

Regular Town Board Meeting October 22, 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, Jahn Hitchens, Robert White, Elbridge E. Randall, Joan Randall, Jennifer Sisto, Frank Sisto, Gloria Sweeney, Doug Witherell, Lori Witherell, Bill Collins (PHCS)

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Sweeney to accept the minutes of the regular meetings on August 27, 2019 and September 26, 2019 and the Budget meeting on October 8, 2019 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

PHCS:

Dr. Collins gave some updates from the school. The building project is moving along. The phone system has been updated and the boiler system will be up and running soon. The boy's and girl's soccer teams are doing well this year, with both teams moving on to the playoffs.

Code Enforcement Officer Report:

Tabled until next month.

Assessor's Report:

Tabled until next month.

Water District Report:

Councilwoman Tremper read the submitted Water District Report aloud to those in attendance

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

Councilwoman Tremper read the submitted Recreation Report aloud to those in attendance. Councilwoman Tremper stated she would like to work with Superintendent of Public Works Woods on a Five-Year Plan to upgrade the rink to utilize the donated materials from Clarkson. She would also like to have a Five-Year Plan to work on the baseball fields to try to accommodate as many teams as possible.

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

Recreation Committee Report:

Councilwoman Tremper reported nothing much is going on with PARC right now. They will be working with the new Athletic Director at the school to get the Bidy Basketball program up and running. The new website for PARC will hopefully be up by the end of next month. PARC is working with the school trying to get registrations out in a more timely manner.

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. Budget meeting on November 5, 2019 @ 5 PM

Correspondence:

1. Volunteer Transportation Center Inc.- possible presentation to the Town Board
2. NYS Dept. of Health- Annual Water District Report

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Hart reported his department is getting ready for winter and dealing with problems created by the beaver population. Highway Superintendent Hart reported he received a petition from some residents on Rosenbarker Road requesting a Stop sign on that road. After meeting with the St. Lawrence County Highway Superintendent, Mr. Hart placed a Yield sign at the intersection and a Bus Turn Around sign there as well.

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.

Bills:

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

1. General Account Bills: \$13,499.88
2. Highway Account Bills: \$18,825.95
3. Water Account Bills: \$280.70
4. **Payrolls:**
 - Payroll #40 – 09/28/19 (General \$4,017.53, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$304.77)
 - Payroll #41 – 10/05/19 (General \$3,985.50, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$356.86)
 - Payroll #42 – 10/12/19 (General \$9,134.25, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$576.05)
 - Payroll #43 – 10/19/19 (General \$4,627.10, Highway \$7,217.28, Water \$371.55)

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Jahn Hitchens addressed the Town Board on behalf of the residents on Rosenbarker Road who have requested a Stop sign be placed at the intersection on that road. He feels the road is unsafe since the road has been fixed and has become a speedway. He would like a Stop sign at the location where the Yield sign is now. Councilwoman Tremper stated that this is a private road and the residents have control over the signage on this road and it is

not the responsibility of the Town. Supervisor Votra suggested that the Yield sign should be removed by the Highway Department and let the residents work it out themselves. Mr. Hart is in agreement. Mr. Hitchens indicated that he would be contacting the individual that owns the road and try to get permission to put up a Stop sign where indicated. Much discussion ensued with no other decisions made.

Robert White addressed the Town Board and stated that he has been working on Rosenbarker Road since 1978 with no problems with that intersection until now. He stated that Highway Superintendent Hart did the right thing by trying to compromise with the Yield sign, but he agrees that it should be removed and let things stay as they have been.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweeney and seconded by Councilman Demo to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 PM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

November 5th- 5 PM- Budget Meeting

November 26, 2019- 5 PM Regular Meeting

Auditors: Councilman Sweeney and Councilman Demo

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk