Regular Town Board Meeting July 30, 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 E. Gale, Madeline Pennington, Deb Rust, Vickie French, Joseph R. McGill, Elbridge E. Randall, Will Daily, Beth Rosenbarker, Luke M. Martin, James Bullard, Michael Tremper, Doug Witherell, Lori Witherell

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on June 25, 2019 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Business:

a. A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to reappoint Sherry Remington to a Five-Year Term on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

All in favor.

b. There were 3 bids received by the Town Clerk for the proposed Solar Project. Bids were received from Apex Solar, Solar Liberty and BQ Energy. Supervisor Votra opened each bid and gave them to Michael Tremper, to review. A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to have Mr. Tremper review the bids and report at next month's meeting, with what each bid proposes.

All in favor.

c. Supervisor Votra reported he is waiting for KAS Consulting from Plattsburgh to inspect the Burdett property for asbestos before it can be demolished. Highway Superintendent Hart has volunteered to help with the demolition of the building.

Correspondence:

1. Report- "Project the Adirondacks"

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

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

Assessor's Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to approve the Assessor's Report as submitted by Assessor David Burl and kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

All in favor.

Water District Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve the Water District Report as submitted by Superintendent Jeff Woods and kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office. *All in favor*.

Park/Recreation Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve the Park/Recreation Report as submitted by Superintendent Jeff Woods and kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office. *All in favor*.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Hart reported his department has been busy stripping shoulders and getting ready for next year's paving projects. There is enough money left in the Highway Budget to repair and pave a small section near the Joe Indian Pond Road that has been a problem for quite some time. Mr. Hart reported that there was another accident at the intersection of the Wildwood Road and the French Hill Road. There are discussions about making this a 3 way stop. The Town is waiting to hear from the Town Attorney on how to proceed with this.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook 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 that summer soccer is progressing well. The AMVETs Post 265 generously donate \$1,000 to the Youth Summer Soccer Program which PARC is extremely grateful for.

PARC is requesting permission from the Town to set up their food truck in the downtown area during the Garage Sale weekend. Also, the girl's JV Program would like to set up a bake sale in the downtown area as well. Supervisor Votra indicated that typically the downtown area is free for anyone to use during this weekend and permission is not needed.

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

Bills:

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

- 1. General Account Bills: \$21,620.49
- 2. Highway Account Bills: \$67,289.05
- 3. Water Account Bills: \$450.75
- 4. Payrolls:

#27- 06/29/19 (General \$6,974.12, Highway \$7,378.76, Water \$654.13) #28- 07/06/19 (General \$10,982.93, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$358.92) #29- 07/13/19 (General \$11,968.19, Highway \$7,528.52, Water \$223.29) #30- 07/20/19 (General \$7,217.28, Water \$404.14) #31- 07/27/19 General \$11,214.41, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$371.55)

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Supervisor Votra asked if there were any questions and comments. None were offered.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 PM. *All in favor*.

James Bullard came forward and asked to be heard. Mr. Bullard is upset that a large maple tree was cut by the Highway Department on his property without permission. Highway Superintendent Hart stated that he was contacted by Elbridge E Randall, who said he owned the property, to cut the tree down because it was rotten and was in danger of falling across the road and or power lines. Highway Superintendent Hart stated that the tree was in the Town's right of way for the road. The tree was determined to be rotten and needed to be removed. There is a right of way for Mr. Randall across this property and there seems to be some dispute on the actual boundary line and the Right of Way. Mr. Bullard will get a report from an expert regarding the removal of this tree and this will be addressed at next month's meeting.

Meeting Dates: Next Meeting- August 27, 2019 @ 5 PM Auditors: Councilman Sweeney and Councilman Demo

Connie Maguire Town Clerk