

TOWN OF TOMPKINS
TOWN BOARD MEETING
April 11, 2016

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 Peggy Backus leading in the Flag salute.

Present:

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

Others:

1. Michelle Phoenix – Town Clerk
2. Nancy Roberts – Bookkeeper to the supervisor
3. Ronald VanValkenburg – Highway Superintendent
4. Lynne VanValkenburg – Town Historian
5. Don Beers – Town Resident

Guest Speakers:

Lynne VanValkenburg - wanted to update the board on what was going on with the school house. Lynne stated she received the paperwork from Michelle on making the schoolhouse a nation historic site and will start working on filling it out. Lynne stated we may have to see if we can make any renovations prior to making the school a historic site. Lynne handed in a donation from Joe Reynolds to the Board that was to go directly to the Historian fund of \$150.00.

Don Beers – Don approached the Town board and stated the residents of Camelot drive would like to know what it takes to bring the road up to Specifications and to be taken over by the Town. Ron Explained briefly on some of the regulations that the residents would need to do per the Town of Tompkins Subdivision book. Don was provided a copy of the Subdivision book and will get back to the board with more information at a later date.

Opening of Town Lawn mowing, SD mowing and Crushed Gravel bids:

Town Lawn mowing bids received from: Hardyscapes, Philip Hanley, Luther Higley and Kevin Stanton

Vote: All Ayes - Motion Carried

On motion by Buttel, seconded by Backus to accept the Philip Hanley’s bid.

Sewer District mowing bids received from: Kevin Stanton, Luther Higley Jr., and Hardyscapes. On motion by Backus, Seconded by Buttel to accept Hardyscapes bid.

Vote: All Ayes – Motion Carried

Gravel Crushing received bids from: E.R Pope, LaFever and Northern Crushing –On motion by Buttel, Seconded by Layton to accept E.R Pope bid.

Vote: All Ayes – Motion Carried

Minutes Approval:

On motion by Albanese, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting for March 14, 2016

Vote: All Ayes - Motion Carried.

Abstract of Claims

On motion by Backus, seconded by Layton, it was moved to approve the Abstract of Claims for April 11, 2016 as follows: General Fund: \$3724.62 Highway Fund: \$30,096.46

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Monthly Financial Reports:

Town Clerk:

On motion by Layton, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to receive, approve and place on file the Town Clerk monthly report for March 2016.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Michelle Reported as of today 90% of Town and County Taxes have been collected.

Supervisor's Report:

On motion by Backus seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve and place on file the supervisor's financial report as of March 31, 2016 dated 4/11/2016.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Other Reports:

Planning Board – None

Assessor – Provided

Highway Superintendent

1. Received a reimbursement check from Tompkins Fire District for fuel used during two large fires.
2. The new truck is being worked on and it will possibly be complete by end of April.
3. Town of Sidney still wants old truck.
4. Guys have been working on equipment.
5. Kyle has been working on servicing Fire District fire trucks
6. Dana has been working on Trucks and Boom mower.
7. Still waiting on part for boom mower. Ron prices a whole new valve body and it would cost about \$15,000.
8. Two of the trucks went to Milton Cat for minor repairs.
9. Been cutting and chipping brush
10. Last snow storm 4 trees came down.
11. All the Gravel has been hauled in
12. Ron was contacted by Alberta Hornbeck asking if the Town can go up and cut up a large tree that has fallen, Ron agreed.
13. Ron received a call from a contractor of Frontier communications that was out doing field work and had come across a building on Finch road that had a bunch of Tompkins and Town of Walton Road signs in it. The Sheriff office was contacted and the signs have been returned. The Sheriff dept is doing further investigation.

Dog Control Officer –

Town of Tompkins Rabies clinic will be held June 15, 2016 at 5:00 – 7:00 PM.

Supervisor –

1. Bill received a call from Hancock Rural Fire District asking where their check was. We still have not received a formal budget from them but bill will send the check shortly and ask them for a current copy of the Contract they state they have with us.
2. Bill spoke with Peter Innes about the Fire Town and it is still being worked on.
3. Sandy McClenon would like to know if the Town would pay for her members of her 4 – H group to be sent to 4 – H Camp. After much discussion the Board felt that due to the members not being a resident of the Town of Tompkins it could not be done.
4. Donna Wood asked Bill if there was anything else her 4 – H Club could do for community service. The Board agreed to let them cleaning the weeds out of the rain garden beside the salt shed.

Correspondence: - None

Other –

A generator for The Town of Tompkins office building was discussed – Bill will ask around and see what kind of generator would be needed for the building and upon getting that information it will be put out to bid.

On motion by Layton, Seconded by Backus to approve Rachel, Addyson and Lyla Trimbell for the 2016, 4 – H Camp.
Vote: All Ayes – Motion carried.

On motion by LaTourette, Seconded by Layton to accept resolution 5-2016, determining that there are no adverse impacts on the environment from adoption of the flood damage prevention law.
Vote: All Ayes – Motion Carried

On motion by LaTourette, Seconded by Buttel to accept resolution 6-2016, for the adoption of Local law 1 of 2016 entitled “Flood Damage Prevention Law”
Vote All Ayes – Motion Carried

Sewer District

On motion by Backus, Seconded by Buttel to approve the Abstract of Claims dated April 11, 2016 for the sewer district in the amount of \$2713.09.
Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

On Motion by Albanese, Seconded by Backus it was moved to approve the Trout Creek Sewer District Financial Report for the month of March 2016
Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

Monthly sewer district worker report for March – Provided

Other Sewer District – None

Meeting adjourned at 9:04

Next Meeting to be held on May 9, 2016 at 7pm

Michelle Phoenix

Date: April 11, 2016

Town of Tompkins
Town Clerk