

TOWN OF TOMPKINS
TOWN BOARD MEETING
June 8, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Tompkins Town Board was called to order at 7:00 pm in the Town meeting room, Trout Creek, NY. With Tim LaTourette leading in the Flag salute.

Present:

1. Howard Buttel – Councilperson
2. Peggy Backus – Councilperson
3. Brian Albanese - Councilperson
4. Tim LaTourette – Councilperson

Others:

1. Michelle Phoenix – Town Clerk
2. Nancy Roberts – Bookkeeper to the supervisor
3. Ronald VanValkenburg – Highway Superintendent
4. Wendy Layton – Assessor
5. Dean Frazier – Delaware County – Dept of watershed affairs
6. Molly Oliver – Delaware County – Dept of watershed affairs
7. Julia Lockwood – DCO

Guest Speakers:

Dean and Molly discussed with the Board the goals of the Upper Del. River Tail waters Coalition and the importance of the Town of Tompkins to join.

Opening of 1 Ton Truck Bids:

Bids Received

Robert Green Truck Division - \$38716

Eagle Auto Mall Sales - \$39638

Carbone Fleet – \$39436

On motion by Buttel, seconded by Layton to accept bid from Robert Green Truck Division in the amount of \$38716.00

Vote: All AYES – Motion carried.

Minutes Approval:

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held May 11, 2015

Vote: 4 AYES – Backus – Abstain. Motion Carried.

Monthly Financial Reports:

Abstract of Claims

On motion by Backus, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve the Abstract of Claims for June 8, 2015 as follows: General Fund: \$5287.94 Highway Fund: \$7375.06

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

- NOTE – Nancy had changed all vouchers numbers from the past 6 months to run consecutively

Town Clerk:

On motion by Buttell, seconded by Layton, it was moved to receive, approve and place on file the Town Clerk monthly report for May 2015.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report:

On motion by Albanese seconded by Backus, it was moved to approve and place on file the supervisor's financial report labeled Monthly Financial Audit, dated 6/8/2015 as May's monthly report.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Other Reports:

Planning Board – February, March and April 2015 provided for the boards review

Assessor – Provided

Highway Superintendent

1. Ron questions on the status of the fire alarms system at the shop. It was under Layton's understanding there was a contract signed with Fyre Fighter in Oneonta
2. All the pipes are done on the roads that will be re surfaced
3. Ditch work has been done and corrugated pipe has been put in driveways as they come along them
4. Work has been done on Readburn, Rock Rift, Chase Brook and Roods Creek
5. Some roads received cold patch
6. Dirt Roads have had liquid magnesium put on them
7. The crusher was supposed to move in today at the gravel bank and the owner contacted Ron and stated he was sorry that he was behind and stated due to the delay they would crush extra at no charge.
8. Ron states that he feels he does not need to go through the bid process to purchase a new 10 wheeler after checking with other road supervisors.
9. Executive session called at 8:57 – Ended at 9:20
10. Ron requested to hire someone to mow because he is short handed. Ron stated if the Town would pay more than \$10 an hour Al Negrin would be interested. On motion by Buttell to hire Al Negrin for part time mowing, 2nd by LaTourette. Vote: All AYES – Motion Carried.
11. This year Ron has hired Dylan Wood and Carolyn Butler as summer help, they will be starting in 2 Weeks.

Dog Control Officer –

Received numerous dog complaint calls – All resolved

Supervisor

1. Received in the mail Coalition of Watershed Town Ballot and noticed it has wrong names on it. Bill will contact them and request it get fixed and new Ballot be sent out.
2. The flood maps for the hamlet of Trout Creek have been revised and only one small building on the Kinney property is in the flood zone.
3. Bill again has tried to get Sam Rowe to set up a date for a meeting to discuss the transfer station and again has heard nothing back.
4. The money for the Stormwater Retrofit project has been received
5. Everything is all fixed with the insurance issue with Excellus
6. Efficiency report – to get the star for the Town we would need to show that expenses can be cut for 3 years. Bill and Nancy felt the Town does not need to do this.
- 7.

Correspondence: - NONE

Other –

1. DCO Position - Received 2 applications – Bill felt one of the applicants were no longer interested – Received an application from Julia Lockwood (Present). Julia is the ACO/DCO for many other Towns and has all the qualifications, after a short interview, a motion was made by LaTourette, Seconded by Albanese to hire Julia Lockwood, Vote – All AYES – Motion Carried.

Sewer District

On Motion by Layton, Seconded by Backus it was moved to approve the Trout Creek Sewer District Financial Report for the month of May 2015.
Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

On motion by Layton, Seconded by Buttell to approve the Abstract of Claims for June 8, 2015 for the sewer district in the amount of \$2357.40
Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

Monthly sewer district worker report – Provided

C. Kohler contacted Layton and Lamont and stated he felt he had water lines broke to the trailer out back due to the prior year sewer work. Lamont stated a line was cut but was fixed before work was completed. Lamont stated they would call CWC and see if they would fund to have a new line put in.

Generators maintenance has been done.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM

Next Meeting to be held on July 13, 2015 at 7pm

Michelle Phoenix

Date: June 8, 2015

Town of Tompkins
Town Clerk