Minutes of the Thurston Regular Town Board Meeting

Held: Wednesday: March 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: 7578 County Route 333 Thurston, NY

Present: Town Supervisor: Wendy Lozo

 Town Council: Paul Peck, Steven Frederick, Holly Chase, Noel Sylvester

 Town Highway Superintendent: Richard Gauss, Jr.

 Town Attorney: Shawn Sauro

 Town DCO Officer: Randy Akins

 Absent: No one

Visitors: Tom Lozo, Colton Peck, Shawn Sauro intern

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

Public Comment: Nothing

Minutes: Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Holly Chase to accept and approve the Town Board Meeting minutes dated February 21, 2018. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried

Bills Payable: Motion was made by Steven Fredericks seconded by Paul Peck for Wendy Lozo to pay all claims listed in the General abstracts A057-A077 totaling $ 5,362.97 and the Highway abstracts 035-047 totaling $ 28,987.92 dated March 21, 2018. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried

Clerk’s Report: February 2018 monthly report was presented to the Board. Total deposits for the month were $218.75. The town received 180.75 and NYS Ag & Mkts received 38.00. Holly Akins mentioned that Sarah Sawyer came in to rent the hall out for April 7 for a birthday party and the Board approved. Motion was made Paul Peck seconded by Noel Sylvester to approve rental at town hall. Put to vote: Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Paul Peck, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried

Justice Report: February, 2018 monthly report was presented to the Board. Justice Sweeney collected $1096.00 and $609.00 to NYS, $487.00 Town Share.

Tax Collector’s Report: She didn’t have them ready to due to her husband having surgery.

Assessor’s Report: Nothing

Historian Report: Nothing

Code Enforcement Officer’s Report: Building permits ordered.

Dog Control Officer’s Report: February 2018 monthly report was presented to the Board. Randy Akins reported 2 dogs running at large. He collected $100.00 in redemption fees.

Supervisor’s Report: Town Supervisor Wendy Lozo mentioned that NYS Audit is completed sent to NYS & on file with Town Clerk.

Highway Superintendent’s Report: March 21, 2018 monthly report was presented to the Board. Items of interest and work performed 02/21/18-03/21/18. Richard Gauss was out a total of 18 times in the last month checking road conditions. They have been plowed and or sanded a total of 12 times in the last month. The Fire Dept. parking lot was plowed 4 times and Town Hall parking lot was plowed4 times and the sidewalks and steps were shoveled and de-iced 8 times. The weight limit signs were posted on the oil and stone roads on the 26th of February. All the vehicle registrations have had the plate numbers and addresses corrected. The 03 Sterling had to be titled in the town’s name before it could be listed on Auctions International. The title was received back on the 19th and is now listed. The 2 brooms and the military trailer was listed earlier in the month and were sold. The trailer sold for $370 and the 2 brooms sold to the same buyer for $1,155.00. The total for the auction was $1,525.00. An area on Shauger Rd. that rutted bad had 5 load of stone, and 1 load of crushed gravel graded into it. The headwall on a large pipe on McIntosh Rd. had to be rebuilt. A water was on Tucker Rd. was repaired. The major storm that hit on the 2nd of March dropped 17 inches of wet snow and took down trees and power lines on several of our roads. The power was out at the shop for 2 days but the generator that was purchased through the federal Surplus Program worked great. The men did a great job of getting the roads opened up by the end of the day and not having any major issues. A lot of towns around us were not as lucky. Several days were spent removing the fallen trees. The excavator, with the wing that the men fabricated to go on it, went around town winging back the high drift areas. 4 days were spent doing this. Lewis Overhead Door installed new heavy duty cables on 2 of our overhead doors. The NYDEC conducted and inspection of our fuel storage tanks on the 16th of March. All the tanks passed but they are requiring us to have them painted within 6 months. Repairs were made to the following equipment; the F450 bucket truck had new timing chain and gears installed and the radiator replaced, the F550 had 2 new rear recapped tires, the 01 Volvo dump had exhaust work and a new battery disconnected switch, 06 Sterling had the fuel tank replaced, and front brake pads were replaced on the 2015 F350 pickup. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried. Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Noel Sylvester to accept and approve the Clerk’s report through the Highway Superintendent’s report. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried

Old Business: Town supervisor Wendy Lozo had said she talked to Noah Puffer. Court grant money came in will be ordering chairs/ fire proof filing cabinet soon. Justice, Town Supervisor, Town Clerk audit are done and filed here in the office. Board Motion to accept and approve Isaac heating Repair quote was $457.44 for 1 Tech for 4 hours, Tech to replace inducer pressure switch and low reading flame road sensor found on planned maintenance. Shawn Sauro Intern, Patrick Wood came in and presented us with a paper with cons and pros of having an AED in the building. Paul Peck said he would get the info on AED on what we need with bring in one he has at work. Land line was acting up again Wendy Lozo called and they were going to take care of it. Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Holly Chase to close old business. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried.

New Business: Town Supervisor Wendy Lozo received a Foil Request from Labella on all property aligned with Dickson’s property. Wendy Lozo was going to tell Labella to get in touch with DEC with any more information that she had given them everything we had but we are more than welcome to help out anyway we can. Carried. Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Holly Chase to close new business. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried.

Motion was made by Paul Peck seconded by Steven Fredericks to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Put to vote: Paul Peck, aye; Wendy Lozo, aye; Steven Frederick, aye; Holly Chase, aye; Noel Sylvester, aye. Carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Holly Akins, Thurston Town Clerk