

## **Regular Town Board Meeting May 26, 2015**

Supervisor Votra opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 10:35 AM.

**Roll Call:** Supervisor Votra, Councilwoman Robinson, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilman Sweeney, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire

**Others Present:** Gary Snell Jr., Jerry Hayes, Darin Saiff (PHCS), Jacki DeGraw

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 28, 2015 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

*All in favor.*

### **Privilege of the Floor:**

Jerry Hayes asked what the right of way distance is from the center line of the road to the front of his home. Highway Superintendent Remington responded Mr. Hayes should contact the St. Lawrence County Highway Department since it is a County Road and it would be different than a Town Road. Mr. Hayes indicated he would like to remove the sidewalk in disrepair in front of his home. Supervisor Votra stated he sees no problem in Mr. Hayes doing so since that is the end of the sidewalk on that street.

### **CEO Report:**

CEO and Assessor Ferguson is absent from today's meeting due to the meeting of the Grievance Board downstairs this morning.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the written CEO report as submitted and to be filed with the Town Clerk.

*All in favor.*

### **Assessor's Report:**

Councilwoman Tremper wished to make a comment to the residents of the Town of Parishville regarding the annual assessment process. Councilwoman Tremper informed all in attendance that the Town Board has no control over what the Assessor decides for assessment values. If there is a problem with what a resident feels is fair, it should be brought to the Grievance Board if a settlement cannot be made with the assessor. There was much discussion about the Sole Appointed Assessor position versus three elected assessors, the possible need to hire an outside company to assess all parcels at once and the Code Enforcement Officer also serving as the Assessor.

**Water District Report:**

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported the water tank has been inspected. The initial inspection seemed to go well and Mr. Woods is awaiting the final written report. A new hydrant is being installed on County Route 47 due to damage caused by an auto accident. The cost of this should be covered by the motorist's auto policy. Mr. Woods reported the final count of water freeze ups over the winter is 47 individual residences and 3 water mains. The Water Quality report has been completed and can be found online at the Town's website: [parishvillenys.usö](http://parishvillenys.usö). There is also a copy on the bulletin boards at the Parishville Post Office and Town Hall.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to accept the Water District report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods.

*All in favor.*

**Recreation Report:**

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported the Park opened Memorial Day weekend. Mr. Woods reported lots of clean up needs to be done as well as plenty of projects that need to be completed. The Town owned cemeteries were mowed in time for Memorial Day and Mr. Woods submitted the list of applicants to the Town Board for the Summer Program.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to allow Superintendent of Public Works Woods hire from the list of applicants submitted as he sees fit.

*All in favor.*

Supervisor Votra advised Mr. Woods that he has spoken with the Parishville AMVETs and they have volunteered to build the new lifeguard stand. Grant money was obtained for this project with the agreement the Town of Parishville will provide matching funds.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the Recreation report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods.

*All in favor.*

**Recreation Committee Report:**

Councilwoman Tremper reported plans are going forward with the Parishville Park Day on July 25, 2015. There will be a U10 Soccer Tournament, Family Fun Mud Run and a Family Kickball Tournament. The Parishville AMVETs are helping with the rental of the 3 Bounce Houses that will be used that day also.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the Recreation Committee Report as given by Councilwoman Tremper.

*All in favor.*

**Business:**

1. The bid that was submitted for the line striping on the parking lot across from the Town Hall has been awarded to B & C Driveway Sealing from Malone, NY as per Town Engineer John Carr.
2. Larry Page, Transfer Station Attendant, submitted an updated price list for furniture items to be approved by the Town Board. This change reflects the changes in items being brought to the Transfer Station and the size of the items. *A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve the changes to the pricing breakdown on furniture and other large items as submitted by Mr. Page.  
*All in favor.*
3. The annual Water District Meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2015 @ 6 PM.
4. The annual mandatory Safety Meeting for Town Employees will be held immediately following the regular Town Board Meeting on June 23, 2015.
5. Sign off sheets have been given to all employees that are required to be offered the Hepatitis B vaccinations.

**Correspondence Received**

1. Letter from Fort Drum Regional Liaison Organization- reporting on their March meeting
2. Letter from Potsdam Public Library reporting the number of Town of Parishville residents patronizing their facility.

**Highway Report:**

Highway Superintendent Remington reported paving will be done this week on the Russell Turnpike Road, Rt 72/Pumpkin Hill Road, George Street and the Old Potsdam Parishville Roads. Highway Superintendent Remington reported that D. Phillips has done a great job dealing with all the mechanical breakdowns experienced at the Highway Department lately.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Remington.

*All in favor.*

**Bills:**

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the bills as follows and the Town Clerk Report as filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

1. Payrolls

Payroll #19 - 04/25/15 (General-\$2,853.58, Highway-\$7,734.00, Water-\$372.39)

Payroll #20 - 05/02/15 (General-\$9,244.36, Highway-\$7,734.00, Water-\$643.66)

Payroll #20B-05/02/15 (General-\$719.31, Water-\$113.03)

Payroll #21 - 05/09/15 (General-\$3,268.03, Highway-\$7,734.00, Water-\$372.39)

Payroll #22 - 05/16/15 (General-\$7,592.77, Highway-\$7,734.00, Water-\$419.53)

2. General Account Bills: \$16,549.69

3. Highway Account Bills: \$6,825.73

4. Water Account Bills: \$489.28

*All in favor.*

**Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:**

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 AM.

*All in favor.*

**Meeting Dates:**

**July 28, 2015 @ 6PM**

**Next Audit Date: Auditors:** Councilwoman Tremper and Councilman Cook

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Connie Maguire  
Town Clerk