

TOWN OF TOMPKINS  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
April 10, 2017

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 Michelle Phoenix leading in the Flag salute.

Present:

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

Others:

1. Michelle Phoenix – Town Clerk
2. Ron VanValkenburg – Highway Superintendent
3. Nancy Roberts – Book keeper
4. Gregg Eldrige – Guest
5. Lisa Morgan – Guest
6. Chris Yacobucci – Lamont Engineers
7. Mike Jonker – L.V.D.V. Operations

**Guest Speaker:**

Chris and Mike were here to discuss the upcoming restoration work that will be completed by Ben Reynolds construction, Chris stated it may take about 2 weeks to complete the restorations of properties that is needed. Tank inspections are also going to be done in the near future.

Mike stated that the board will receive the detailed work sheets monthly.

**Opening of Lawn mowing bids for Town properties and Sewer properties:**

Town lawn mowing bids received – Kevin Stanton, Alex Morgan Adam Stanton and Luther Higley.

On motion by Buttel seconded by Layton, to approve the low bid from Kevin Stanton of \$55 per mow.

Vote: All Aye's – Motion Carried

Sewer District property mowing bids received – Luther Higley, Adam Stanton, Hardy Scapes.

On motion by Backus seconded by LaTourette, to approve the bid from Adam Stanton for \$700 per mow.

Vote: All Aye's – Motion Carried

**Minutes Approval:**

On motion by Backus, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting's for March 13, 2017

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 April 10, 2017 as follows: General Fund: \$6526.71 Highway Fund: \$25,079.47

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

## **Monthly Financial Reports:**

### **Town Clerk:**

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Backus, it was moved to receive, approve and place on file the Town Clerk monthly report for March 2017.

At this time 89% of the taxes have been collected

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

### **Supervisor's Report:**

On motion by Backus seconded by Buttel, it was moved to approve and place on file the supervisor's yearly financial report as the monthly report for March 31, 2017 dated 4/10/2017.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

## **Other Reports:**

**Planning Board** – None

**Assessor** – Provided for review

## **Highway Superintendent**

1. Received agreement for expenditures of highway funds. On motion by Layton seconded by LaTourette to agree to what Ron had filled out for road repairs and to have Ron return to the County. Vote: All Aye's – Motion Carried
2. Plowed 77 times for the 2016-2017 snow season.
3. All plows have been removed from trucks, painted and put up for year.
4. Guys have been cleaning trucks
5. Due to the way this winter went we may have a little more road repairs this year.
6. FEMA is collecting figures to declare storm Stella. Ron received an email requesting figures, him and Nancy will work on it and get it sent back.
7. The grader was at Milton cat for brake issues and it was hard for them to find brakes and shoes they did manage to find some used ones. The grader was picked up today and Ron was told that "as long as you pump the brakes about 5 times they will work". Ron stated that before they took it in it had brakes so there should not be this problem. They tried it out and now only have to pump them 3 times to make them work. Ron was not happy and is going to call someone else to see if they can fix it.
8. The 2013 International is at Ben Funk for warranty work.
9. Ron discussed that he found we do not have to put our equipment we want to get rid of out to bid if we are selling to another municipality. Ron would really like to sell the Massey with Mower to Deposit.

**Dog Control Officer** – None

## **Supervisor –**

1. Received \$1100 from United Methodist Church ( Kingswood) donation
2. Payment has been sent to the Hancock Transfer station minus the money they over charged us last year.
3. Monuments – Howie is going to look at getting a stone large enough to set the monuments on.
4. Bill is getting compost for the flower pots from the landfill.
5. Received a letter from NY asking what our status was with the \$50,000 building grant. After much discussion the Board decided to let the grant go for now and reapply another time when we know exactly what we need.
6. NYMER sent the refund Check
7. The installation of the furnace at the school house has started.

**Sewer District:**

On motion by LaTourette, Seconded by Buttel to approve the Abstract of Claims dated April 10, 2017 for the sewer district in the amount of \$2989.11

Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

On Motion by Backus, Seconded by Buttel it was moved to approve the Trout Creek Sewer District Financial Report for the month of March, Dated 4/10/2017

Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

Monthly sewer district worker report for April 2017 – Provided

**Other Sewer District –**

**Other –**

On Motion by LaTourette, Seconded by Backus to approve Sophia Piro, Kaitlyn Wood, Kylie Wood and Chayce Albanese for the 2017 4H Camp

Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

**Correspondence: - None**

Meeting adjourned at 9:10

Next meeting to be held on May 8, 2017 at 7pm

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Michelle Phoenix

Date: April, 10, 2017

Town of Tompkins Town Clerk