Regular Town Board Meeting December 29, 2015

Supervisor Votra opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 10:00 AM.

Roll Call: Supervisor Votra, Councilwoman Robinson, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilman Sweeney, Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer McGill, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire

Others Present: Elbridge E. Randall, Yvonne Cook, Brooke Reid (PHCS), Milt DeGraw, Larry Page, Lester Gale, Deb Christy

A motion was made by Supervisor Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on November 24, 2015 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Milt DeGraw asked how the work at the park was progressing and when it would be finished. Highway Superintendent Remington answered the work would be completed tomorrow and the equipment would be moving out this week.

Deb Christy thanked the Town Board for their continued effort and support of the opening of more roads in the Town of Parishville for ATV use.

Code Enforcement Report:

Code Enforcement Office McGill reported a slower month for new construction, but his office has received a few calls with questions and/or complaints about rental properties. There are concerns with the heating season upon us and the house fires in the area lately. Councilman Cook asked if landlords are required to get inspections between tenants. Mr. McGill answered it is something that is required but not everyone is aware of this law. *A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the written Code Enforcement Report as submitted and to be filed with the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor McGill reported he is still keeping busy reviewing the assessments on the properties within the township.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the Assessorøs report as given by Assessor McGill.

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Supervisor Votra stated Mr. Woods was busy plowing the sidewalks and hydrants and would not be attending the meeting today. There is nothing new to report on the Water District with everything running as normal.

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported the new water fountain/water bottle fill station is in place and the skate sharpener is being refurbished. There are 2 õRock n Skateö events scheduled for the upcoming months weather permitting. The work being done at the park will allow for a full size soccer field and 2 new softball/baseball fields.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to accept the Recreation Committee Report as given by Councilwoman Tremper.

All in favor.

Business:

- 1. A letter of resignation from the Board of Assessment was received from Assessor Joseph McGill. He is unable to hold both positions.
 - A motion was made by Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept Joseph McGilløs resignation from the Board of Assessment Review. All in favor.
 - The Town Clerk will advertise this vacancy so it may be filled at the next Town Board meeting.
- 2. Supervisor Votra informed the Town Board the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department has asked if the Town of Parishville would like to join the Countywide Health District. This was discussed.
 - *A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and Councilwoman Robinson to contract with our current Health Officer as in the previous years.
 - All in favor.
- 3. Supervisor Votra asked the Town Board to consider meeting dates and times for the 2016 year. It was decided to leave the schedule the way it was in 2016 with the meetings in January, April, July and October be held at 6 PM and the other months will be at 10 AM. The schedule will be posted at the Town Hall and the Post Office as well as updated on the website.

Correspondence:

- 1. Letter received from SLC Youth Bureau- õThe Musicalityö received the Karin P. Martin Award.
- **2.** \$2,500 grant from St. Lawrence County was received for the youth program. Superintendent Woods successfully applied for this grant.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported the signs are in place by the gorge bridge as requested last month. The new loader arrived this week. Supervisor Votra complimented Highway Superintendent Remington for his hard work and diligence in getting great deals on equipment. This new loader retails for over \$134,000 and we were able to obtain it with the trade in for \$4,636.83. This keeps our equipment new and costs

less for repair and maintenance. Highway Superintendent Remington reported the gravel from the park will be approximately 40,000 yards and the cost will be less than half of what it would cost if we purchased it. The weather has held out so the project could be completed.

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

All in favor.

Bills:

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

- 1. General Account Bills ó \$19,317.06
- 2. Highway Account Bills ó \$3,543.83
- 3. Water District No. 1 Bills \$819.27
- 4. Supervisorøs Report ó Payrolls #51 thru #55
 - -Payroll # 51 (General \$ 7,403.76, Highway \$ 6,766.88, Water \$ 467.06)
 - -Payroll # 52 (General \$ 3,057.11, Highway \$ 6,766.88, Water \$ 520.67)
 - -Payroll#52A (General \$ 6,837.40, Highway \$ 6,766.88, Water \$ 527.29)
 - -Payroll # 53 (General \$ 3,670.02, Highway \$ 6,766.88, Water \$ 303.16)
 - -Payroll # 54 (General \$ 7,552.28, Highway \$ 7,165.65, Water \$ 647.35)
 - -Payroll # 55 (General \$ 4,114.37, Highway \$ 7,543.37, Water \$ 1,198.44)

General Fund Transfers:

Transfer from: 1990.4 - \$150.00 **Transfer to:** 5182.4 - \$150.00

Transfer from: 1990.4- \$2,700.00 **Transfer to**: 5132.4- \$2,700.00

Transfer from: 1990.4 - \$300.00 **Transfer to**: 1355.4 - \$300.00

All in favor.

Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:

Councilman Cook inquired about adding another section of road to the proposed Local Law 01-2016. Supervisor Votra advised that the legal work has been completed for this law and the addition can be added to the next section of roads to be added at a later date.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 AM. *All in favor*.

Meeting Dates:

January 7, 2016-10 AM- Public Hearing for Local Law 01-2016

January 7, 2016- Organizational Meeting

(immediately following the Public Hearing)-

Next Audit Date: January 26, 2016

Auditors: Councilwoman Robinson and Councilman Sweeney

Connie Maguire Town Clerk