

## **Regular Town Board Meeting March 26, 2013**

Supervisor Moore called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

**Roll Call:** Supervisor Moore, Councilwoman Robinson, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Votra, Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer Ferguson, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire  
**Absent:** Councilman Cook

**Others Present:** Larry Page, Town Engineer, John Carr, Legislator Scott Sutherland, SLC Trail Coordinator Deb Christy, Milton DeGraw, Brian Page, Rob Phippen

Supervisor Moore opened the meeting by acknowledging that Transfer Station Attendant Richard Moulton has been very ill and will be retiring. He also stated that Councilman Cook is also very ill. Supervisor Moore said that all our thoughts are with them and wishes them both the best and a very speed recovery.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 26, 2013 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

*All in favor.*

### **CEO Report:**

CEO Ferguson asked if there were any questions or comments on his written report that was submitted. There were none offered. Robert Phippen spoke and said that he has spoken with a representative from the APA about the ongoing problem near his property. This was discussed and Town Attorney Linden will be contacted to get advice on how to proceed with this matter.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to accept the CEO report as submitted and to be filed with the Town Clerk.

*All in favor.*

### **Assessor's Report:**

Assessor Ferguson reported the tax roll has been submitted to the County for the year.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to accept the Assessor's report as given by Assessor Ferguson.

*All in favor.*

### **Water District Report:**

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported the water system has been working without problems this month, with nothing new to report.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Votra 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 paperwork has been completed for the application for a grant from the St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau. A check for the awarded grant from the Health Initiative was received and the new playground equipment has been ordered locally and should be here the first week of May. There was an Easter egg hunt at the Parishville Park with approximately 1,000 eggs hidden. This was very well attended. Baseball will be starting soon as soon as the weather breaks.

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

*All in favor.*

**Privilege of the Floor:**

St. Lawrence County Trail Coordinator Deb Christy reported to the Board that the St. Lawrence County Multiuse trail will be opening this year. The eastern portion will be opening by July and the western portion by August if all goes as planned. The middle section will be last because of some issues that the State is working on and should be open next spring. Once the trail is open, there will be 200 miles of the corridor trail connecting from Franklin County to Lewis County. After the main corridor is open, there will be work to be done to connect communities to the trail that are not connected now. Ms. Christy said the maps are available on the St. Lawrence County website under the SEQR information.

Milt DeGraw from the Parishville Planning Board, presented to the Town Board, a list of questions from the Planning Board that they will be considering at the Planning Board meeting on April 3 at 7:00 PM. Members of the Town Board expressed interest in attending this meeting.

Legislator Scott Sutherland expressed his thanks to the Town Board for their understanding and support in the proposed County sales tax increase. Mr. Sutherland discussed briefly the rates that are being charged by the St. Lawrence County Planning Board. Mr. Sutherland also said that the County will be selling some wood that has been cut and there is a parcel of land for sale. Interested persons may contact the County Forester at 379-3582. Mr. Sutherland also said that it looks like the CHIPS money for May will increase.

**Business:**

1. Town Engineer John Carr gave the latest update on the progress on the Town Hall renovation. The caulking and painting of the siding will be done as soon as the weather allows. The project cost so far is \$181,234 with \$108,130 having been paid. Mr. Carr presented a voucher for \$53,900 to be paid with Town Board approval this week.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to approve the voucher for \$53,900.00 to pay Harvey Excavation and Construction for work being done on the Town Hall renovation.

*All in favor.*

Mr. Carr discussed the outstanding proposal for the repair of the roof over the front porch and it was suggested to look into having the Highway Department do the work to save money. The change order for the ridge cap on the roof was discussed. Mr. Carr also reported that he will be putting together a sketch for the electrical improvement to the pumping station that is planned for spring.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to approve the change order for the installation of the ridge cap on the Town Hall roof.

*All in favor.*

2. Councilman Votra discussed the meetings that have taken place with the AMVETS to discuss the asbestos removal and the acquisition of the old Town Barn on State Route 72. It was discussed with Code Enforcement Ferguson to condemn the old highway building and put the property out to bid again with the advice of the Town Attorney. Milt DeGraw expressed the interest of the AMVETS to move forward with this project as soon as possible so they can turn lemons into lemonade to make the Town more attractive.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to move ahead with the bid process on the former highway garage upon approval of the Town Attorney.

*All in favor.*

3. *A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to set the second notice fee for the 2013 Town and County Tax Bills to \$2.00.

*All in favor.*

### **Highway Report:**

Highway Superintendent Remington reported the wood is cut for next year, the new truck and plow has been delivered and the plows are still on waiting for spring.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to pass the following resolution:

**Town of Parishville  
Resolution 03-2013  
Holding Harmless the County of St. Lawrence for  
Providing Service for the Town of Parishville**

**Whereas**, the Town of Parishville is desirous of St. Lawrence County Department of Highways providing shared services such as paving, should widening, signage, road stripping, blasting and other routine maintenance activities to the Town, and

**Whereas**, both the Town of Parishville and the County of St. Lawrence are desirous of promoting partnering efforts for safety of the traveling public in St. Lawrence County, and

**Whereas**, in this joint cooperative endeavor, the Town of Parishville and the County of St. Lawrence desires to be reimbursed for their expenditures, and

**Whereas**, the Town is aware that the County may incur liability in the providing of the services and wishes to indemnify the County in this regard,

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the Town of Parishville hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County of St. Lawrence from and against liability, loss, damage, claim or action resulting from the work performed by St. Lawrence County Department of highways. The Town of Parishville does not indemnify and hold harmless the County for any liability, loss, damage, claim or action which arises during the actual performance of services by the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways. Said St.

Lawrence County Department of Highways and the County of St. Lawrence assumes the liability for losses, damages and claims for the actual physical performance of the work, and

**Be it further resolved,** that the following request for General Liability (GL) coverage is as follows:

General Liability Insurance

On and "Occurrence" basis, with the following limits:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence

\$2, 000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Personal Injury

\$ 50,000 Fire Damage Legal Liability

\$ 5,000 Medical Payment Expense

**Be it further resolved,** that St. Lawrence County shall be an additional insured on the GL Policy, via ISO endorsement CG 2026.

***All in favor.***

***A motion*** was made by Councilwoman Robinson and Councilwoman Tremper to approve the 2013 Agreement to spend Highway Funds as filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

***All in favor.***

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

***All in favor.***

**Bills:**

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

1. General Account Bills - \$24,789.94
2. Highway Account Bills - \$90,324.75
3. Water Account Bills - \$24,807.12
4. Payment to Harvey Excavation Co. paid from TH/TB Renovations fund  
\$53,900.44
5. Payrolls:  
**General:** 02/27/13 (\$3,493.62), 02/28/13 (\$5,129.67), 03/07/13 (\$3,493.62),  
03/14/13 (\$3,493.62), 03/15/13 (\$3,873.32), 03/21/13 (\$3,493.62)  
**Highway:** 02/27/13 (\$10,593.42), 03/07/13 (\$11,381.44), 03/14/13 (\$9,055.78),  
03/21/13 (\$9,669.01)

***All in favor.***

**Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:**

Supervisor Moore reported that he received a letter from Amanda Mason stating that she was the recipient of a Silver Award from the Girl Scouts for her organization of the Musicality event at the Parishville Park this past fall. Mr. Moore said that he wished to publicly recognize her for her hard work and dedication on this project.

The replacement of the flooring in the offices of was discussed. There will be some extra money left over from the insurance after the necessary repairs are done to the interior of the Town Hall after the water damage suffered in February of this year. The options for flooring materials were discussed and decided that a more durable surface be used with

the final decision to be made by Town Clerk Maguire. Mrs. Maguire submitted a bid for ceramic tile installation from Brent Votra.

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to accept the bid from Brent Votra and to approve the installation of new flooring in the offices of the Town Hall not to exceed \$5,000.

Supervisor Moore- Aye

Councilwoman Tremper- Aye

Councilwoman Robinson- Aye

Councilman Votra- Abstained

*Motion passed.*

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 AM.

*All in favor.*

**Meeting Dates:**

Next **Audit** Date April 23, 2013 Auditors: Councilwoman Tremper

Councilman Cook

**Regular Board Meeting Date:** April 23, 2013 ó 10:00 A.M.

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Connie Maguire  
Town Clerk