The Regular and 2018 Organizational Meeting was held December 13th, 2017 in the Benton Town Hall Conference Room, 1000 Route 14A, Penn Yan, NY 14527

Board Present: Supervisor: John Prendergast

Councilmen: Richard Harper – Deputy

Alan Tomion

Glenn Quackenbush Becky Jensen – Absent

Also Present: Jeff Mann – Highway Superintendent, Bobbi Wolfe – Town Clerk, Jayson Hoover – Zoning/Water. Brian Murphy.

Supervisor Prendergast opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Richard Harper, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to approve the November 8th, 2017 minutes with one correction. Motion was carried.

Old Business:

Stork Insurance: Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Richard Harper approving the 2018 Public Officers, Commercial and Liability Insurance in the amount of \$22,854.57. Motion was carried.

Water Relevy: Clerk Wolfe explained the relevy amount was changed to \$16,739.45. a final read was added and is supposed to be eliminated during the relevy. Yates County Real Property has been notified and the correction made prior to the tax bills being printed.

Spectrum Franchise Agreement: Supervisor Prendergast stated that a public hearing will be set for the January meeting for approval of the Spectrum Agreement.

New Business:

SCT Computer – We need to replace (2) computers (John and Jayson) ,possibly out of this years' budget, and replace (2) next year estimated cost \$1200.00 plus add antivirus \$90.00. Bob also stated that the server needs to be replaced and would like to do it in the 2018 budget. (Estimate Enclosed) Motion was made by Richard Harper, seconded by Alan Tomion to replace (2) computers in 2017 at a cost not to exceed \$1200.00 based on Mr. Harpers conversation with SCT. Motion was carried.

Benton Planning Board needs town board authorization to re-visit the Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2013. Supervisor Prendergast and PB Chairman, Tom Rood attended a seminar which encouraged updates be done regarding Solar and Wind. Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper approving this request. Motion was carried.

Lashfiche Project: After discussion with all Benton departments it was decided not to participate in the Yates County Lashfiche project.

Notice of Claim received from Charles Mckay – Attorney William Mattar (Motorcycle accident 14A & Clark Road). The claim has been forwarded to town attorney, Jeff Graff and Steve Stork, Stork Insurance. Representative from Selective Insurance, Nicholas Reddie has requested a letter from the town stating 1) It doesn't own Route 14A, 2) Does not maintain Route 14A 3) Not involved in the paving project. Supervisor Prendergast will prepare the letter and forward it certified to Mr. Reddie.

Broadband Survey is being distributed throughout Yates/Steuben counties to possibly expand internet services to rural areas.

Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper to approve Resolution # 37-17 2018 Appointments:

Resolution #: 37 2018 Appointments

Bobbi Wolfe	Water Clerk	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Jayson Hoover	Water Operator	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Thomas Rood	PB Chair	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Thomas Goodall	Planning Board	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2022
Karen Ellis	PB Secretary	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Thomas Carroll	PB Alternate	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Dwight James	ZBA Chair	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Steve Vaughan	Zoning Bd of Appeals	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2022
Karen Ellis	ZBA Secretary	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Thomas Goodall	ZBA Alternate	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Thomas Goodall	PB Member	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2022
Bobbi Wolfe	Registrar	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2019
Bobbi Wolfe	RMO	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Thomas Morris	Animal Control	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Linda Johnson	Bookkeeper/Payroll	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Linda Johnson	Budget Officer	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Eleanor Parker	Historian	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Jayson Hoover	Watershed Inspector	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018
Jayson Hoover	Zoning Officer	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2019
Lydia Pidlisny	Court Clerk	1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018

Community Bank N.A & Lyons National Banks as Depositories

Chronicle Express as the Official Newspaper

Jeff Graff of Riley & Graff as the Town Attorney

Clark – Patterson – Lee as the Town Engineers

Regular Meetings for 2018:

Town Board – Second Wednesday of the month @ 7:00 P.M. Zoning Board of Appeals – First Tuesday of the month (Upon Request) @ 7:00 P.M. Planning Board – Fourth Tuesday of the Month @ 7:00 P.M.

Town Clerk and bookkeeper shall be and hereby authorized to pay the following claims prior to town monthly audit: Retirement, any Utilities, Postage, Hospitalization, Town Approved Payroll, payments and any invoices that are due prior to the date of the board meeting.

Mileage Rate for 2018 \$.53 Per Mile.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Richard Harper seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to approve the following Resolution #38-17 pertaining to the Water Districts.

Resolution # 38-17: Water District Hook Up Fees

	New Service	In Existing District
1" Service	\$2400.00	\$1200.00
1 ½" Service	\$3200.00	\$1600.00
2" Service	\$4000.00	\$2000.00

Installation of a new water service of a distance of 150' or a crawl space requiring a meter pit hook up Fees are as follows:

	<u>New Service</u>	In Existing District
1" Service	\$2800.00	\$1400.00

Meter Pits: 1" Service to be supplied by the town. Any larger service such as a 1 ½" and 2" will be paid by the homeowner. This installation will be by town specifications and be supervised by the water department.

The cost of a service being pushed under the road will be the responsibility of the homeowner
(The town does not have the equipment to push under the road and has to be sub-contracted out and will be completed with supervision of the Benton Water Department.)

Shut Off Fee is \$25.00 – No fee to turn the water back on.

Note: "An account will only be de-activated if the water is turned off by the Water Department".

Water Fees for 2018:

WD # 1	\$50.00/6000 Gallons	\$5.50/1000 Over the 6000 Gallons
WD # 2	\$60.00/6000 Gallons	\$5.50/1000 Over the 6000 Gallons
WD # 3	\$50.00/6000 Gallons	\$5.50/1000 Over the 6000 Gallons

WD # 4

Relevey Fee: \$50.00/Per meter will be charged as of October 31, 2018 for each unpaid account. As an administrative charge.

Rate of pay for WD # 1 Extension: Bobbi \$1000.00, Jayson \$1500.00, Linda \$750.00.

Motion was carried unanimously.

#39 -17: Motion was made by Richard Harper seconded by Alan Tomion to approve the Public Disclosure for Quackenbush Hardware up to a limit for purchases equaling \$750.00 per year. Motion was carried.

<u>#40-17</u>: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush seconded by Alan Tomion to approve the Yates County Animal Control Officer 2018 Contract. Motion was carried.

Monthly Abstract of Vouchers & Reports: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the following: General (A) Claims 195-216 Totaling \$31,350.19, General (B) Claims 333-338 Totaling \$368.78, Highway (DA) Claims 122-134 Totaling \$13,281.72, Highway (DB) Claims 239-242 Totaling \$45,085.50, SW1 Claims 61-65 Totaling \$245.78, SW2 Claims 80-90 Totaling \$6376.86, SW3 Claims 51-54 Totaling \$284.29. Town Clerk – Highway – Supervisor – Zoning – Water Reports. Motion was carried.

<u>Adjourn:</u> Motion was made by Richard Harper, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to adjourn the meeting as of 8:35 P.M. Motion was carried.

The Benton Town Board would like to thank Becky Jensen for all of her years of service.

Dated: December 14, 2017 Bobbi Wolfe Benton Town Clerk/RMC

ADOPTED: January 10th, 2018