

**Regular Town Board Meeting  
February 28, 2017**

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:** D. Rice, Gary Snell Jr., Madeline Pennington, Milton DeGraw, Jeff Snell, Connie Vitale, Kelly Pullano, Elbridge E. Randall, John Courtney III, Luke Dailey, Fred Wilhelm, Nancy Horan, Mary Witherell, Lori Witherell, Douglas Witherell, Susan Wood, Ellen White

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 24, 2017 as submitted by the Town Clerk. *All in favor.*

**Privilege of the Floor:**

Many members of the audience spoke in regards to the proposed wind tower project. The concerns expressed were the need for further setbacks for the towers, health and mental issues have been reported in areas with towers, landowners that are not lease holders with the wind company have no choice but be surrounded by the towers they do not want, wind farms should be regulated for safety as other structures regulated by the building codes. Members in attendance urged the Town Board to implement a One Year Moratorium for the proposed wind project. Supervisor Votra stated that he will be meeting with the Planning Board Chairman and the Town Attorney next week to discuss the wisdom of the Moratorium. Supervisor Votra commended the Concerned Citizens Group for the hard work and research that has been done. He encouraged anyone who has recommendations for language to be used in the Wind Law that is in progress to contact the Town Clerk or the Planning Board.

Luke Dailey distributed a packet of information to the Town Board and Jeff Snell thanked the Town and Planning Boards for their efforts and hard work listening to and working for the good of all the residents.

Gary Snell Jr., thanked the Highway Department for taking care of the garbage that was dumped in the West Parishville area.

**Code Enforcement Officer Report:**

Code Enforcement Officer McGill reported a busier month due to the nicer weather. Next week he will be attending training in Lake Placid which will fulfill his training requirements to this date.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook 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 that tomorrow is Taxable Status Day which means all changes and STAR applications must be received to be sure the information is correct on future tax bills. He has made calls to the Enhanced STAR residents to be sure their information is in by tomorrow. The reassessment project is moving along and he has found lots of useful information using the Pictometry Program which aids with boundary lines and unreported structures.

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

*All in favor.*

**Water District Report:**

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported a quiet month with regular maintenance and no water freeze ups reported so far. He is looking into replacing the defective concrete floor at the water plant and drilling a new well to be used as back up for the water supply in case of an emergency.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson 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 was open for 33 days this season with it being closed now with the unusual mild weather. The Zamboni was used 23 times this year and park reservations are starting to come in for the upcoming summer season. Spring cleanup at the park should be starting soon and the baseball fields should be ready for use this spring. The dugouts will hopefully be completed as well with plenty of volunteers ready to help.

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

*All in favor.*

**PARC Report:**

Councilwoman Tremper reported funding was received from the People Project. A new food truck/trailer has been purchased and will be outfitted soon. This should be ready to use for the spring baseball season. There were two Rock n Skates held this year with one being successful due to the unusually warm weather. \$1,000 was raised which included a large donation from the People Project. The Committee is working on plans to help with the new fields at the park and are looking into ideas for new subjects to be taught at the summer program this year. Baseball signups should start next week with baseball starting soon with the travel league.

*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. *A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to reappoint Elbridge E. Randall for a five year term on the Board of Assessment Review. This term expires on September 30, 2021.

*All in favor.*

**Highway Report:**

Highway Superintendent Remington reported lots of repairs are being done to equipment with the break in the weather. Road patching is being done and roadside cleanup has also been started.

*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 Robinson and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the bills as follows:

General Account Bills ó \$ 58,059.59

Highway Account Bills ó \$34,119.06

Water District No. 1 Bills - \$473.41

Payrolls:

Payroll #05 - 01/28/17 (General - \$3,570.56, Highway - \$13,591.99, Water - \$292.99)

Payroll #06 - 02/04/17 (General - \$8,854.66, Highway - \$11,152.30, Water - \$293.77)

Payroll #07 - 02/11/17 (General - \$3,903.62, Highway - \$13,825.43, Water - \$216.26)

Payroll #08 - 02/18/17 (General - \$8,693.38, Highway - \$14,107.78, Water - \$460.15)

*All in favor.*

**Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:**

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to Move forward with a one year moratorium, for further review of the Land Use and Development Plan regarding Industrial Wind Farms by the Town of Parishville Planning Board based upon such issues as new technology, health, safety, review of various other studies and benefits/detriments to the community, unless the Attorney for the Town õstrongly opposesö doing so in his best representation of the Town.

*All in favor.*

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

*All in favor.*

**Meeting Dates:**

**March 10, 2017 @ 6:00 PM**

**March 28, 2017 @ 10:00 AM**

**Next Audit Date: March 28, 2017**

**Auditors:** Councilwoman Robinson and Councilman Sweeney

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Connie Maguire  
Town Clerk

