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Town of Franklin Board Meetings

Regular Meeting February 14, 2018, 5:30pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Supervisor Art Willman, Councilman Don Hamm, Councilman Cliff Smalley, Councilman Peter Woodcock and Councilman Tom Bartiss

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jacques DeMars—Highway Superintendent, Paul Blaine—Code Officer, Julie Woodcock, Doris Hamm, Bill Chassen—Adk Daily Enterprise and Lauren LeFebvre—Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Willman called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Town Clerk called the roll, noting a quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF January 10 & 16 2018 MEETING MINUTES : Minutes approved as presented. (C.Smalley-T.Bartiss m/s/p) all aye

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS The board audited and approved payment of the following:

General Fund	Abstract 2	Claims 20-38	\$39,990.08
Highway Fund	Abstract 2	Claims 13-36	\$21,830.81
Pre-Pay General	Abstract 2	Claims 4-8	\$2,529.09
Landfill	Abstract 1	Claims 1	\$1,440.00
Highway Pre-Pay	Abstract 1	Claim 1-3	\$267,726.02

(D.Hamm-T.Bartiss m/s/p) all aye

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Balances on hand as of January 31, 2018

General Fund

Checking	\$333,594.26
Savings	\$14,206.18
Historian	\$3,039.00
Kt. Mt SRF	\$44,963.49
Cemetery RF	\$3,202.64
CLASS	\$239,599.82
Highway Fund	
Checking	\$347,548.99
Savings	\$558.34
Cap Proj. HW	\$47,113.95
CLASS	\$393,839.76
Landfill Clos. CR	
Checking	\$2,408.30
CLASS	\$19,329.63
Fire Protection	
Checking	\$13,828.85
CLASS	\$20,847.58
Capital Proj Bldg	
CLASS	\$66,067.33

(Smalley-Hamm m/s/p) All Aye

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. While looking at the budget worksheets dated 01/08/2018, it appears that the transfer of \$1,576.00 from General fund to highway fund (for Deputy Pay) was over looked. If this was the case, I wish it to be done as soon as possible for the year of 2017; in addition I wish that the same amount be transferred for the year of 2018 so that it does not get forgotten also.
2. Plow and sanded as needed.
3. Cut trees as needed.
4. Received a check for \$37,216.23 from Clinton County Soil and Water Conservation District. This is payment that Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District got us for the culvert replacements that we did last year on Cold Brook Road. Sent in paper work for CHIPS reimbursement. We should see the deposit in March. This is because the paving last year was late and could not get the bills and canceled checks in time to get it last Dec.
5. During the thaw in January we had a few areas that we had to open culverts, removed snow and monitored until the slight flooding subsided.
6. We also assisted the County on some of the County roads with the same problem.
7. New 2018 Freightliner was delivered on 2/1/18. For records keeping it has been assigned as Unit #8. It was put on the road the same day and started being use the next day.
8. Assemblyman Billy Jones informed me about a grant that he was sponsoring for road work such as resurfacing etc., we applied and we are approved for reimbursement for up to \$50,000. I have the forms that need Lauren to notarize and Art and I to sign.
9. 284 for Cold Brook Rd resurfacing-
10. Gas, fuel and maintenance logs given to Highway Committee

RESOLUTION #10 Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys On a motion by Councilman Smalley, second by Councilman Hamm, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Franklin Town Board does hereby authorize the expenditure of up to \$84,107.10 for permanent improvements of approximately 1.04 miles on Cold Brook Road.

Those Voting Aye:

Supervisor Willman
Councilman Hamm
Councilman Bartiss
Councilman Smalley
Councilman Woodcock

Those voting No: None

CODE OFFICER'S REPORT - Inspections—8, Municipal Searches—1, Certificate of Occupancy—2, Building Permits Issued—2, Fees Collected--\$547.50

NEW BUSINESS

A. Landfill Proposal-Tisdell Associates has been monitoring the landfill and has submitted a quote of \$2000 for 2018. This quote in \$500 less than what the Town paid in 2017.

RESOLUTION #11 Accept Tisdell's Quote for 2018 Landfill Monitoring On a motion by Councilman Woodcock, second by Councilman Bartiss, BE IT RESOLVED the Town of Franklin Town Board does hereby accept

the quote of \$2000 from Tisdell Associates to continue monitoring the landfill in 2018.

Those Voting Aye:

Supervisor Willman
Councilman Hamm
Councilman Bartiss
Councilman Smalley
Councilman Woodcock

Those voting No: None

B. Waterfront and Hamlet Revitalization Grant Update - Supervisor Willman, Councilman Bartiss and town resident Dick Jarvis attended a public workshop regarding this grant. The Town of Franklin's key project, landscaping at Kate Mountain Park, upgrading the bridge and adding parking on Bigelow Road and trail resurfacing, has been accepted. Approximately, \$160,000 in additional funds for implementation are also available.

C. Think Differently - Dutchess County in requesting NYS Towns adopt a Think Differently resolution to create awareness of the needs of people with autism and other disabilities.

RESOLUTION #12 - Calling on Town of Franklin Residents and Business Owners to "Think Differently" to Assist Individuals with Special Needs and Their Families

Whereas, the Think Differently initiative is about promoting awareness and acceptance of all people, and advocating for the inclusion of all individuals living on the autism spectrum and with special needs; and Whereas, our state and communities are stronger because of our diversity and differences; and Whereas, according to the Center for Disease Control over 55 million people, or approximately 19% of Americans, have a type of disability or special need; and Whereas, for some people with special needs, the very things that make them unique can also keep them on the sidelines, separate from those who might not understand their differences or uniqueness; and Whereas, it is important to promote and provide guidance to those with special needs on how to access publicly supported services available to them in the community; and Whereas, it is important to encourage and educate the community and businesses on ways they can make facilities and services more accessible and on how to train staff to welcome and support special needs customers and co-workers; and Whereas, the goal of this initiative is to provide a supportive and inclusive environment for individuals of all abilities by supporting community events that ex[and family friendly opportunities for people with special needs and their families; and Whereas, adopting the "Think Differently" initiative is an important statement that our Town officials, business owners and residents can make to show their support for the differently-abled children and adults with special needs and their families. Now, Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tow of Franklin Town Board, residents and business owner adopt the "Think Differently" initiative so that all are better prepared to communicate with, provide for, and support those living on the autism spectrum and with special needs.

Those Voting Aye:

Supervisor Willman
Councilman Hamm
Councilman Bartiss
Councilman Smalley
Councilman Woodcock

Those voting No: None

OLD BUSINESS

A. Community Building Update - Bidders Meeting Feb 15 at 10am. Bid Opening February 28 at 4pm.

B. Solar Project Update - No update.

C. Charter Franchise Contract Update - Supervisor Willman is in the process of submitting a list of additional residence addresses the Town would like service expanded to. There will be a Public Hearing regarding the franchise contract on February 27, 2018 at the Franklin Town Hall at 6pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Cemetery Report - no report

B Audit - On January 16, 2018 Councilmen Smalley and Bartiss audited the Tax Collector's 2017 financial records. All records were found to be in good order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Councilman Smalley, second by Councilman Woodcock, the board moved to Executive Session at 6:24pm to discuss the Teamsters Union Contract. Present in Executive Session were Supervisor Willman, Councilman Woodcock, Councilman Smalley, Councilman Bartiss, Councilman Hamm and Town Clerk Lauren LeFebvre. On a motion by Councilman Bartiss, second by Councilman Hamm, the board moved out of Executive Session at 7:18pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Supervisor Willman adjourned the meeting at 7:19pm

Respectfully submitted, Lauren LeFebvre, Town Clerk

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