October 12, 2017 Town of Afton County of Chenango

Present at regular meeting were Supervisor J Lawrence, Councilmen J Baciuska, C Warren, C Tallmadge, Highway Superintendent L Shultis, Assesor S McIntyre, DCO A Cross

Visitors: R Cross, Hon P Wylubski

Bills and claims were reviewed and ordered paid as follows

General Fund Claims #152-168 totaling \$4782.48 as shown on General Fund Abstract # 10 dated October 12, 2017 and

Highway Fund Claims #122-131 totaling \$19618.13 as shown on Highway Fund Abstract # 10 dated October 12, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with the salute to the flag.

Motion to accept the minutes of the September 7, 2017 regular meeting was made by C Warren and seconded by C Tallmadge Approved

Motion to pay bills and claims made by C Warren and seconded by C Tallmadge Approved.

## Communications

Newspaper article from the Tri Town concerning the North Afton cemetery was discussed and brought to attention of all present.

## Committee Reports

- 1) Assessor report slow month no questions from the board.
- 2) Financial reports were distributed.
- 3) Justice report was distributed
- 4) Sanitation report not available
- 5) Highway report trimming of tree limbs and servicing of trucks being done before winter weather arrives. Road crew back on five 8 hour days beginning this week. The historical marker was placed this week on route 7.
- 6) DCO report distributed
- 7) Building report not available
- 8) Animal Response Team no report

## **Old Business**

- 1) Standard Workday Resolution has passed the 30 day review.
- 2) Stand by generator at highway garage still waiting on Lowes for installation.
- 3) DASNY review completion document is being completed and will be sent back to DASNY.
- 4) BCD Riding Park Resolution discussed Motion to approve the following resolution made by C Tallmadge seconded by J Baciuska Approved. Resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, there is a proposal to provide a safe and legal space for dirt bike and all terrain vehivle (ATV) enthusiasts and their families to spend time together riding in the great outdoors of New York State through a Broome Chenango Delaware Family ATV & Dirt Bike Park, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton understands that communities are made stronger when families have more opportunities to interact with each other in positive and constructive ways and that having those opportunities would increase with the creation of a riding park in the region.

WHEREAS, the creation of a riding park in Broome, Chenango, and Delaware counties would positively impact our region by increasing tourism and by attracting people from across the United States which will provide an economic stimulus to New York State and the local communities that surround this park through increased food sales, lodging receipt, outdoors equipment purchases, sales tax revenue, and varoius other sources.

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton understands the connection between strong families and opportunities for family engagement and creation of an ATZ riding park in the region would increase those opportunities in a positive and constructive manner.

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton also understands the importance of supporting opportunities and activities that can help combat alcohol and substance abuse by promoting positive family bassed activities like an ATV riding park that promote social interaction between children, young adults and adults and increase resect for our natural resources in our state forests and parks.

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton supports activities that promote a strong and healthy community both socially and economically, and the creation of an ATV riding park would support those efforts and help with the retention of our population base, generate new job opportunities, encourage private investment and increase the use of your stat's natural resources.

WHEREAS, the development of a Broome Chenango Delaware Family ATV and Dirt Bike Park supports each of these goals, and

WHEREAS, the development of a Broome Chenango Delaware Family ATV and Dirt Bike Park will alson bring in substantial dollars to the state for conservation efforts, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton wishes to express its support of a Broome Chenango Delaware Familt ATV and Dirt Bike Park in the New York State Park System utilizing Oquaga Creek State Park, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Afton supports a Broome Chenango Delaware Family ATV and Dirt Bike Park at the park system centered at Oquaga Creek State Park, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Town of Afton shall forward a certified copy of the resolution that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to Governer Andres Cuomo, New York State Senator Frederick Akshar, New York State Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo, New York State Assemblyman Clifford Crouch and New York State Assemblyman Christopher Friend.

## **New Business**

- Chenango County Snow and Ice Contract for 2017-2018 was discussed. Motion made to accept the Chenango County Snow and Ice Contract for 2017-2018 by J Baciuska seconded by C Warren Approved
- 2) Village of Afton Christmas Parade Committee is requesting a donation to cover expenses of parade and volunteers to help out with the parade. Motion for a \$225 donation made by J Baciuska seconded by C Tallmadge Approved Monies to come from A1010.4 budget line.
- 3) Planning Board to meet when needed.

Recognition of Visitors

Motion to go to executive session to discuss the preliminary budget for 2018 at 8:00 pm made by C Tallmadge seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to return from executive session at 9:20 pm by C C Tallmadge seconded by C Warren approved

Motion to approve the tentative budget for 2018 made by C Tallmadge seconded by J Baciuska Approved

Motion to adjourn at 9:25 pm by C Tallmadge seconded by J Baciuska Approved

Respectfully submitted by

Rosemarie A Klatz Afton Town Clerk