

The Regular Town Board Meeting was held August 14, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Benton Town Hall Conference Room 1000 Route 14A, Penn Yan, NY.

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

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

Public Present: Tom Swartele, Dewey Hauman, Bob Stowell and Grant Downs.

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

Minute Approval: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Brian Murphy to approve the minutes from the July 10th, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion was carried.

Guests:

Bob Stowell: Is requesting a reduction in the speed limit on Clark Road. Highway Superintendent, Jeff Mann explained that the town will send a letter to the Yates County Highway, Dave Hartman, in turn he will send a letter to the NYSDOT. They will send a representative to do a study on this road to determine if the speed limit warrants a reduction. It was also suggested to have residents of Clark Rd send letters to Sheriff Ronald Spike requesting additional Deputies to check the speed on that road.

Dewey Hauman: Mr. Hauman attended the meeting and explained to the town board his interest in being a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. He stated that he has been a resident since 1977 owning a farm on Lovejoy Road, and would like to help make decisions for the future of the town. Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Alan Tomion to appoint Dewey Hauman to the Zoning Board of Appeals Term 9/1/19-12/31/23 to fill the unexpired term of James Willson. Motion was carried.

Old Business:

Glenn Quackenbush contacted I.D. Booth on replacing light bulbs at the town, but has not heard back from them.

Water District # 4: Jeremy Delyser had a conversation with James Nardoizzi regarding the final clean up of the district, they stated they would be there this week 8/15-8/16 to finish up the district. Resident Tom Swartele stated he wasn't happy that the restoration hadn't been completed.

Water District # 5:

NYS Agriculture and Markets sent a letter of approval for the Town of Benton Proposed WD # 5 Lead Agency.

New Business:

Time Warner Cable – Case Number 18-V-0193 Petition for Cable Renewal Agreement for Approval of the Renewal of its Franchise with the Town of Benton. A new contract was not received at the time of the board meeting.

Yates County: The county applied for a grant for STN Broadband – apparently Yates County was the only one to apply for this grant. Also, there is a County Comprehensive Plan meeting 8/15/19 which includes a survey on shared services.

Yates County is hosting a hazardous waste and electronics collection day 9/21/10. Forms are in the Town Clerk's office and need to be filled out and sent back to the county. They will set an appt time.

NYSEG: Is asking for a rate increase through the New York State Public Service Commission. If approved the new rates would take effect in April 2020.

Eleanor Parker stated that she had taken required training for the Board of Elections. Public Health is reinstating the "Medical Reserve Corp". A group that helps residents in a time of need, disasters etc:

Zoning/Water: Jayson Hoover reported that he has been busy with permits.

Grant Downs (Town of Torrey) reported that Yates County has been involved in possible "Data Storage" units in Torrey which will be powered by the electric plant.

Resolutions:

#26-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the Budgetary Amendment of \$2500.00 in code SW3-8340.4 O&M to cover ongoing expenses for the year. Account is presently overdrawn by \$534.84. motion was carried.

#27-2019: Motion was made by Richard Harper, seconded by Alan Tomion to approve Budgetary Amendment in the amount of \$10,000.00 in General A8030.41 Research WD # 5 to cover ongoing expenses which will be taken from fund balance. Motion was carried.

Monthly Reports & Abstract of Vouchers: Zoning – Water – Town Clerk – Highway – Supervisor Reports. General (A) Claims 150-169 Totaling \$12,335.45, General (B) Claims 221-225 Totaling \$274.41, Highway (DA) Claims 71-80 Totaling \$6877.43, Highway (DB) Claims 221-223 Totaling \$54,539.09, SW1 Claims 40-44 Totaling \$667.84, SW2 Claims 59-67 Totaling \$1656.76, SW3 Claims 39-42 Totaling \$288.14, SW4 Claims 3-4 Totaling \$94.08. Motion was carried.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. Motion was carried.

Dated: August 20, 2019

Bobbi Wolfe

Benton Town Clerk

ADOPTED: September 11th, 2019