

Regular Town Board Meeting August 27, 2019

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: Lester Gale, Michael Tremper, Eric Alan, Beth Rosenbarker, Milt DeGraw, Madeline Pennington, Barbara McBurnie, Lori Witherell, Bill Collins (PHCS), Joe McGill, Elbridge E. Randall

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Demo to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on July 30, 2019 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

PHCS:

Dr. Collins reported that the teachers will start back to school this week and the students will start next Tuesday. The After-School Program is scheduled to start on September 16th. He gave updates on the progress of work being done at the school to improve safety and save energy. October 4th there will be a mock crash for the new drivers and a grant was received to purchase 43 bike helmets. New programs are being looked into and the academic calendar has been aligned with Colton -Pierrepoint to allow sharing a few positions. Plans are being made to have a Back to School Program that will help students in need. The two new school busses are in and Dr. Collins is looking forward to a great year. There was concern expressed about the sidewalk over the bridge being closed due to painting and repairs being done. The construction crew is hopeful it will only be for two more weeks.

Business:

1. Madeline Pennington and Barbara McBurnie representing the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) presented the Town Board with a Proclamation declaring the week of September 17 to September 23 American Constitution Week. Supervisor Votra read this proclamation aloud for all in attendance. Mrs. Pennington presented each Board member with a copy of the Constitution of the United States and a pamphlet about the Daughters of the American Revolution Organization.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney adopting the Proclamation as indicated:

Whereas: The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law; and

Whereas: September 17, 2019, marks the two hundred thirty second anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

Whereas: It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it: and

Whereas: Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designation September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

Now, Therefore I, Rodney Votra by virtue of the authority vested in me as Supervisor of the Town of Parishville do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

All in favor.

Proclamation Adopted.

2. Solar Project Engineer, Mike Tremper, gave his opinion regarding the 3 bids that were received for the solar project on the Rutman Road. 2 bids were within the scope of the project and 1 was outside of the scope. Apex Solar was within the scope and had the better cost per wattage. Councilman Cook asked about using only American made parts. Mr. Tremper advised that will be one of the details that will be worked out in the design phase when/if the project gets underway.

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to award the bid to Apex Solar as recommended by Engineer Mike Tremper for the Solar project on the Rutman Road.

All in favor.

3. ***A motion*** was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to allow the Parishville Town Court to apply for the 2019-2020 Justice Court Assistance Program grant up to \$30,000.00.

All in favor.

Correspondence:

1. KAS-pricing for asbestos survey of Burdett property

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

Councilman Cook inquired about the mowing issue that was discussed on a property on State Route 72. Supervisor Votra advised that he will discuss this with Code Enforcement Officer Burl and report back.

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

A *motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Burl and to be kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

All in favor.

Water District Report:

A *motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Demo to accept the Water District report as submitted by Superintendent of Public Works Woods and to be kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

All in favor.

Recreation Report:

A *motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Demo to accept the Recreation report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods and to be kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

All in favor.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Hart reported the paving on the Joe Indian Road is complete. The Pumpkin Hill Road is being prepped with new culverts and shoulders to be ready for work on that road next year. Highway Superintendent stated he received an estimate for \$400 to remove a tree at the Town owned cemetery as directed. The estimate included mats for the equipment to be driven on to avoid damaging stones or monuments.

A *motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to approve Wolf Tree Service to remove the tree as needed in the Riverview Cemetery for the amount of \$400.00

All in favor.

A *motion* was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Hart.

All in favor.

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported a quiet month with PARC. Eric Alan has been obtained to set up a website for PARC to make information more accessible and registrations easier. The Committee bought a storage building to put at the Park to store their equipment and gear. The summer soccer program was a success and basketball will be gearing up soon. Councilman Cook inquired about using the first field inside the park for JV baseball. Councilwoman Tremper said she will investigate what is needed and try to work toward that goal.

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

All in favor.

Bills:

A motion was made by Council and seconded by Council to accept the bills as follows:

1. General Account Bills – \$19,386.39
2. Highway Account Bills – \$61,963.99
3. Water District No.1 Bills – \$216.49
4. Payrolls:
 - Payroll #32 –08/03/19 (General \$10,704.47, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$223.29)
 - Payroll #33 –08/10/19 (General \$14,886.37, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$537.34)
 - Payroll #34 – 08/17/19 (General \$5,850.06, Highway \$7,332.23, Water \$304.77)
 - Payroll #35 – 08/24/19(General \$10,200.25, Highway \$7,274.81, Water \$484.59)

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Councilman Cook asked about mowing the overgrown weeds and grass along the fence near the bridge on Route 72. It was discussed that New York State DOT does not allow the Town to maintain the area on the water side of the fence. Councilman Cook will draft a letter to NYS DOT to ask for this to be taken care of.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 PM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

September 24, 2019

Auditors: Councilman Sweeney and Councilman Demo

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk