

The Regular Benton Town Board Meeting was held October 9, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Benton Town Hall Conference Room, 1000 Route 14A, Penn Yan, NY 14527

Board Present: Supervisor
Councilmen

John Prendergast
Richard Harper, Deputy
Brian Murphy
Alan Tomion
Glenn Quackenbush

Also Present: Jeff Mann – Highway Superintendent, Bobbi Wolfe – Benton Town Clerk, Jayson Hoover – Zoning/Water, Eleanor Parker – Historian/Health Officer, Rick Willson – Yates County Legislature.

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

Minute Approval: Motion was made by Brian Murphy seconded by Richard Harper to approve the minutes as presented. Motion was carried.

Old Business:

Cleaning Up Day: Electronic Waste State Assistance grant has been received in the amount of \$900.48 This will be the last year for E-Waste reimbursement from the DEC.

Sexual Harassment Training required. Supervisor Prendergast will be doing a presentation in house for all employees.

New Business:

Yates County Pictometry approval for 2020 has been sent to Meghan Kincaid. Payment schedule as listed: 50% paid by the Yates County Sheriff's Department, 10% paid by the Yates County Real Property Tax Service, 40% paid by the town's (prorated by parcel count, based on the prior year's final assessment roll). We have not received the total cost at this time.

Water District # 2:

Estimate for diving & repair damaged paint for the elevated tank in the amount of \$4675.00. Appointment has already been made to repair the damage prior to cold weather.

Water District # 4:

Letter from CPL on the final completion of the district along with the letter from James Nardozzi for the final restoration. Two issues remain, black top repair and railroad sign replacement. Meeting has been set with USDA, Municipal Solutions and the town to close out this project. It is set for October 16th @ 1:00 PM. Final buy out the BAN's to Serial Bonds will be on Oct 18th.

Water District # 5:

Town Board Review is requested of WD # 5 application to the State Comptroller. After review, it was found that the application to the State Comptroller showed "Water District # 5 Extension" and should read Water District # 5. This information will be forwarded to Jeff Graff to make the corrections prior to

creating the resolution for board approval. Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush approving the application to the State Comptroller with one change to "Water District # 5". Motion was carried.

Supervisor Prendergast informed the board that there is a meeting at the Village of Penn Yan, water meeting October 24th, 2019 @ 10:00 AM.

Resolutions:

#30-2019: Motion was made by Brian Murphy, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush approval of setting up a Public Hearing for the 2% Tax Cap at the November 13th, 2019 meeting @ 7:00 P.M. Motion was carried.

#31-2019: Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush approving WD # 1 Extension Project Completion and Certification of the Water Operator. This Motion was duly put to a vote: AYES – Prendergast, Murphy, Harper, Tomion and Quackenbush. NOES; None

#32-2019: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper to approve Budgetary Amendment in the amount of \$5537.07 in General A8030.4 Research for WD # 1 Ext – Capital to pay current invoices. Motion was carried.

#33-2019: Motion was made by Richard Harper, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to approve the Budget Modification - General \$800.00 from the A1990.4 Contingent Account to A1680.4 (IT) Budget Account. Motion was carried.

Yates County Legislature – Rick Willson:

- A) Bail Reform – Big impact on the county budget
- B) GIS System – Mapper, Roger Paddock will be retiring in January 2020.
- C) Broadban – Possibly receive a federal grant by the first of the year or earlier.
- D) Credit Card use for Town/County Taxes
- E) Comprehensive Plan – Online Questionnaire.

Health Officer – Eleanor Parker reported a dog bite that resulted in the dog being euthanized. She also reported that the Benton Fire Department is having their first fish fry this coming Friday 10/11/19.

Highway:

Jeff Mann stated that he had prices for a F150 Ford truck. Prendergast stated that a new truck needs to be purchased in January with possibly increasing the Highway Equipment Reserve at budget time. Salt shed was also discussed.

Zoning/Water:

Jayson Hoover stated that a new home is being built and a water service has been installed at the corner of Earls Hill Road and Old State Road. Zoning: We need an alternate for the Planning Board.

Monthly Reports & Abstract of Vouchers:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, Seconded by Brian Murphy to approve the following: General (A) Claims 186-206 Totaling \$9456.16, General (B) Claims 230-231 Totaling \$139.72, Highway (DA) Claims 92-97 Totaling \$1665.83, Highway (DB) Claims 228-231 Totaling \$5147.74, WD # 1 Claims 51-59 Totaling \$4006.78, WD # 2 Claims 79-87 Totaling \$19053.74, WD # 3 48-54 Totaling \$3528.85, WD # 4 Claims 7-8 Totaling \$104.96. Town Clerk, Highway, Supervisor, Zoning and Water Reports. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M. Motion was carried.

Dated: October 10, 2019
Bobbi Wolfe
Benton Town Clerk, RMC