

October 9, 2014

Town of Afton  
County of Chenango

Present at the regular meeting were Supervisor J. Lawrence, R Tallmadge, C Tallmadge, C Warren, J Baciуска, Highway Superintendent L Shultis, and Justice P Wylubski, ACO A Cross.

Visitors: W Colley, W Leidecker, B Heller, A Leggett, N Caldiero, W Caldiero, D Davey, C Colley, A Steinberg, S Capizzi.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with the salute to the flag.

Bills were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Funds Claims # 171 to 190 Totaling \$6510.86 as listed on General Funds Abstract # 10 dated October 9, 2014, and

Highway Funds Claims # 128-146 totaling \$28695.10 as listed on Highway Funds Abstract #10 dated October 9, 2014.

Motion to pay General Fund Abstract #10 dated October 9, 2014 in the amount of \$6510.86 and Highway Funds Abstract #10 dated October 9, 2014 in the amount of \$28695.10 made by J Baciуска Secoded by C Tallmadge. Approved

Motion to Accept minutes of September 11, 2014 regular board meeting made by R Tallmadge Secoded by C Warren Approved

Recognition of Visitors:

#### Communications

- 1) Letter received from Senator T Libous concerning award of grant in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the combining of the town court and town offices read.
- 2) Thank you letter read concerning highway department attention to the corner of Fairway Court and Algerine Street.

#### Committee Reports

- 1) Assessor Report no report available.
- 2) Financial Reports distributed
- 3) Justice one report distributed second report will be forwarded to town council when received.
- 4) Code Enforcement no report available
- 5) Highway Report L Shultis reports that the fuel tank has been moved to the Highway garage site. Continuing to mow with the boom mower around town. The NYS contract for salt has finally been released and has begun being mixed with sand and piled for winter usage. New Loader has arrived. 8 hour days will return on October

15, 2014. L Shultis requested that the Seasonal Roads notice and Mail Box notices be placed in the Tri Town. Town Clerk will do as soon as possible.

- 6) DCO Report distributed. Also requested signs are put up at front and back of Town Hall stating that people need to clean up after their dogs and it is a law and tickets and fines can be issued for failure to comply.
- 7) Animal Response Team report distributed.
- 8) Building Report In response to the questions submitted in the August board meeting by the Afton Vision Group the board offered the following.

This is a very good deal for a building of its age and condition. There approximately 5 acres of property that lends itself to future rental of both outside space and a very good selection of office suites inside. There are 6 rentable offices inside, when not rented the heating system can zone them out. We would be able to provide space for our Historian (State mandated).

This is an opportunity to provide our Court officers with a safe and adequate work environment. Our Court Judge and clerks do a great job for the Town and Village and its appropriate and necessary that we provide them with a safe working environment.

The agreement that we have reached is \$295,000 down from \$395,000 for the IVCI building and the 5 acres of land. They will accept ownership of the existing Town Hall and credit \$30,000 for this property making the price now \$265,000.

Renovations are still under review by May range from \$65,000 to \$95000.

Operating costs are difficult to know but we fully expect them not to exceed our present costs and once we get office rentals going, it should provide revenue for the Town.

Maintenance on this building is not a factor for a long time, unlike the buildings we occupy now. This is an opportunity for the Town to protect itself from the maintenance cost of older buildings, and making access possible for handicapped persons.

This will be put up for permissive referendum.

Time line estimate is December 2014 through February 2015.

Architect is being paid for by Grant Monies and was appointed by board motion.

#### Old Business

- 1) Chenango County Road Agreement read. Motion to approve made by C Tallmadge and seconded by R Tallmadge Approved
- 2) Resolution #1 10/14 to sell Town property to Afton Central School District.

**RESOLUTION #1-10/14**  
**AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY**  
**#289.06-1-19 AT CASWELL AND COURT STREET TO THE AFTON**

**CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**WHERE AS,** in Town Resolution #1-2/14, the Town did offer for sale such property and the existing building located at the corner of Caswell and Court Streets in the Town of Afton and designated on the Tax Map as #289.06-1-19, and

**WHERE AS,** The Town did receive a “Contract of Sale” from the Afton Central School District contingent on the passage of a Permissive Referendum by the Afton Central School District, and

**WHERE AS,** the Town has accepted the terms of the “Contract of Sale” with contingencies,

**NOW THEREFORE,** be it,

**RESOLVED,** that the sale to the Afton Central School District will be accepted contingent on the passage of a Permissive Referendum initiated on this date (October 9, 2014) and continuing for 30 days at which time the sale will be final, contingent upon the Afton Central School District’s successful Referendum.

Motion made to accept by J Baciuska and seconded by C Tallmadge Votes as Follows

Ayes            Supervisor J Lawrence  
                  C Tallmadge  
                  J Baciuska  
                  R Tallmadge  
                  C Warren

Nays            none

Abstentions   none

Resolution passes

3) All town employees that are not current members of the NYS Retirement System must sign acknowledgement forms.

4) Results of the Fuel Oil and propane bids are as follows

Fuel Oil

Boulder Oil Fixed rate of \$3.259 per gallon  
Suburban Propane Fixed rate of \$3.49 per gallon  
Mirabito Energy Products \$ 3.0460 per gallon

Winner of Bid Mirabito Energy Products

Propane Bid

Mirabito Energy Products \$1.8300 per gallon  
Suburban Propane fixed rate of \$1.69 per gallon  
Boulder Oil Fixed at \$1.469 per gallon

Winner of Bid Boulder Oil

New Business

- 1) Motion to accept the SPCA agreement for 2015 made by R Tallmadge seconded by C Warren Approved
- 2) Motion to appoint Christopher Osborn as Motor Equipment Operator made by R Tallmadge and seconded by C Warren. Approved
- 3) Motion to allow J Lawrence and Town Clerk to attend 2014 Perma Fall Conference November 5, 6 and 7 made by J Baciуска and seconded by C Tallmadge Approved.

Recognition of Visitors:

Motion to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel terms of Employment at 8:10 pm by R Tallmadge seconded by J Baciуска Approved

Motion to return from Executive Session at 8:55 pm by R Tallmadge seconded by C Warren Approved  
Motion to approve Teamsters Contract for a 3 year period made by R Tallmadge seconded by J Baciуска Approved

Motion to advertise a position of Motor Equipment Operator in the Tri Town News with a start date of October 22, 2014 made by R Tallmadge seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to adjourn at 9:00pm by C Tallmadge seconded by R Tallmadge approved

Respectfully Submitted by

Rosemarie A Klatz  
Afton Town Clerk