

Regular Town Board Meeting February 25, 2014

Deputy Supervisor Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Roll Call: Councilwoman Robinson, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilman Votra, Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer Ferguson, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire

Absent: Supervisor Moore

Others Present: Elbridge E. Randall, Tim Randall, Elmer J Randall, Joe McGill, Town Engineer John Carr, Gary P. Snell, Art Wilson, Milt DeGraw, Victor Barbosa (Courier Observer), Larry Page, Lester Gale

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to go into Executive Session at 10:01 AM to discuss a personnel issue.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to leave Executive Session at 10:12 AM.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Votra to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 28, 2014 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

CEO Report:

CEO Ferguson submitted his monthly written report and asked for questions.

Councilman Votra requested the property address be included in Mr. Ferguson's monthly report. CEO Ferguson agreed to do so going forward.

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

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor Ferguson reported his work is finishing for the year. All data reported from his office to the Real Property Office is due by March 1st. There are a few areas in the township that remain to be updated in the next few years. The advantages of being both CEO and Assessor were discussed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the Assessor's report as given by Assessor Ferguson.

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported a quiet month with no problems at the water plant and no freeze ups so far. The reports due to the Department of Health have been completed and submitted.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook 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 a very busy month at the ice rink. Councilwoman Tremper reported that she has had a number of young adults in the community who have expressed interest in helping at the park and or ice rink with ideas and solutions to problems or concerns that may occur. One such issue is the lack of lighting at the ice rink. Ms. Tremper would like to form a Recreation Committee to help with ideas, labor and fund raising. Councilwoman Tremper thanked Mr. Woods for working to put water down on the rink the week of the school break even though he was out sick at the time.

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

All in favor.

Business:

1. Town Engineer John Carr reported the bid documents are complete with the bid specs and it is ready to be advertised. The pre-bid walk through will be March 6, 2014, bids are due and will be opened on March 18, 2014 and the winning bid should be decided on March 25, 2014 at the regular board meeting. The condemnation of the old highway garage was discussed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to condemn the old highway garage on State Highway 72.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to put the asbestos removal and demolition of the old highway garage on State Highway 72 out to bid.

All in favor.

2. Deputy Supervisor Robinson reported that the sales tax for the last quarter was a little above what was anticipated which is a good thing for the town.
3. The Blue Way Corridor was briefly discussed.
4. There will be a Planning Board meeting on March 4, 2014 to consider applications for gravel pits for Timothy Randall, Richard Randall and Roger, Michael and Melissa Cook. There was brief discussion on these pits.
5. Deputy Supervisor Robinson reported the vehicle stickers have been received and will go on sale immediately for \$1 each to be sold to Town of Parishville tax payers. The target date for stickers to be purchased and placed on the vehicles is May 1, 2014. Councilman Votra requested Mr. Page at the Transfer Station be given an updated taxpayer list for his use. Councilwoman Tremper stated that she will put together a letter to be sent to all taxpayers explaining the use of the

stickers and any other issues at the Transfer Station. Town Clerk Maguire invited all the department heads to give her any news and it will be included in a newsletter to be mailed out by the end of March.

6. Deputy Supervisor Robinson stated there were no letters of interest received for appointment to the Board of Assessment Review Board. Milton DeGraw volunteered to be on this board.

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Robinson and seconded by Councilman Votra to appoint Milton DeGraw to the Board of Assessment Review. Mr. DeGraw will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Charles Ferguson and will fill the remainder of Mr. Ferguson's term which expires on 09/30/2015.

7. A motion was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilman Cook to appoint Sherry Remington to the vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals created by the failure of Michael Jones to sign the Oath of Office within 30 days of his appointment. Mrs. Remington will also keep her position as Secretary to the Zoning Board.

All in favor.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported a busy month, and he also reported the amount of sand and salt is close to what was used last year overall. The Highway Department is almost out of wood and is looking forward to warmer weather.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Remington.

All in favor.

Bills:

A motion was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the bills as follows:

1. General Account Bills - \$20,386.38
2. Highway Account Bills - \$26,399.30
3. Water Account Bills - \$1,123.77

Payrolls:

General: 01/30/14 (\$3,628.76), 01/31/14 (\$3,922.26), 02/06/14 (\$3,632.56), 02/13/14 (\$3,536.58), 02/14/14 (\$4,964.45), 02/20/14 (\$3,536.59)

Highway: 01/30/14 (\$13,209.41), 02/06/14 (\$12,759.51), 02/13/14 (\$10,866.51), 02/20/14 (\$11,036.21)

All in favor.

Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:

Deputy Supervisor Robinson announced that Supervisor Moore has turned in a written resignation effective February 28, 2014. There will be a meeting on Monday March 03, 2014 at 10:00 AM to appoint a new Supervisor to complete the 2014 calendar year.

Councilman Cook reported he wrote a letter to the newspaper asking for UTVs to be allowed on the Stone Valley Trail to provide for elderly and disabled persons to enjoy this trail. This was discussed among the board and the Parishville ATV Club President Art Wilson.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to adjourn the meeting at 10:57 AM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

Special Meeting- March 03, 2014 @ 10:00 AM

Regular Board Meeting: March 25, 2014 @ 10:00 AM

Next Audit Date: Auditors: Councilwoman Tremper and Councilman Cook

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk