

Regular Town Board Meeting May 25, 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: Mary Witherell, Martha Landon, Wayne Akley, Elbridge E. Randall, Joseph R. McGill, Doug & Lori Witherell, Legislator Rick Perkins

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on April 27, 2021 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Legislator Report:

Legislator Rick Perkins gave an update on what happened at the last meeting of the St. Lawrence County Legislators. Resolutions were passed and job vacancies were filled. A Public Hearing was scheduled for a proposed law that would allow 12- and 13-year-old licensed hunters to hunt deer with a firearm or crossbow during hunting season with supervision of an adult licensed hunter. Donations were received to implement additional K-9 units for the County. The construction on the Jones Road bridge will start June 1st with a completion estimate of mid-October. A trail permit to use the St. Lawrence County Multiuse ATV trail is available to purchase online on the County website starting on June 1st. "Protect the Adirondacks" is going to make trail maintenance difficult in the future. There has been some restructuring at the County Attorney's office to include social services which will help get the over 300 children in protective care back with family. All County employees are back to work onsite.

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

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

The Assessor Report for May was tabled until next month.

Water District Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported there have been no issues reported with the water system. Steve Dulmage from DANC has been named the operator of record with the New York State Department of Health. Tisdell Associates are moving forward with the plans for the backup well for the water system.

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

All in favor.

Recreation Report:

Ryan Jacot reported all is going well at the park with it opening this week. Danger trees have been removed by Asplundh Tree Service. All properties are being mowed and the town owned cemeteries will be done by this weekend. (Memorial Day)

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.

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported that baseball and softball programs are underway at the park with no word on summer soccer. Tyler Gallagher is starting a summer program at school that will run July 7th for 5 weeks. The Parishville Summer Program will start on July 7th for 5 weeks. The school will run their summer program at the same time and lunches will be provided for those that want it.

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

Business:

1. Thank you to the Parishville Hilltopper's for donating 6 hanging baskets that have been placed at the Town Hall and the museum.

Correspondence:

1. DEC-Jurisdictional Determination on gazebo project near the river. The DEC said there is no need to get permits and to continue with the project.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Hart reported the department has been busy paving for other towns and changing culvert pipes. There was an accident involving the Highway garage and one of the trucks last month with no injuries. Highway Superintendent Hart is trying to get quotes to submit to the insurance. Sidewalk work is planned for August with County Route 47 being addressed first. Councilwoman Tremper asked if the sidewalk could be extended to the Rutman Road for the athletes that walk to the Fireman's Field for practices and/or games. This will be investigated by Mr. Hart.

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

All in favor.

Bills:

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

1. General Account Bills – \$19,094.59
2. Highway Account Bills – \$6,026.08
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$1,624.46
4. Payrolls:
 - Payroll #18 - 05/01/21 (General \$4,782.91, Highway \$8,061.73, Water \$172.01)
 - Payroll #19 - 05/08/21 (General \$10,241.87, Highway \$8,089.17, Water \$226.74)
 - Payroll #20 - 05/15/21 (General \$4,813.86, Highway \$7,940.64, Water \$170.22)
 - Payroll #21 - 05/22/21 (General \$9,594.63, Highway \$9,580.44, Water \$172.01)

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Lori Witherell has a new publication with new regulations that she will drop off at the Town Hall to be distributed.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Cook to move into Executive Session to discuss a particular employee at 5:24 PM.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Demo and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to leave Executive Session at 5:45 PM.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Demo to adjourn the board meeting at 5:45 PM.

All in favor.

Meeting Date:

June 22, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Auditors: Councilwoman Tremper and Councilman Cook

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk