

TOWN OF TOMPKINS
TOWN BOARD MEETING
June 12, 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 Tim LaTourette 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. Ron VanValkenburg – Highway Superintendent
3. Nancy Roberts - Bookkeeper

Guest Speaker:

None

Minutes Approval:

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Butte, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting for May 8, 2017

Vote: 4 Ayes – Albanese – Abstained: Motion Carried.

Abstract of Claims

On motion by Backus, seconded by Albanese, it was moved to approve the Abstract of Claims for June 12, 2017 as follows: General Fund: \$7104.77 Highway Fund: \$121,622.24

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Monthly Financial Reports:

Town Clerk:

On motion by Albanese, seconded by Buttel, it was moved to receive, approve and place on file the Town Clerk monthly report for May 2017.

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 Supervisors report as of May 31,2017, dated June 12, 2017

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Other Reports:

Planning Board – None

Assessor – None

Highway Superintendent

1. Received payment for the tractor in the amount of \$3,000, also received money for scrap in the amount of \$724.82.
2. Helped Hamden with pug mill
3. All the dirt roads have received magnesium chloride, some was not applied to whole length of the roads.
4. Started cold patching roads with pot holes, not completed all roads yet.
5. Prepping of Sands creek road for paving.
6. Will be going back to Dry Brook and finish prepping it for paving.
7. Spent a couple days cleaning up from rain storm.
8. Mowing is still being done along roads.
9. We have hauled some gravel from gravel bank, anticipate them to call to move in equipment for crushing soon.
10. Roller is still waiting on the tire to come so it can be repaired.
11. Have made various repairs to trucks and other equipment
12. Would like to get the concrete pad out back for washing equipment, much discussion went on about if it would be allowed by DEP and that is why the drains were put in inside the building.
13. Ron asked if the wing and mower workers could get a raise to \$12 an hour. The Board stated they would keep it at \$11.00 an hour.
14. Ron requested another phone line be put in so they can use it as a designated fax line.
15. Ron stated he is working on fixing the items that the department of labor has requested.
16. Ron received an extended warranty on the new tractor, board decided not to purchase it.

Dog Control Officer – No applications have been received for employment
Tim will contact Deposit DCO and see if they were still interested.

Supervisor –

1. The Creamery was appraised again by CWC, Layton stated he couldn't get a copy of appraisal because it was paid from by CWC.
2. CWC is coming with a firm on Thursday to examine the creamery for asbestos and Lead.
3. Peter Innis Called and stated things are moving along with the Tower. Tom Pohl called and requested a deed for the property that the Tower stood on. We explained to him that it was NYC land and there is no one deed for all their property. Layton did find that the Finger Lakes Trail system did have a permit from the DEP to use the property, that was sent to Mr. Poll.
4. Alice Ziegler asked if it was okay for her husband to park his truck at the creamery when he was home. Bill has found that other towns have a hold harmless agreement to keep the Town from being sued for any damages or injuries to person or property. On motion by Buttel seconded by Backus to have anyone using Town property to sign our hold Harmless agreement. Vote: All Ayes – Motion Carried.
5. We will be getting Two kids for summer help through the County
6. Summer help applications have been received, 4 applications, 2 requested DPW work and 2 requested Clerical work. On motion by Albanese, seconded by LaTourette to hire Dillion Wood and Tabor VanValkenburg for DPW work and to hold off on the Clerical position until further information can be provided. Also to pay summer help \$10.00 an hour, Vote: All Ayes, Motion Carried
7. Layton would like to send a card of thanks to Bainbridge Memorial Works for his donation of time moving and cleaning of Memorial. Layton will pick up the card and everyone can sign it.
8. A letter has been received by the bank stating that we have an inactive account and if we don't do any transactions soon it will be sent to the NYS Comptrollers. Nancy suggested moving \$100 in account, board agreed.
9. Received a letter from NYS retirement requesting the Town to fill out and submit a standard workday reporting resolution. It will take a little bit to get everyone's hours, we will hold off on resolution until next month's regular meeting.

10. Layton received a call from Jane Tomao asking for help with the water in her basement. Both Layton and Reynolds went to see what the problem may be. They noticed that the drain pipe for washing machine was draining on the floor. Layton also wondered if a pipe from the TC Spring was broke and causing water to come back into basement. Layton contacted Chris Yaccubuci and he stated that when they were in there that he also noticed the drain for Washer was draining directly on floor and told them at that time they needed to fix that. It was stated that we have had a significate amount of rain lately and that too could be contributing to the problem with water in their basement.

Sewer District:

On motion by Backus, seconded by Albanese to approve the Abstract of Claims dated June 12, 2017 for the sewer district in the amount of \$2932.12

Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

On Motion by Albanese, seconded by LaTourette it was moved to approve the Trout Creek Sewer District Financial Report for the month of May Dated 6/12/2017

Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

Monthly sewer district worker report for May 2017 provided for review

Other Sewer District – none

Other –

Grant – Albanese has proceeded with the Grant for a storage building. After all the issues with the creamery it was decided to get a new building and put it on the Town hall property. We will need to show that we have existing funds of \$50,000 to proceed with project.

- On Motion by Albanese, seconded by LaTourette to amend the budget and move \$15,000 from General fund into Capital Building fund for grant project #6427

Vote: All Aye's – Motion carried.

Brian also stated that we have just received a new NYS Grant application for a grant between \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Correspondence: - None

Meeting adjourned at 9:03

Next meeting to be held on July 10, 2017 at 7pm

Michelle Phoenix

Date: June 12, 2017

Town of Tompkins Town Clerk