

Regular Town Board Meeting February 24, 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 Ferguson, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire

Others Present: Art Wilson, Charles Schlaer, Gary Snell Jr., Joseph McGill, Victor Barbosa (Daily Courier Observer), Bob Phillips, Darin Saiff (PHCS), Lester Gale, Bob Martin

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 27, 2015 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Supervisor Votra read a letter of report from Legislator Rick Perkins. Mr. Perkins reported a busy month full of meetings and filling vacant positions within the County that had been recently vacated. The search continues for a County Administrator.

The County Legislators also approved a resolution to amend Local Law to approve All-Terrain Vehicle operation on certain public lands and County roads.

Art Wilson, Parishville ATV Club President reported the County parcels that have been opened to All Terrain Vehicle operation include parcels in Brasher, Parishville and Stockholm.

CEO Report:

CEO Ferguson reported a quiet month with the cold winter weather. There are a few new construction projects that will be taking place when the weather improves and a possible restaurant may be in the works as well.

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

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor Ferguson reported he has busy getting the tax rolls ready to finalize. All STAR applications and property changes are due by March 1st and then the tax roll will be taken to the Real Property Office in Canton to be finalized.

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

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods was absent today due to the extremely busy month with lots of water freeze ups in the last week. The entire water system itself is working well with freeze ups in areas that have not experienced problems in the past. Supervisor Votra stated there will be a special meeting in the spring with the Water Board to make plans for the future and decide what preventative measures may be needed by next winter.

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported an extremely busy skating season this year. Councilwoman has received a call from a resident who would like an official soccer net. She will look into this and it will be discussed at their next Recreation Committee meeting next week. Councilwoman discussed the need for a raft for the beach and other water front equipment so all the needs/wants will be prioritized at future meetings. Supervisor Votra expressed concern over the enforcement and signage for the rink rules. There have been a few issues and they will need to be addressed.

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

All in favor.

Business:

1. The number of members needed on the Planning Board was discussed. At the present time, it is a board of 7 with only 6 serving at this time. Planning Board Chairman Wilhelm has contacted the St. Lawrence County Planning Board and was told it was up to the Town to decide what number they would like.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to require the Parishville Planning Board to have 5 members on the Planning Board effective when the 6th member is done serving their term or resigns.

All in favor.

2. Supervisor Votra advised everyone the annual Rabies Clinic will be on April 23, 2015 at the Parishville Fire Station from 6 pm- 7 pm.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported heavier use than usual of road salt this year. Highway Superintendent Remington reported lots of breakdown this year which is keeping the department very busy with repairs. The condition of State Route 72 was discussed at length. The heaving near Parishville Center is especially bad. It is a major concern that the condition of the road will cause accidents or injury. Supervisor Votra will reach out to the NYS Highway Department to see if he can get a solution to the problem.

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 Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the Town Clerk Report as submitted and filed and the bills and Transfers as follows:

1. General Account Bills ó \$82,413.12
2. Highway Account Bills ó \$21,996.97
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$462.57
4. Payrolls: #5 (01/24/2015 - \$20,683.07), #6 (01/31/2015 - \$ 16,186.04), #7 (02/07/2015 - \$24,084.58), #7A (02/07/2015 - \$201.36), #8 (02/14/2015 - \$19,508.86)

5. Transfers: (For End of Year 2014)

From: SW8340.1 (Water Admin. Personal Service)- \$6,900.00
To: SW8310.1 (Water Trans./Dist. Personal Service)- \$6,900.00

From: A1010.1 (Town Board Personal Service)- \$100.00
To: A1220.1 (Supervisor Personal Service)- \$100.00

From: A1410.1 (Town Clerk Personal Service)- \$285.00
To: A1330.1 (Tax Collector Personal Service)- \$285.00

From: A7020.1 (Recreation Personal Service)- \$7,100.00
To: A1340.1- (Budget Officer Personal Service)- \$7,100.00

From: A1010.1 (Town Board Personal Service)- \$1.00
To: A1355.1 (Assessor Personal Service)- \$1.00

From: A1010.1 (Town Board Personal Service)- \$1.00
To: A3510.1 (Dog Control Personal Service)- \$1.00

From: A3620.1 (Safety Inspection Personal Service)- \$1,180.00
To: A5010.1 (Highway Superintendent Personal Service)- \$1,180.00

From: A1410.1 (Town Clerk Personal Service)- \$1,380.00
To: A7510.1 (Historian Personal Service)- \$1,380.00

From: A7110.1 (Park Personal Service)- \$1,480.00
To: A8160.1 (Transfer Station Personal Service)- \$1,480.00

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Cook to move into Executive Session at 10:27 AM to discuss a particular employee.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to move out of Executive Session at 10:48 AM.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 AM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

April 28, 2015 @ 6 PM

Next Audit Date: Auditors: Councilman Cook and Councilwoman Tremper

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk