

Regular Town Board Meeting May 31, 2016

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

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

Absent: Councilwoman Robinson

Others Present: Elbridge E. Randall, Jenny Briot (Iberdrola Renewables), Dan Murdie (Iberdrola Renewables), Yvonne Cook, Madeline Pennington, Rachel Martin, Luke Martin, Jacki DeGraw

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

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Joe McGill gave a brief report as Town Historian. Flowers and a spruce tree have been planted at the Museum. Toby Zenger donated some cedar lumber and has offered to help build a raised flower bed to the left of the driveway at the Museum. The Town Highway Department has offered to fill in the old well that is not in use at the Museum which is much appreciated. Handrails have been added to the front steps and the much needed maintenance to the outside of the building was discussed. Mr. McGill stated he would like to see the building insulated and heated to prevent damage to the building and the contents.

Iberdrola Renewables

Jenny Briot and Dan Murdie addressed the Town Board and all in attendance on behalf of Iberdrola Renewables. Construction of three more towers are being proposed to continue the environmental and wind studies that were begun in 2011 in the towns of Parishville and Hopkinton. Iberdrola will be hosting an informational meeting at the Parishville Town Hall on June 15th at 6:30 PM. This meeting is open to the public and all interested residents of Parishville and Hopkinton are invited to attend.

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

Code Enforcement Officer McGill reported a busy month with 28 permits issued so far this year. There have been no permits issued for new homes yet this year.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney 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 Grievance Day was last week and went well. He was quite busy with extra office hours this month to answer questions on assessments. Lots of field work has been completed on his reval project and Assessor McGill feels he is still on schedule.

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

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported he has been working with Kunoco on the water leak on their property. They have hired a contractor to take care of this problem. The water tank on George Street has developed a small leak. The repair company has been contacted and will be onsite to repair it this week. The tank will not have to be drained to repair the small leak along the seam.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper 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 officially opened yesterday on Memorial Day. The beach opens on June 10th with hours from 9 AM to 8 PM through the summer. Baseball will be finishing this week as summer soccer starts this week. The Parishville Amvets Post 265 has been working on building the new badly needed lifeguard stand. New ropes and buoys will be put in place this week and the nature trail has been rerouted due to the excavation done for the new fields. The topsoil is being trucked by the Highway Department this week for the new field and the spring cleanup and mowing has been done on the town owned cemeteries. Superintendent of Public Works Woods submitted his list of new employees for the summer to the Town Board. There will be a meeting with all the summer help this week and drug testing has been scheduled for next week. Training classes for the new help will be scheduled along with CPR updates for those that need it.

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

All in favor.

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported the travel youth soccer program starts soon for ages 12 and up. There are no fields available for use at the Parishville Hopkinton Central School this summer which will make scheduling at the Park very difficult this season. Parishville Park Day will still be July 23rd and would like to have extra Park employees available for that day as in the past.

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 proposed Casella contract was discussed.
A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to approve the proposed Five Year Contract with Casella starting on July 1, 2016.
All in favor.
2. The Transfer Station was discussed. The locks will be changed at the Transfer Station and brush pit which is standard procedure when personnel changes have been made in any Town department. It was also discussed that no one should be allowed in the Transfer Station when the Transfer Station Attendant is not there due to liability issues.
3. Supervisor Votra advised the Board the 1st Quarter Sales tax check was received from St. Lawrence County for 2016 and it was down from \$145,000 to \$128,000.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported the paving has been completed on the Joe Indian Pond Road. The pavement prices are lower than last year. Gravel has been put on the dirt roads and the shoulder work needs to be completed. The top soil project for the athletic fields at the park has been started. The plow truck has been put on the Auctions International website with the hope it will sell at a reasonable price. Supervisor Votra thanked Highway Superintendent Remington for the work and effort done by the Highway Department for the construction of the new athletic fields at the Park.
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 Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the bills as follows:

1. General Account Bills: \$15,259.54
2. Highway Account Bills: \$64,536.55
3. Water Account Bills: \$706.83
4. Payrolls:
 - #19 ó (General - \$ 3,700.53, Highway - \$ 7,188.38, Water - \$ 358.97)
 - #20 ó (General - \$ 8,310.81, Highway - \$ 6,688.08, Water - \$ 399.30)
 - #21 ó (General - \$ 4,130.01, Highway - \$ 6,960.97, Water - \$ 358.97)
 - #22 ó (General - \$ 8,510.04, Highway - \$ 6,688.08, Water - \$ 472.00)

All in favor.

Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:

The Transfer Station was discussed again. Councilwoman Tremper said she was open to looking at changing the hours of the Transfer Station if needed. This was tabled for now. Councilwoman Tremper reported PARC would be sponsoring free lunches for the Parishville Day Camp attendees. Volunteers will be needed to transport and monitor the lunches. More information will be available at next month's meeting.

Luke Martin advocated for the need of a "Landowner's Committee" to address the wind tower concerns. Supervisor Votra and Councilwoman Tremper suggested the upcoming meeting could be used by the residents to get the interested landowners together.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 AM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

June 28, 2016 @ 10:00 AM

Next Audit Date: Auditors: Councilwoman Tremper and Councilman Cook

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk