

The Regular Town Board Meeting was held July 11th, 2018 in the Benton Town Hall Conference Room, 1000 Route 14A, Penn Yan NY 14527.

Board Present: Supervisor John Prendergast
 Councilmen: Richard Harper, Deputy
 Brian Murphy
 Glenn Quackenbush
 Alan Tomion

Also present: Highway Supt. – Jeff Mann, Town Clerk – Bobbi Wolfe, Zoning/Water – Jayson Hoover, Historian/Health officer – Eleanor Parker.

Public Present: George Thompson, Harold Smith, Jim Colizzi, Debbie Fleming, Grant Downs, Tom & Pat Hilberer, Bill Youngs. Terry Button – Yates County Legislature.

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

Supervisor Prendergast opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 PM for Local Law # 1 of 2018.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Brian Murphy to approve the June 13th, 2018 minutes as presented. Motion was carried.

Water District # 1 Extension: Supervisor Prendergast reported the following on WD # 1 Ext: June 6, (4) bids were received which all exceeded the Map, Plan & Report amount of \$709,000.00 At this time Engineer, Jeremy Delyser (Clark-Patterson-Lee) has requested from USDA (Rural Development) an additional \$323,000 in funding to complete this project. At the time of the meeting we hadn't received notification of the request and we don't know how much of the additional money requested will be loan/grant. Prendergast continued that there are several steps to be taken for this project to continue. Due to the fact the cost will go above the state threshold, approval from the State Comptroller will be required. Residents from the proposed district had several questions regarding the required steps. Supervisor Prendergast didn't answer certain questions and didn't want to state any wrong information. It was also requested by a resident, Patricia Hilberer to have the town attorney be present at the next meeting, (Ultimately it will be a board decision to have the attorney present.) Prendergast stated we hope to have more information at the August 8th, 2018 meeting.

Water District # 5: (Earls Hill Road). Jim Colizzi reported that he had approximately 51% of the residents in this proposed district signing the petition. He will continue to acquire signatures and report back to the town board. If approved, this district will also need the State Comptrollers approval.

Old Business:

Generator: Councilman Harper stated that he is waiting for proposals from Dailey Electric and Sloth Electric. He will provide the Quik Solar proposal to make sure all proposals are equal.

New Business:

The 2018 Finger Lakes Railway “PILOT” Distribution check was received in the amount of \$287.89.

Nine-Element Watershed Plan: Mark Venuti is in pursuit of funding for the Nine Element (9E) plan. After board discussion it was decided to approve supporting the plan. Grant Downs explained that the Town of Geneva will be the Lead Agency in this early investigation into funding for solutions of (controlling runoff and improving water quality). Going forward support of the 9E plan will help secure a grant. Resolution below.

Close the Public Hearing (Local Law # 1 of 2018) at 8:15 PM

Resolutions:

#12-2018: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Glenn Quackebush approving the adoption of Determination of Significance LL # 1 of 2018 (SEQR). Motion was carried.

#13-2018: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Richard Harper approving the Adoption of Local Law # 1 of 2018 (Zoning Changes). Motion was carried.

#14-2018: Motion was made by Glenn Quackebush, seconded by Brian Murphy Approving the Adoption of the (9E) (9 Element) funding for Watershed Support grant. (With the stipulation of no financial obligation). Motion was carried.

Yates County Legislature - Terry Button: Reported on the following items:

- 1) Increased Lime Disease in the area.
- 2) Foreclosure's are down in Yates County.
- 3) Bridges in Middlesex are being replaced.
- 4) Study being proposed for a water authority in Yates County.
- 5) Occupancy Disbursement.

Health/Historian Officer:

Eleanor Parker reported (1) animal bite and is continuing to take pictures for the history book.

Water: Jayson Hoover reported on a couple of leaks down by the lake that have been repaired.

Highway: Jeff Mann reported that the old excavator brought in \$33K. The new loader will cost \$33,635.49 with a trade in of \$125,00.00, 2018 K-Model Loader thru (NJPA) Five Start. Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Brian Murphy to purchase the new loader. Motion was carried. The board approved (6/13/19 Board Meeting) warranty of \$1240.00 for the old load has been returned.

Monthly Abstract of Vouchers and Reports:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Brian Murphy to approve the following: General (A) Claims 99-117 Totaling \$6021.21. General (B) Claims 18-20 Totaling \$671.20, Highway (DA) Claims 78-85 Totaling \$2455.89, Highway (DB) Claims 210-211 Totaling \$17,295.60, SW1 Claims 27-35 Totaling \$3078.19, SW2 Claims 50-58 Totaling \$1134.24, SW3 Claims 25-32 Totaling \$5200.43. Town Clerk – Highway – Zoning – Water – Supervisor reports. Motion was carried.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Brian Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 P.M.
Motion was carried.

Bobbi Wolfe
Benton Town Clerk/RMC

Adopted: August 8th, 2018