

TOWN OF TOMPKINS  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
February 12, 2018

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 – Absent
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
4. Pamela Scofield – Deputy Town Clerk
5. Brett French – LVDV

**Guest Speaker:** None

**Minutes Approval:**

On motion by Buttel, seconded by LaTourette, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular monthly, reorganizational, appointment of health officers and audit of financial reports meeting held on January 8, 2018

Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried.

**Abstract of Claims:**

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Backus, it was moved to approve the Abstract of Claims for February 12, 2018 as follows: General Fund: \$150708.19 Highway Fund: \$23,467.31

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 January 2018.

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 monthly financial report as the Annual Financial Audit dated 1/31/2018 dated February 12, 2018.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

**Other Reports:**

**Planning Board** – None

**Assessor** – None

**Highway Superintendent:**

1. 95 Chevy won't pass inspection next time
2. Need more grit money to rebuild the pile
3. Been out cutting brush and running boom mower
4. Stone and pipe bids need to go out
5. Ron asked if the FEMA money has come in from the storm back in March 2017
6. Running the same as last year for the amount of times they have been out plowing
7. Ron questioned what was going on with Creamery – will be discussed at March's meeting when Layton returns from vacation
8. Ron wants to replace the 95 Chevy and will go out and price Chevrolet or GMC crew cab.
9. Ron reported that the cost to the town to replace the "children at play" signs that were deliberately run over on Herrick Hollow would be about \$50 just to replace the post, the signs were originally purchased by the resident.
10. Received a proposal from the light guy to place all lights to LED lights.

**Dog Control Officer:** – None

**Supervisor:** –

1. Received donation in of \$650 from Padmasambhava Buddhist Center.
2. The SEI Court Room program will no longer be changing fees to municipalities for use of their program. All support personnel of SEi will become state employees and there will be no further fees effective 1/3/2018.

**Sewer District:**

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Buttell to approve the Abstract of Claims dated February 12, 2018 for the sewer district in the amount of \$2936.26

Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

On Motion by Backus, seconded by Buttell it was moved to approve the Trout Creek Sewer District Financial Report for the month of January Dated 2/12/2018

Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

Sewer District workers report – Brett was in attendance to give the board a report.

Brett stated the generator has been fixed and working well. Plowing is better but the shoveling still seems to be an issue Brett is willing to meet with the contractor that is doing the plowing / shoveling and explain what exactly needs to be done.

Flow meter levels are up a little more than expected. Could be due to people running water to keep pipes from freezing.

**Other Sewer District** – None

**Other:** –

On Motion by LaTourette, seconded by Backus to approve to send Town of Tompkins children to the 2018 4-H camp.

Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

Brian stated the fuel tank at the School house is empty and needed to be refilled.

There will be a minor cost to replace the lights in the school house.

Brian is also working on the grant for the Loader.

**Correspondence:** - None

Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm

Next meeting to be held on March 12, 2018 at 7PM

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Michelle Phoenix  
Town of Tompkins Town Clerk

Date: February 12, 2018