

Regular Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parish Town Board held October 16th, 2014 in the Village Gym. Supervisor Stelmashuck called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Stephen Stelmashuck, Supervisor
John Dunham, Councilor
G. Richard Horning, Councilor
Carra Watson, Councilor
John Horning, Councilor
Kelly Reader, Town Clerk

Also Present: David Holst, Legislator; Greg Porter, Fire Chief; Rich Lopitz, Assessor; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Rep; George Korthas, Hwy Sup't; George Bennett, CEO/ZEO; Bob Genant, Town Attorney; Craig Petit, and Al VanSanford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Sept. Public Hearing: A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by G.R. Horning to approve the Minutes of the September Public Hearing as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

Sept. Regular Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Councilor G.R. Horning, seconded by Councilor Dunham to approve the Minutes of the Sept. Regular Meeting as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

Sept. Special Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Councilor Dunham, seconded by Councilor Watson to approve the Minutes of the Sept. Special Meeting as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS;

Supervisor's Financial Reports: The Supervisor's Financial Report for Sept. 2014 was reviewed by the Board and filed with the Clerk.

Revenue Reports: The Regular and Justice Reports for Sept, 2014 were reviewed by the Board and filed with the clerk.

November Calendar: Waived-Tabled until more information is obtained to finalize the calendar.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Community Affairs, Parks, Preservation and Recreation: Councilor Watson discussed mapping for Merrill Park for future grant opportunities. Discussion was held regarding the closing of Merrill Park for the season. The consensus of the Board was to close the park by Oct 1st, 2014 and the park gate by Nov 1st, 2014.

Hwy Sup't Korthas stated that he would work on getting the park winterized.

Financial Affairs: Councilor J. Horning stated that he did not have a report at this time.

General Government: Supervisor Stelmashuck reported that the Board is continuing to work on the Budget Process. National Grid has scheduled meetings in North Syracuse, New Hartford, Binghamton, and Albany on energy efficiency programs.

Infrastructure, Policy, and Public Facilities: Councilor G.R. Horning stated that the bridge is still out on Crim Road until the end of October. He and Hwy Sup't Korthas met with Stewart Brown and David Poore from APW to discuss plowing procedures for early dismissals this winter.

Task Force: Waived.

Water Committee: Councilor Dunham stated that he and Doug Miller need to schedule a roundtable meeting with the Towns of Hastings, Mexico, Richland, and OCWA.

Engineering Services: Report was incorporated with the Water Committee Report.

REPORTS:

Legislator's Reports: Legislator Holst stated that the county has decided not to close the Transfer Stations. However, each transfer station will be closed two days a week and the days will be staggered.

The county has entered into an agreement with Solar City for Solar Power. Solar City will be constructed by Bristol Hill and the solar power supplied is estimated to save the county \$300,000. The county has agreed to furnish the access road.

There will be a small increase with the county budget.

It was the consensus of the Town Board to schedule a meeting with county officials, Mr. Jarvis, and the Town Board to discuss the issues with St. Mary's/Valley Gate Road.

Hwy Sup't Report: Hwy Sup't Korthas reported on the following Highway issues: Major Repairs and Improvements on equipment.

Completed upgrades.

Park

Future Bldg Repairs.

County Hwy is working on the Crim Road Bridge and the road will be closed until late October.

Dry Hydrant has been ordered.

Town Road Winter Maintenance.

Future Work.

Parks: Scheduling closing and winterization this week.

Administration: 1. 2015 Budget Year

2. School Meeting with APW Transportation

3. Working on next billing for Chips

Clerk's Report: Clerk Reader gave the Clerk's Report and Dog Report for Sept., 2014.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Lopitz gave the Assessor's Report for Sept, 2014.

The average rebate check for reimbursement for the Star Program is around \$6.00.

If your school district stays under the State Property Tax Cap of 2% then you will receive a rebate check.

CEO/ZEO Report: CEO/ZEO Bennett gave the ZEO/CEO Report for September, 2014. CEO Bennett asked if the W9 and banking information has been provided to NYCERTA so they can cut the Town's check.

Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that Bookkeeper Burns will take care of it.

The Sign Moratorium status was discussed. Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that the Town Board has given their recommendations to the Planning Board for review. The moratorium should be discussed at the October Meeting.

CEO Bennett discussed adding a fee for generators if the system is greater than a 12 Kilowatt System for \$50.00. Currently, there is no fee in place.

A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by Councilor Watson to adjust the Fee Schedule to add a \$50.00 permit fee to provide a fee for a Generator PV System greater than 12 Kilowatts as suggested by CEO Bennett. Roll taken...motion carried.

DCO Report: No report at this time.

Planning Board Chair Report: Sept. Minutes were submitted by Lynn Wood, Planning Board Clerk.

Fire Chief's Report: Fire Chief Porter gave the Fire Report for Sept, 2014. October is the Fire Company's Annual Boot Drive.

Tug Hill Circuit Rider's Report: Paul Baxter stated that Tug Hill held a Strategic Plan Meeting on Sept., 30th. The purpose of the meeting was to update Tug Hill's Strategic

plan for the next five years. Paul thanked Supervisor Stelmashuck for attending. Paul will get the Towns' 2014 Budget Salary Comparison Sheet. The next Salmon Rivers Council Meeting will be scheduled in mid November after the Town's Budget process. The Town's Website is up to date.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNIATIONS & PETITIONS:

Letter from Salvation Army.

American Legion's Veteran's Celebration will be held on Nov. 11, 2014 @ 11:00 am.

OLD BUSINESS:

Halloween Parade & Festival: Tabled until more information can be obtained.

Hwy Sup't Korthas stated that he will be meeting with Alishia Mahar to discuss the street closings.

Opening of Fuel Bids: The Board received one bid from Mirabito Energy Products.

A motion was made by Councilor Dunham, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to accept the bid from Mirabito Energy Products for heating the Highway Garage for the 2015 Heating Season for \$2.5648/gallon for the term of the contract. January 1, 2015-December 31, 2015. Roll taken...motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fill BAR Vacancy: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to appoint Lisa Carr to the BAR term to begin 10/1/2014 and to expire on 9/30/2019. Roll taken...motion carried.

Advertise ZBA Vacancy: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to advertise for the vacancy on the ZBA for the term to expire on 12/31/2014. The position is currently held by Tom Olmsted. Roll taken...motion carried.

Advertise PL Brd Vacancy: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to advertise for the vacancy on the Parish Joint Planning Board for the term to expire on 12/31/2014. The position is currently held by Fred Swartz. Roll taken...motion carried.

Both officials have been notified regarding their upcoming term expirations and to encourage them to reapply for reappointment if they have a continued interest.

Set Budget Public Hearing: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to set a Public Hearing for November 6th, 2014 at 2938 E. Main Street, Parish, NY in the Village Gym beginning at 6:30 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to approve the claims to the General Fund, those being claims #317 to #341 for a total warrant of \$3,558.60. Roll taken...motion carried.

Highway Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor G.R. Horning to approve the claims to the Highway Fund, those being claims #189 to #303 for a total warrant of \$20,559.91. Roll taken...motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to take a 5 minute recess at 7:29 p.m. and to enter into Executive Session to discuss possible litigation. Roll taken...motion carried.

The Board invited Clerk Reader, Attorney Genant and Assessor Lopitz to attend.

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to adjourn from Executive Session at 7:52 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Dunham to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Kelly Reader, Parish Town Clerk