

Regular Town Board Meeting February 23, 2016

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, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire

Others Present: Elbridge E. Randall, Gary Snell Jr., Madeline Pennington, David Richardson

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 26, 2016 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Councilman Cook expressed concern about the trees along the side of the Dugway on State Route 72 that shade the roadway which makes snow and ice more difficult to remove. This was discussed and Councilman Cook offered to contact the New York State Highway Department to see what can be done.

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

Code Enforcement Officer McGill reported a busy month in his office. CEO McGill will be attending the annual conference in Lake Placid next week which will provide more of his required training.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the written Code Enforcement Officer report as submitted and to be filed with the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor McGill reported a busy month with reminder phone calls to residents who have not submitted their STAR applications. Assessor McGill is keeping busy with his two year reassessment project as well.

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

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported a different year than last with the mild winter months. No freeze ups have been experienced so far.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney 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 ice rink has had lots of use this month with no major problems reported.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the Recreation report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods. *All in favor.*

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported as indicated last month the Recreation Committee has joined forces with the Youth Sports program. There will be a meeting on March 14th and anyone interested is invited to attend. This meeting should merge the two groups with officers being chosen and committees being formed.

Councilwoman Tremper reported there was a small problem at the rink regarding the use of foam pucks and the division of the ice during ½ hockey and ½ free skate time. This has been addressed and solved.

Councilwoman Tremper also mentioned she has been approached about extending the Summer Recreation program by one week. This was discussed and suggested this request should have been formally made before the 2016 budget was set and approved. There will be no change to the program this year but will be looked at for 2017. The approximate cost for one week of the program is \$6,500.

The Rock n' Skate event at the ice rink this past week was well attended.

The new fields at the park were discussed.

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

Business:

1. The May meeting will be moved to May 31, 2016 at 10:00 due to the conflict with Grievance Day.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported that Parishville Hopkinton Central School would like to borrow a truck and a driver to move top soil to the school. This was discussed with no opposition from any of the Board members.

Highway Superintendent Remington informed the Board the 2008 plow truck is due to be traded in 2017. He has had an offer to sell this truck after next month for \$50,000 which would be a far better deal than a trade would be on a new truck. A new truck is approximately \$183,500. This was discussed and:

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the sale of the 2004 plow truck for \$50,000 with this money to be put toward the purchase of a new truck budgeted in 2017 according to the Highway Five Year Plan.

All in favor.

There was much discussion on the park project and the top soil that will be needed. Councilman Sweeney spoke out against using top soil obtained from the roadside due to the amount of glass and debris that could cause injury. Highway Superintendent Remington and Councilmen Cook and Sweeney will look into what the best option will be for the needed top soil.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney 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 as follows:

1. General Account Bills ó \$38,850.12
2. Highway Account Bills ó \$19,520.32
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$313.37
4. Payrolls:
 - #4 - (General \$ 8,613.58, Highway \$ 10,811.11, Water \$ 424.72)
 - #5 - (General \$ 4,033.43, Highway \$ 9,857.89, Water \$ 489.35)
 - #6 - (General \$ 7,910.84, Highway \$ 9,110.68, Water \$ 400.33)
 - #7 - (General \$ 3,821.03, Highway \$ 11,766.59, Water \$ 209.96)
 - #8 - (General \$ 8,047.23, Highway \$ 12,546.03, Water \$ 415.49)

All in favor.

Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:

Elbridge E Randall inquired about chipping the trees and brush on the sides of the road that was cut after the recent ice storm. Highway Superintendent Remington answered this would be taken care of when weather and time permits.

Councilwoman Tremper said she was asked by the Recreation Committee to ask about preplanning with the Waterfront Director for the activities scheduled for the Summer Program. Superintendent of Public Works Woods indicated that would not be a problem.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 AM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates: March 22, 2016 @ 10:00 AM

Next Audit Date: Auditors: Councilwoman Robinson and Councilman Sweeney

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk