in a cove, correct? Because the lines cross?

Mr. Ryan said yes, exactly, it doesn't go straight out.

Councilman Cowley said I experienced that once because I went to see a friend and I parked that boat on that side of the dock and the next day he had a letter in his mailbox from the homeowner's lawyer. Only because I docked there for the afternoon; it was in violation, because

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of the Docking/Mooring lines in a cove. If the lakeshore is flat everything goes straight out or however it works, but in a cove they start to intersect.

Supr. Marshall said he would reach out to Kevin Olvany on this.

Mr. Ryan, thanked Supr. Marshall for that. Just two quick points, we have tried to reach out to Jeremy and Cathy and there was a text exchange basically said no, he doesn't want to meet, not interested, we were harassing. So we were trying to do this like adults and see if we can work together. One of his texts, I think, was one of the items in the picture from last month, was a big metal corrugated pipe that has been on the property for 3 or 4 years at least and now he says it is ours, that we dug it up. That we had Gary Rogers, or Guy Rogers, I don't know who the hell Guy Rogers is, we have our own people do it. But he is saying we dug it up, it is on his property, get rid of it. I mean, does he really think we would leave a pipe there for that long? If it was ours we would. So anyway, that is the gist of my comments and the Order to Remedy expires I believe, Friday, and the last sentence, this was in your email this morning, from Scott Martin to them, "*We feel you have the means to comply easily and would like to avoid an Appearance Ticket in this matter.*" So all we ask is for your support as you indicated, Mr. Supervisor, that if he doesn't comply, it's not looking real good right now, that the CEO does in fact issue that ticket and go on for process. Thank you for your time.

Supr. Marshall said thank you for your comments, sir. We appreciate it.

Beth Thomas, the South Bristol Historian, presented a Power Point Presentation for the Board. Mrs. Thomas said, the South Bristol Historian is homeless, I am coming to ask you to listen to this proposal on creating an office. There is an introduction, some primary goals that I would help all of us, some strategies for success which means money-making, a timeline and then my final summary. Part of this is to show you the treasure-trove of historic documents that none of you have ever seen that relate to Bristol and South Bristol; it is a huge accumulation of genealogical records and a femora of paper, a few artifacts and lots of Town documents that relate to Bristol and South Bristol before 1838 when we were all one. Really old stuff. Because anything that is historical in nature, even if it has been successioned into the Historical Society, which a lot of this hasn't, belongs to ultimately, whether it is Town records or historical society's records, to New York State; so it is for all of us to use. We propose that the South Bristol Community Partnership seeks a grant to purchase this property for the Bristol Hills Research and Welcome Center. This would be a community access space for meetings, etc., and for genealogical research, and to create kind of an identity for South Bristol. There are a couple of key ideas there that will come up later. The biggest thing is a home for records which currently live in the attic of the Bristol Town Hall, which is exactly like the Grange building, not temperature controlled, I have 17 filing cabinets and a huge wall of biners, so we would like some better space. Business opportunities are like buses, there are always another one coming. So this is the property I have my eye on, which would help both of us and the Town at large. The northside of the building, right out front, but that building and it's parking long, especially the last picture to the right, the south line may become really important.

Mrs. Thomas continued, with a picture of what is upstairs at the Bristol Town Hall, early ledgers dating from 1803, there are about 20 of them, the genealogical wall is full of binders of early families in Bristol and South Bristol, at least 40 of them. Letters and diaries, the most notable one is our Civil War soldier and our Civil War nurse. We have tin-type photos dating back to the 1860's. Census and cemetery materials, everyone of the binders is from Bristol and South Bristol by the most remote cemetery's located up in the woods. We have some artifacts, a

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lot of them are in the Grange already, a few of them are on display in Bristol Town Hall, most of it is early maps and paper. We have posters and early portraits and paintings, we have 146 index scrapbooks, every single page is indexed in a computer so I know what's in there. The earliest ones are from F.M. Martel, the Martel Store was in Baptist Hill and she is the woman that started the Bristol Historical Society in 1940's. I have whole lot of town maps and newspapers and some textiles too, some WWII uniforms. A lot of this needs to be digitized so we can save it forever. The front hall display is some our precious Native American artifacts, those were all found across the street from Burning Springs. I have been granted a large space within the Bristol Town Hall's vault. The top shelf, in the vault, contains the Town history minutes from 1798 until 1838 when the Town's split, our joint history. The vault entrance used to be my office, which we found out was legal as there is not supposed to be any office space within a courtroom. So, this was shoved into the vault and made it extremely cramped in there and they would like their space back. The entire back wall of the vault contains banker boxes that contain the history of the 7 churches that were in Bristol and South Bristol; that is what we were known for, we were the Town of Seven Churches. I have all the earliest cemetery records that are all handwritten, I have a few pieces of slate gravestones that were going to get buried in the dirt, so we save those. I have a purple heart, uniforms, pictures, 4 boxes of early pictures, just incredible stuff.

I went out to RAIMS, which is the Records, Archives, Information Management System of Ontario County to see how they store all of their archives. They have state-of-the-art, big community workspace, they've got display cases that are all temperature controlled, maps storage is pretty unique. We have 1859 maps and some that were hand-done that are earlier than that. The deeds and mortgages, right now I have them in archival boxes, but we have early ones from Boswell Corners which was County Road 34, and the Allen property, which is now Bristol Mountain. Artifact boxes are primarily things that would disintegrate on paper, or textiles, I have a few of those, but not a lot. The photo shows how RAIMS does their ledgers, we have them on a bookcase underneath a window at the moment. RAIMS has a map case and they even put storage in the rafters which I thought was brilliant. Obviously, they also have the luxury of having everything temperature and humidity controlled. One of the things that is available to all Town Historians is the giant scanner. Anything I don't have the capability to scan either through a camera or through a copier I can take out there and they do it for free. They've even encapsulated, which came from South Bristol, the enrollment for WWI soldiers that were eligible to join the service and those do not exist. They were supposed to send all of those copies to Albany and South Bristol didn't send their extra copy and the County Historian said it is the only one he has ever seen. That is the kind of thing we are trying to save.

So how can we make money on this treasure trove of information? I envision this space as a Research and Welcome Center and the \$20/hour is how much the Town of Bloomfield right now for people that come to their academy to do genealogical research. I would have to take my hat off as Town Historian, because I am not allowed to do genealogical research, and I do have a few volunteers from the Historical Society, put on another cap as Genealogist and then use our materials to research for people their family roots. The database that was created by my predecessor and is on my laptop has 300,000 names on it. All linked through Family Tree Maker. The roots go back to the earliest settlers here in the area. The other thing I can see this space being used for because we did have overflow on our last event that was held at the Historical Society, is for parking. We had people parking at the Town Hall, but this could help with that. When we have had concerts and programs we've been pulling in over 100 people to

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every single one of our programs; we have another program next Monday night, and that is about our local connection with our earliest Suffragist, who came back to South Bristol and created the very first women's equality club in the country after she went to Seneca Falls and met Frederick Douglass. Her name is Emily Parmele Collins and she and Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass were all friends.

The other thing that is happening this summer is the students from Geneseo are going through all of the barns in Bristol and South Bristol. This was a project that was originally started by Ray Henry. He was the Canandaigua Town Historian and another man, Jay Repard, and they went through Ontario County and took pictures of every old barn they could find. They gave every Town Historian the binder of the barns. We have a lot of really special ones in Bristol and South Bristol, so the students from Geneseo are getting paid this summer to create a driving tour of the cool old barns in Bristol and South Bristol. They are calling all the owners of these old barns right now and taking pictures and they are going to superimpose on that the location and if they have a Barn Quilt on the barn. South Bristol Town Barn where the Finger Lakes Barn Quilt Trail originated from Leah Friend's original barn quilt is No. 1 on the list. One of the ways we could brand South Bristol.

Obviously, one of the other aces that we have in our pocket for this town is the whole allure of all of the different visitor opportunities that we have here. We've got hiking, the Overlook, campgrounds, ski areas, waterfront, Boy Scout camps, there is just so many different things. If I could take people on a history tour I could show them 10 Native American sites right here in this Town. We are doing a lot of research on that too because we just found archeological evidence from the New York State programs that were done in the 1960's. It was stashed in somebody's attic and it talked about 5 sites that were in Bristol and South Bristol. We are so pristine here that I get calls from the Morgan Chapter of the NYS Archeological Center asking "where should we dig in South Bristol next?" Of course, you all ready know, the last dig the did was the Schoolhouse site on County Road 33 in South Bristol. The theory was that they had moved that schoolhouse from County Road 33 to the old Girl Scout Camp and it's true. They measured it and that is exactly what happened.

The other thing you should know about, and it is coming right now, there was just a meeting this week, of all of the Town Historians with the Finger Lakes Visitor Connection, who has been given funds from NYS to create a Finger Lakes Virtual Museum. The trickle down effect is that the Town Historians were given a deadline, I have 3 weeks to write up and give them pictures of all of the notable places in Bristol and South Bristol. That's where is going to end up, I will be scrambling to get that done and it is great for tourism, but that is not the rest of the story. That is going to be a QR code on a map that will have the historical information.

So we can make \$20.00 per hour with the Research/Welcome Center, we can get bus tours, maybe a community garden. I all ready pitched this whole presentation to the Town of Bristol when I was asking them to consider the little building that is right across the road from the Bristol Center Church, now owned by Bristol Hills Historical Society. Mitch Makowski, a South Bristol resident, owns that building and that was one of my first requests which would have made for a good office. That did not work out. But we were talking about the same kind of thing there, that was the very beginning of Bristol Center, we could do the same thing with South Bristol. Paint a mural on the side of the building. Welcome to South Bristol, put in a community garden, offer wi-fi, some other way to promote tourism, maybe a farmer's market on Saturday mornings.

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The BHHS can accommodate approximately 100 people upstairs and it is being used for meetings, we would like to get to the point where we could have weddings, events, there. Our big stumbling stone is there the ground well water, which means we can't use the kitchen without jumping through a lot of hoops. The other problem is the bathrooms, and if you have been in there, they are tucked under a staircase, and they don't even pass code because the sink and the toilet are not in the same room. That is one of the things they are looking into.

One of the other things I propose and this is an alternative idea to what I am proposing tonight, is that I could take one section of that building and turn that into the Town Historian Office and just insulate that one little space and put all the little artifacts in there that might be stolen if we had a rental and be able to lock that space. Just another idea.

So the South Bristol community and the Historical Society benefits would be another place to have group meetings, and workshop space, barn quilt painting opportunities, clubs meeting there, the Bristol Library would love to have space where they could have meetings down here too. One of the most popular things on a weekly basis is euchre. Maybe just another place to have community events like that. The South Bristol Grange and the Historical Society's church in Bristol Center have both been put on the National Registry of Historical Places recently. Obviously those are 2 of the places that are going to be on the virtual museum. If we are able to get the BHHS Grange up and running, the weddings would generate income and tourism, the B and B's in the area would benefit, Brew & Brats and the other breweries and wineries and restaurants and businesses would benefit by just having more people there. The Town of South Bristol benefits would be increase the visibility and publicity, the whole idea of using the Barn Quilt Trail, picture the flags you see going into every Town, we have 30 different Barn Quilts. Increase revenue and hopefully attract more tourists and benefit residents and other community partners by more traffic.

This is the pie in the sky moment, do you know that Humphrey Bogart spent his summers here. The one place in this whole Town that I have always loved is the Sebastian Bopple house on Bopple Hill Road. That was where, according to my research, he stayed, because that was the boarding house for his aunt and uncle's property on Seneca Point. Every summer we could have a Humphrey Bogart festival. That is another claim to fame that is totally unique.

The other things we could highlight, we have all ready started the art show. We had one yesterday. Bristol Fun Days was yesterday and we highlighted two of our local artists that used to live in Bristol One artist named F.K. Pierce, lived in Baptist Hill, we have 2 of his paintings and were given a treasure trove of all of his sketches. Also, Jim Simpson whose studio was on the corner of Route 64 and County Road 32. We are trying to do and have all ready started is in the Historical Society building, we have made the entire downstairs floor original artwork by Bristol and South Bristol artists and there are a ton of them. Every time you look around, I am finding another one.

One of the other things that is top on the list, I don't know if you realize how many people came to the Burning Springs presentation the Historical Society had. We had over 1,500 people come in 2 days. Just so they could hike and see the waterfall. That should be another draw and it is definitely going to be something that I say for the Virtual Museum too because the other famous one in South Bristol is the Randall Gully and I have information about the Randall ancestors. The gully is located north of Lock, Stock on Route 64. Cemetery tours, we have such cool cemeteries. The Wilder Cemetery has the Town founder in it, Gamamiel Wilder gravestone is still visible, and we have a woman who is a descendant who comes back every year and donates a significant amount of money to the Historical Society because we maintain that

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cemetery. We just found another cemetery too, the Pierce Cemetery, which is off of Gulick Road way back in the woods.

One of the other things we would eventually like to get to, to make our other building viable is, we have Parsons Organ Factory right down the road, an orphan organ that fits the 1846 timeframe of our little church and in Bristol Center and rent that out. Believe it or not, there are people that go to a small town west of here to rent the space just to play the organ and practice. Rent out that building for organ practice or concerns or weddings.

The Town of Bristol has already given me access to grantwatch.com which I go on every week to see if there is anything we qualify for. I also went to the NYS Program at Geneseo to talk about the public funding and there is some for a 50% reimbursement grant and the application directions are 37 pages long and it is for acquisition of property to help with visibility for visitors. It is a possibility.

So, how do we get there? We can look for grants, we can do a capital campaign, we actually have some people already that have helped us with grant writing we can secure letters of support for the historical society, the Bristol Library would also like to come to South Bristol, Parsons Organ Factory is onboard. Harmony Circle, which is a group of 24 women in Bristol and South Bristol that the sole purpose of the Club is raise money and give it away, the United Church of Bristol also has roots here in South Bristol.

Bristol Hills Community is a wonderful network of businesses, clubs, and not-for-profit corps that will benefit from the collaboration and use of this research and welcome center. We can all use it and Bristol Hills Historical Society building is also available for use. By using a professional grant writer we'd be able to continue to fund improvements on that building or whatever building we can find. The parking lot property would help benefit the use this corridor for events and the efficiencies will come from proactively transforming how we do the business.

Mrs. Thomas thanked the Board for their time.

Supr. Marshall said the property you are discussing is just up the street, couple of things to make note, and number one is we do not own it yet. We will speak to this later on in the Agenda, there is one more week before the Permissive Referendum expires.

Mrs. Thomas agreed, any space that you can think of to bring your Town Historian.

Supr. Marshall agreed, and cautioned that no one has been inside the structure and we don't think there is a whole lot there. As to finding an office for the Town Historian, there may be some space within the Town Hall which is a possibility. Sadly, a huge mistake was made when this building was built with no including a full basement.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HIGHWAY

Councilman Cowley read the May Highway Report:

Following is a brief summary of events at the Highway Department in the last month.

- Mowing of Town properties
- Roadside mowing of County and Town roads has started for the summer.
- Preparing to close the bridge on Lower Egypt Rd. (Monday June 10th in the afternoon)
The existing bridge will be removed and replaced with a large culvert in July/ August.
- Tree removal and tree trimming in further preparation for milling and paving on Mosher Rd.
- Ditch cleaning on several roads.

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- I would like to get Board approval to have Dave Romieser do some cleanup and maintenance work at the Wilder Cemetery. Weed eating is needed and a fair amount of fence repair is in order.

Dave has done some repair and maintenance work at the Covell Cemetery on Hicks Rd. and is interested in providing the same at the Wilder Cemetery. We have already met at Wilder and looked over the work required.

The Highway Department will assist with the split rail fence repairs.

Supt. Wight said he would like to have David Romeiser work at Wilder Cemetery maybe twice per month keeping the cemetery kept-up. The fence line also needs to be repaired with fallen trees.

Councilman Cowley said he is in favor of hiring someone to maintain that cemetery.

Supt. Wight said the fence was installed years ago by Shamrock Fence out of Wayland and since then, rails have split, trees have fallen on the fence, etc. It needs maintenance. It would be weed-eating the property and keeping the fence line clean.

Supr. Marshall said his only issue is that he needs to have insurance otherwise he would have to be hired as an employee. Supr. Marshall said he would look into the requirements for this.

On a motion made by Councilman Cowley and seconded by Councilman Strickland, the Highway Report for May 2024 was ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

FINANCE

No Report.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE/PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM

Supr. Marshall said that the Board did hold a Special Meeting, passed a Permissive Referendum for the purpose of purchasing 6364 State Rout 64. The Referendum ends next week and hasn't seen any effort towards the Referendum which would require a full vote. We can continue to move forward. The Referendum included language that gives the Supervisor permission to sign the purchase offer and move on. The price is \$55,000.00 for the property, 3.5 acres.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION – JUDGE WILLIAM J. WELCH

Supr. Marshall noted that Town Justice, William Welch, is retiring as of June 16th. We would like to create a Resolution of Appreciation. Supr. Marshall read the Resolution.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Fuller and seconded by Councilman Wohlschlegel Resolution No. 34-2024 was ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION NO. 34-2024

HONORABLE WILLIAM J. WELCH

WHEREAS, On January 1, 2003, William (Bill) J. Welch was appointed by the South Bristol Town Board to serve as a member of the Planning Board; and on January 1, 2009,

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William J. Welch was elected by the residents of South Bristol to the position of Town Justice; and

WHEREAS, a personal responsibility rests on the Planning Board members to provide direction and guidance to Town officials, residents, and developers when making decisions that could potentially impact the current and future quality of life in the Town of South Bristol; and

WHEREAS, the highest level of responsibility and integrity rests on the Town Justice to faithfully serve the Town of South Bristol in a dedicated and professional manner in the fulfillment of his duties; and

WHEREAS, he has earned the admiration of those with whom he came into contact and the respect of his fellow public servants, who are proud to call him friend; and

WHEREAS, Bill discharged his duties as a member of the Planning Board from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2012, and 16 years as the Town Justice, from January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Bristol Town Board, on behalf of the residents of South Bristol, extends its sincere appreciation to William J. Welch for his dedicated years of service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution, suitably embossed with the Town Seal, be presented to William J. Welch.

TRANSFER STATION

New Sticker for Residents – Discussion of “Gatekeeper” Position

Supr. Marshall we now have Transfer Station stickers for residents to put on the windshield of their car so we can verify that they are local residents. The sticker would be issued by the Town Clerk. Supr. Marshall asked for suggestions as to where to place the sticker.

Supt. Wight suggested on a vent window on the side of a car or on the windshield near the registration.

Supr. Marshall said he would like to standardize the placement.

Supt. Wight said it is printed everywhere, the use of that facility is for Town Residents only and we don't really enforce it. We need to make sure that the people getting transfer station tickets are actual residents. There are about 350 people that use the Transfer Station on a regular basis, about 10% of that are not residents. It is an effort all the time, every weekend I am down there, to keep the place clean and if they don't know somebody, question them. There are signs printed all across the entrance, now stickers, you should have to show residency.

Councilman Strickland said he'd like to see a big sign right on the building as everybody is coming in.

Supt. Wight said there are lots of signs.

Supr. Marshall said he would like to discuss possible eliminating at some point the need for the Town Hall to be open on Saturday morning. Having someone working at the Transfer Station selling the tickets, determining if they are residents, that would require a building to work out of near the gate. If they have a sticker on their car, they can drive right in.

Supt. Wight said the traffic would be backed up right down Middlebrook Road. It's also going to cost more money to staff.

Supr. Marshall agreed and the other point is that it is a service we provide to the Residents.

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Councilwoman Fuller noted that if you look at the number of truckloads are going out every week, I would assume if we are monitoring it, we are cutting back 10%. That's less garbage to move especially if is bigger items and recycling items. Potentially it could be less.

Supt. Wight said, for example, for the last 2-3 years we've had a CD dumpster inside and a CD dumpster outside, plus an overflow dumpster. Every weekend Supt. Wight said he is in there crushing the CD dumpsters down because they are full to make more room. It is just an uptick in garbage, that is the reason for the stickers, making sure it is only residents using the transfer station.

Supr. Marshall said we need to do a study or survey just to see what the cost would be to have another person there that would be replacement to the Deputy Town Clerk on Saturday morning. We wouldn't be paying the Deputy Clerk for Saturday morning but paying someone to work at the Transfer Station.

Supt. Wight said to hold off on all of these thoughts and see how the stickers roll out.

Discussion.

Councilman Strickland said one more thing about the sign, I know there are 2 signs out there, nobody sees them when they drive in. A sign right on the building where everybody comes in for the recyclables, a sign big enough that says "No Sticker, No Dump." So when Same or Mike get confronted by that they can just walk that individual up and point to the sign. Don't need any authority past that. It is a simple thing.

Supr. Marshall said he should spend a Saturday at the dump to see what is going on.

Supt. Wight agreed, just spend ½ hour people watching, a lot goes on.

Supr. Marshall said he spoke today with members of the Bristol Harbor Homeowner's Board about the communications with Bristol Waterworks hydrant issues. The Town Attorney had sent them a letter stating that our records show that water was to be supplied for fire protection services and have since issued a FOIL for all the information. It is a long process but we are standing firmly that fire suppression is obligated.

Councilman Wohlschlegel asked, wasn't there a fire at Bristol Harbor recently and how was it put out?

Supr. Marshall said he has had two conversations with the Fire Chief and fortunately there was adequate water in their tanker truck.

Councilman Wohlschlegel asked if there are fire hydrants located near the condos or do the condos have a sprinkler system?

Supr. Marshall said there are hydrants on Cliffside, there are hydrants all throughout the entire property. The condos do not have sprinkler systems.

Councilman Wohlschlegel asked, the hydrants don't work, right?

Supr. Marshall said the hydrants work but you can't rely upon them to have the adequate flow for fire protection.

Councilman Wohlschlegel was wondering if they use the hydrants and you would think if you were the owner you'd want that and think about this very seriously. This could have turned out to be a lot worse.

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REPORTS
ASSESSOR

Supr. Marshall read the Assessor's Report.

On a motion made by Councilman Cowley and seconded by Councilman Strickland, the Assessor's Report for May 2024 ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

CEO

Councilman Cowley read the CEO Report.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Fuller and seconded by Councilman Wohlschlegel the CEO Reports for May 2024 were ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTION

Supr. Marshall read the Town Clerk's Report.

On a motion made by Councilman Cowley and seconded by Councilman Strickland, the May 2024 Town Clerk's Report was ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

IX. ACCOUNTING:
SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supr. Marshall read the Executive Summary for May 31, 2024 the Town has \$4,025,924.00 in the bank. Receipts for the month of May were \$25,234.00, and of that, \$11,178.00 in interest. Expenditures through May should average 41.65% of the annual budget, the A Fund is at 34% and the DA Fund is at 22.18%.

Supr. Marshall asked Supt Wight if any new trucks are scheduled soon?

Supt. Wight said yes, the truck came into Tracey Road Equipment and needs to be built up and we won't see it for another 9 months. That's how far behind they are putting trucks together.

On a motion made by Councilwoman Fuller and seconded by Councilman Strickland the May 2024 Supervisor's Report was ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Supr. Marshall noted that Excellus Blue Cross has notified the Town about a rate increase request of 25% for 2025.

On a motion made by Councilman Wohlschlegel and seconded by Councilman Strickland, Abstract of Vouchers, totaling \$58,466.33 was ACCEPTED. Voting AYE: 5. Voting NAY: 0. Voting AYE: Marshall, Strickland, Cowley, Fuller and Wohlschlegel.

X. ADJOURN: 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted:

Judy Voss
South Bristol Town Clerk