The Regular Town Board Meeting was held July 10, 2019 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 Alan Tomion

Glenn Quackenbush

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

Public Present: Grand Downs – Town of Torrey, Arlene Wilson – Cornell Co-Op, Terry Button, Yates County Legislature.

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

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion seconded by Brian Murphy to approve the minutes from the June 12th, 2019 as presented. Motion was carried.

<u>Guest:</u> Arlene Wilson - Cornell Co-Op. presented the board and public with several publications including; "Species Awareness", "The Taste of Yates, Local Food Guide", "Gardening Matters", she also stated that they will have a booth at the Yates County Fair this year.

Old Business:

NYSEG – Energy Efficiency Proposal for the Town Hall and Barn. After board discussion it was decided the cost was too expensive. Glenn Quackenbush will be checking on the price of replacement bulbs.

Sexual Harassment Policy needs to be completed by all employees by October 2019.

New Business:

NYS Dept of Taxation Finance: Certify the final state equalization rate is 100% for the Town of Benton. The town board questioned what column "C" meant. We will ask the assessor and report at the next meeting.

Municipal Shelter and Dog Control Officer Inspection Reports were completed 6/21/19 all with "Satisfactory" results.

Resignation from James Willson as of 8/31/19 from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Jayson Hoover will ask Tom Goodall if he would like to fill the position.

Resolutions:

#19-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the Engineering Amendment. (Original Fee \$81,782.00, Amended fee \$88,158.00. Motion was carried.

#20-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush approving the Engineering Services Proposal for WD # 5. Motion was carried.

#21-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Alan Tomion for approval of the SEQR eaf Long Form Part # 1. Motion was carried.

#22-2019: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the SEQR Lead Agency Intent. Motion was carried.

#23-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the WD # 1 Ext 1 Project Budget Modification (Cost Related to the Railroad Permit). Motion was carried.

#24-2019: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Brian Murphy to approve the Budgetary Modification: General (A) Transfer of \$1960.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to A1620.2 Equipment and Capital Outlay. (Furnace). Motion was carried.

#25-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the Budgetary Amendment – Water District # 1 \$5000.00 in code SW1-8340.4 Operation & Maintenance to cover ongoing expenses for the year. Account is currently overdrawn by \$184.14. (This will be taken from the fund balance) Motion was carried.

Yates County Legislature – Terry Button: Information regarding the Hazardous Waste day is being worked on by Connie Hayes, at this time we don't know the date or time.

<u>Town of Torrey:</u> Grant Downs reported that their WD # 1 is having issues acquiring easements. No other news at this time.

Highway:

Jeff Mann reported on the new truck proposal he had received. The cost came in at \$217,219 and could be received in March, with a 2 1/4% increase after that date. He's looking at selling the 2007 pick up for parts.

Water/Zoning:

Water: There was a break at the Bellona Fire House which has been repaired. WD # 4 Coliform tests came back positive, after flushing and retesting came back negative. Zoning: Permits are up this spring.

Monthly Reports & Abstract of Vouchers:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Brian Murphy to ap prove the following: General (A) Claims 130-149 Totaling \$9681.93, General (B) Claims 217-220 Totaling \$275.75, Highway (DA) Claims 66-70 Totaling \$51,655.99, Highway (DB) Claims 215-220 Totaling \$60,693.07, SW1 Claims 34-39 Totaling \$1915.64, SW2 Claims 50-58 Totaling \$1060.63, SW3 Claims 31-38 Totaling \$4013.67, SW4 Claims 1-2 Totaling \$147.21. Town Clerk – Highway – Zoning – Water and Supervisor Reports. Motion was carried.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. Motion was carried

Dated: July 16, 2019 Bobbi Wolfe

Benton Town Clerk/RMC