

TOWN OF TOMPKINS  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
February 9, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Tompkins Town Board was called to order at 7:02 pm in the Town meeting room, Trout Creek, NY. With Brian Albanese leading in the Flag salute.

Present:

1. Howard Buttel – Councilperson
2. Peggy Backus – Councilperson
3. Brian Albanese - Councilperson
4. Tim LaTourette – Councilperson – Arrived at 8:15

Others:

1. Michelle Phoenix – Town Clerk
2. Nancy Roberts – Bookkeeper to the supervisor
3. Ronald VanValkenburg – Highway Superintendent

**Guest Speakers: None**

**Minutes Approval:**

On motion by Albanese, seconded by Backus, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting, Board of Health, Annual Reorganizational, and Audit of books held on January 12, 2015, With the date correction on the Board of Health, Annual Reorganizational and Audit of books to be January 12, 2015

Vote: All AYES - Motion Carried.

**Monthly Financial Reports:**

**Town Clerk:**

On motion by Backus, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to receive, approve and place on file the Town Clerk/Tax collector monthly report for January 2015.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Town Clerk advised the board that all Tax moneys owed to the Town for 2015 Audit has been turned over to the Supervisor.

**Supervisor's Report:**

On motion by Backus, seconded by Albanese, it was moved to approve and place on file the supervisor's financial report labeled Annual Financial Audit, dated 2/9/2015 as January monthly report.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Nancy Roberts advised that the Annual Audit Report for 2014 has been filed with NYS Comptroller.

- Payroll Clerk will need to fix the TA200 Liability account
- The DA2680 Insurance funds were incorrectly listed in the General Fund report and funds should have been in the Highway fund report, said funds were correctly deposited in the Highway fund.

**Other Reports:**

**Planning Board** – Monthly reports for September, October and November provided for boards review.

**Assessor** –February's monthly report provided.

**Highway Superintendent**

1. Bids for Stone and pipe need to go out.
2. Received an additional Insurance check for the damage to the truck that caught on fire.
3. Discussed the alarm system
4. Been busy with a lot of plowing.
5. Grit pile is becoming low fast. It's going to take a lot to replace.
6. Questioned where the town stood with the Creamery purchase.
7. Ron wanted to make the board aware of that the replacement of a new plow truck and a 1ton will need to happen soon, Ron provided the Board with estimate costs.
8. Received a complaint about Detour Road not being plowed. Ron advised the property owners that it was a seasonal use road and was posted in the newspaper and is also posted on the road as such and that he could not plow the road.

**Dog Control Officer –**

1. None

**Supervisor**

1. We will not be receiving extra chips money for 2015

**Correspondence: -**

- Received a thank you letter from The American Legion – Gun Town Post 1554 thanking the Town for the donation of \$400
- Delaware Opportunities requested the Town Contribute to the Senior Dining Program – Board declined
- Delaware County Fair 5Krun/Walk and 10Krun requested the Town to donate \$100.00 – Town declined.

**Other –**

- Received \$600 donation from Padmasambhava Buddhist Center in lieu of taxes.
- Cathy Scofield from 4-H Camp Shankitunk asked if the Town is going to be paying for campers this year. The rates are same as last year \$265 for overnight camp, \$200 for day campers and for campers doing the CIT Program is \$325. Board stated it will again be paid for the same way it was done last year, The Town will pay for base fees (extra classes will have to be paid for by the camper) the campers name and fee will have to be submitted to the Town as Cathy gets the application and they will be approved or not approved at board meetings to ensure that the campers area full time resident from the Town of Tompkins.
- Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County invited Town Board members to a seminar being held on February 12, 2015 with the topic of discussion being Building more Active communities and a Complete Streets initiative.

**Sewer District**

On motion by Buttel, Seconded by LaTourette to approve the Abstract of Claims for February 9, 2015 for the sewer district in the amount of \$2392.07

Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

**Abstract of Claims**

On motion by Backus, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve the Abstract of Claims for February 9, 2015 as follows: General Fund: \$145122.32 Highway Fund: \$91847.65  
Vote: All AYEs - Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM

Next Meeting to be held on March 9, 2015 at 7pm

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Michelle Phoenix

Date: February 9, 2015

Town of Tompkins  
Town Clerk