

Regular Town Board Meeting
April 27, 2021

Supervisor Votra opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5 PM.

Roll Call: Supervisor Votra, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilman Sweeney, Councilman Demo, Highway Superintendent Hart, Town Clerk Maguire
Others Present: Joseph R. McGill, Mary Witherell, Martha Landon, Lori Witherell, Wayne Akley

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on March 24, 2021 as submitted by the Town Clerk.
All in favor.

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

Code Enforcement Burl reported the annual Uniform Code, Administration and Enforcement Report was submitted to New York State as required and was accepted. CEO Burl has received a complaint on a septic system and he will be investigating this week.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the Code Enforcement Officer report as submitted by Code Enforcement Officer Burl and to be kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.
All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor Burl reported the Assessor's Office has been busy trying to get the tentative tax roll completed. Assessor Burl stated that he will be sitting with the tentative tax roll 4 times in the next 2 weeks so landowners may come in and talk to him before the Board of Assessment Review meets on May 26th.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the Assessor's report as given by Assessor Burl.
All in favor.

Water District Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported that the last month has gone well with DANC taking over the water district testing and maintenance. Ryan Jacot will be the one responsible for water shut offs and restoration of services with DANC handling all other water emergencies. Water supplies and equipment will be moved from the Park so they are accessible to DANC when needed. Highway Superintendent Hart offered to store some water department supplies at the Highway garage temporarily until other arrangements are made.

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the Water District report as given by Councilwoman Tremper.
All in favor.

Recreation Report:

Ryan Jacot reported everything is going well so far and that he and his staff are getting ready for opening on Memorial Day. There is a lot of cleanup with raking and mowing and getting the picnic areas all set.

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the Recreation report as given by Ryan Jacot.

All in favor.

Business:

1. *A motion* was made to approve the Public Employer Health Emergency Plan for the Town of Parishville. This plan is on file with the Supervisor, Town Clerk and Highway Superintendent to be implemented in the event there is another health emergency such as the COVID 19 pandemic in 2020.

All in favor

2. *A motion* was made to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 03-2021
OF THE TOWN OF PARISHVILLE**

WHEREAS, the Town has recently learned that it is entitled and will receive an unanticipated and additional One Hundred Sixty -five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$165,000.00) of funding pursuant to the New York State Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (hereinafter to as "CHIPS") for road and highway improvements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the CHIPS program aforesaid, the Town must first expend that sum from other resources prior to being reimbursed therefor by the State of New York;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the sum of One Hundred Sixty-five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$165,000.00) from the Town's General Fund to the Town's Highway Fund in order that the Town Superintendent of Highways may expend same in accomplishing and completing the improvements to the town roads and highways as intended; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the Town's receipt of the One Hundred Sixty-five Thousand and 11/100 (\$165,000.00) of reimbursement funding from the State of New York, the Town Supervisor is directed to deposit same into the Town's General Fund thereby reimbursing the Town's General Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town of Parishville, New York's 2021 budget be and the same hereby is amended to reflect the above.

- Supervisor Votra- Aye**
 - Councilman Cook- Aye**
 - Councilman Demo- Aye**
 - Councilman Sweeney- Aye**
 - Councilwoman Tremper- Aye**
- Resolution Adopted.**

3. Supervisor Votra gave an update on O'Neil Memorial project next to the Riverwalk. The gazebo is scheduled to be delivered in June to July. Joe Snell is working with the gazebo builder to get the details worked out. The pad where it will be settled needs to be worked on, but Supervisor Votra is waiting for permission from the DEC because of the proximity of the water. The piece of sandstone is in place waiting for a something to be engraved. Joe McGill and Tom Demo are working on that project.

Correspondence:-None

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Hart reported that as the Resolution 03-2021 stated, there is more CHIPS money coming in than anticipated and he will be using this to add more paving for the summer. There are plans to pave the Allens Falls Road, West Parishville Road, Lenney Road and the Catherinesville Road which will be close to 5 miles of paving. The Highway crew has been stripping shoulders and getting ready for paving Highway Superintendent Hart stated that he received a letter from a resident requesting payment for repairs to his car when he hit a pot hole on the Old Potsdam Parishville Road. The car is a 2010 and the damage was to the struts and tie rod ends. The board informally discussed it with input from the people in attendance. It was decided that to pay for one car would be to open it up for everyone claiming their vehicle was damaged. It has not been practice in the past to do this and will not be done for this situation either. *A motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Council to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Hart. *All in favor.*

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported that someone has been hired for the Recreation program (Day camp). This person is very experienced with the program and is also a teacher. A Waterfront Director has been hired that has lots of experience with the Parishville program. They are both working hard to get the summer program up and running for this summer, dependent on regulations that will be coming from the lawmakers in Albany. Councilwoman Tremper has been in communication with the school and it looks like there will be a summer program at school in the morning and then the kids would be bussed to the beach for the swimming program. T-ball and youth baseball has started with about 45 kids enrolled. *A motion* was made by Council and seconded by Councilman Demo to accept the Recreation Committee report as given by Councilwoman Tremper.

Bills:

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

1. General Account Bills – \$33,197.28

2. Highway Account Bills – \$15,538.72
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$374.96

4. Payrolls:

- Payroll #13 - 03/27/21 (General \$3,173.66, Highway \$10,374.81, Water \$92.11)
- Payroll #14 - 04/03/21 (General \$3,173.66, Highway \$8,458.88, Water \$182.31)
- Payroll #15 - 04/10/21 (General \$9,447.17, Highway \$8,458.88, Water \$478.24)
- Payroll #16 - 04/17/21 (General \$4,680.65, Highway \$7,897.64, Water \$170.22)
- Payroll #17 - 04/24/21 (General \$8,875.26, Highway \$7,043.54, Water \$1,246.35)

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Lori Witherell thanked the board for opening the meetings back up to the public. Mrs. Witherell stated that she wished the Town Board would consider updating the Solar Law since there have been so many changes in the last year. She passed out a copy of a letter pointing out her concerns. Mrs. Witherell also reported that there are still active lease holders for the AvanGrid wind project which is concerning. Supervisor Votra asked for a copy of those lease holders. Supervisor Votra stated that the Planning Board has had a meeting and numerous email exchanges on this subject. They have also discussed this with the Town Attorney and the County Planning Board. Mrs. Witherell expressed her interest in talking to the Planning Board and Supervisor Votra said he would contact Planning Board Chairman Fred Wilhelm to let him know of her interest.

A *motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 PM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

May 25, 2021 @ 5 PM

Auditors: Councilman Sweeney and Councilman Demo

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk