

Minutes of the Thurston Regular Town Board Meeting

Held: Wednesday: May 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: 7578 County Route 333 Thurston, NY

Present: Town Supervisor: Wendy Lozo

Town Council: Gary Lewis, Paul Peck, Steven Frederick

Town Highway Superintendent: Richard Gauss, Jr.

Town Attorney: Absent

Town Dog Control Officer: Randy Akins

Absent: Town Council Member: Sam Gauss

Visitors: Noel Sylvester, Tom Ryan

Wendy Lozo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The board opened with the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment: Tom Ryan is running for the Steuben County Legislative seat for district 9.

Minutes: Motion was made by Steven Frederick seconded by Paul Peck to accept and approve the Town Board Meeting minutes dated April 19, 2017. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried.

Bills Payable: Motion was made by Steven Frederick seconded by Paul Peck for Wendy Lozo to pay all claims listed in the General abstracts A080 – A097 totaling \$4,399.60 and the Highway Abstracts 62-82 totaling \$256,431.42 dated May 17, 2017. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried.

Clerk's Report: April 2017 monthly report was presented to the Board. Total deposits for the month were \$846.00.

Justice Report: April 2017 monthly report was presented to the Board. Justice Sweeney collected \$515.00 in fines and fees. NYS received \$470.00 and the Town received \$45.00. Wendy Lozo stated that the Justice's e-mail address has changed and it has been e-mailed to all of the Board members. Dolores will put it on the webpage and change it on the official contact sheet.

Tax Collector's Report: Nothing

Assessor Report: Nothing

Code Enforcement Officer's Report: Nothing

Historian Report: Nothing: Nothing

Dog Control Officer's Report: April 2017 monthly report was presented to the Board. Randy collected \$160.00 in overdue license money and \$210.00 in redemption money. Randy reported 2 missing dogs, and 6 dogs running at large. Seventy five dogs and twenty cats were vaccinated at the April rabies clinic. \$164.00 was collected in donations.

Supervisor's Report: April 2017 monthly report was presented to the Board. Wendy lozo stated that she attended the County wide shared services meeting. She gave the Board a quick update.

Highway Superintendent's Report: April 2017 monthly report was presented to the Board. Items of interest and work performed 04-20-17 through 05-17-17 is as follows: The weight limit signs have been removed from the oil and stone roads and the roads have been broomed. The agreement to spend town highway funds has been filed with Steuben County. Two problem areas on Hanrahan road have been repaired and the ditch in this area was cleaned. A large tree

was removed from the shoulder of the road on Harrison road. A drive pipe was installed for Bill Wright and drive pipes were replaced for Jeff Sweeney and David Oliver. Several trees had to be removed from roadways due to high winds. A 10 foot extension was added to a field drive pipe for Donald Nowicki. A hedge line along Wood Hill road was opened up to make a driveway for Mrs. Saler. A section of drain tile was installed on Harrison Rd. Six hundred feet of drain tile was installed in an area on Starr road. A large section of McIntosh road had old gravel replaced with new and the original gravel was used on a section of McIntosh that isn't oil and stone. A section of ditch was cleaned on Hamilton road. Over 28 ton of scrap metal was taken to Weitsman of Hornell with a total of \$4,495.36 in return. George and Swede took the new loader to their shop to mount the bucket. Four dump trucks were NYS inspected by Goodrich Auto. Summer grading has begun. Repairs or service was done to the following equipment: The 01 Volvo dump was serviced. The 06 Sterling had new dust shields installed along with a new windshield. The 01 F550 dump had a hydraulic line replaced. The 2015 F350 pickup had new front brake pads installed. The permit to remove gravel from 415 creek has been received. Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Steven Frederick to accept and approve the Clerk's report through the Highway Superintendent's report. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried.

Old Business: Gary Lewis is still working on pricing for the lights for the back parking lot. Gary Lewis asked the Board for approval to install a frost free spigot on the exterior of the Town Hall. Motion was made by Steven Frederick seconded by Paul Peck for Gary to install the frost free spigot. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried. Gary announced that he is not running for the open Councilmen position in November. He stated that he would continue to volunteer his time for maintenance when needed. Paul Peck stated that he needed to finish filling out the forms for the Hazard Mitigation program. Wendy Lozo asked for a resolution to accept the internal audits of the Town Clerk on April 12, 2017 and the Tax Collector on May 10, 2017. Motion was made by Steven Frederick seconded by Paul Peck for a resolution to be made to accept the internal audits. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried. Wendy Lozo asked the Board if it was ok to send the checks to pay for the equipment by return receipt and they said yes. Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Gary Lewis to close old business. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried.

New Business: Wendy Lozo stated that she would like to start working on the Highway Union negotiations in June or July. Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Gary Lewis to close New Business. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried.

Motion was made by Gary Lewis seconded by Paul Peck to adjourn the regular Town Board meeting at 7:55 pm. Put to vote: Gary Lewis, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye. Carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dolores Crooker, Town Clerk