

April 11, 2013  
Town of Afton  
County of Chenango

Present at the regular meeting were Supervisor J Lawrence, R Tallmadge, J Baciuska, C Tallmadge, M Long, Highway Superintendent L Shultis, ACO A Cross.

Visitors: K Hoyt, K Ludwig, C Ludwig, N Caldiero, W Caldiero, B Heller, A Steinberg, W Colley, A Leggett, R Sherman, A Gaydorus.

Bills were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Fund Claims # 71-93 totaling \$151692.03 as listed on General Fund Abstract #4 dated April 11, 2013 and

Highway Fund Claims # 34-49 totaling \$18343.75 as listed on Highway Fund Abstract # 4 dated April 11, 2013.

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm with the salute to the flag.

Regular meeting minutes of March 14, 2013 were reviewed and motion to accept made by R Tallmadge and seconded by J Baciuska. Approved with M Long Abstaining.

Special meeting minutes of March 28, 2013 were reviewed and motion to accept made by R Tallmadge and seconded by J Baciuska. Approved with M Long Abstaining.

Recognition of Visitors:

C Ludwig spoke on request to join with the town to possibly obtain a grant for playground equipment. Information was distributed and J Lawrence agreed to act as a Liaison on behalf of the Town to help with grant.

A Leggett spoke on flood mitigation on east side of town and her progress in resolving issues with culvert under I88.

Thank you letter was received from Dr. Dygert on the flooring for the medical center building.

Communications

- 1) Donation request from Norwich Firefighters Association was reviewed.
- 2) Letter from Attorney Downey on the liability waiver for volunteers for repairs to current town hall was reviewed.
- 3) Mining permit notice for Syracuse Sand & Gravel LLC, expanding of existing blue stone quarry on East Afton Road.
  - a. Add a notice in Tri-Town News of article already printed in Norwich Sun.
  - b. Highway Superintendent to contact operators on potential road impact.

## Committee Reports

- 1) Financial report not available as accountant on vacation.
- 2) Justice reports (2) were distributed. R Sherman distributed information on Ncourt program for collection of traffic violations.
- 3) Code enforcement not report available.
- 4) Assessor no report available.
- 5) Highway Department Report. Currently sweeping roads and intersections. Started peeling shoulders on some town roads that we are going to oil and stone this summer. Superintendent met with a Representative from the Constitution Pipeline regarding what was to be done about road crossings in the town, determination that they should bore under the roads in the town, we spoke on 4/9/13. To request that info be in writing for the town's protection. TDS contract for the highway garage is up for renewal, Superintendent Request that we look into Time Warner for phone and internet. Information to be gathered on pricing. Grade all back from Winn's Garage today, head gasket has been replaced. The electric is on in the new garage and the heat is working. Progress on the interior with and estimated completion of first week in May for outdoor work by town crew to begin on landscaping and parking lot improvements. It has come to our attention that we have electronic door openers on all overhead doors but that the cost of remotes to operate the openers were not part of the contract, and must be purchased separately.
- 6) Building Committee presented proposals that include renovation of existing highway garage for housing of court with estimates to be gathered for cost. Second option was purchase of IVCI building on East side of Town to house all court and town offices, and other option consisted of purchase of modular unit to be placed on property on Warren Flat property. Discussion will continue once all information has been gathered
- 7) Animal Control Many dogs are running. Quarantine is still in effect until April 30, 2013.
- 8) Medical Committee flooring in 3 exam rooms restroom and reception area has been completed with further work to be done next year as budgetary restrictions allow.
- 9) Community Grant Committee has received some responses and will report once all have been reviewed.

## Old Business

- 1) Town of Barker Letter. W Colley spoke on the letter and requested that town consider supporting this letter.
- 2) Proposal to construct room inside the existing Highway Garage to house Court discussed with information on cost of these reservations to be gathered for further consideration.
- 3) Decision on truck repair or replacement. Due to cost of new truck decision made to repair the Sterling truck with a cost of approximately \$20000.00 Motion to repair current truck made by J Baciuska and seconded by R Tallmadge. Approved  
J Baciuska requested that estimates be gathered for fixing existing Mack truck before deciding to expend monies on new truck.

## New Business

R Sherman raised concern of traffic on Chase Road due to bridge replacement on County Rt 17 and requested that we look into reducing speed limit as this will be the detour.

Request by Afton Fire Department to use town property on Warren Flat for training facility for fire company training exercise. Motion to allow Afton Fire Department to utilize property on Warren Flat for a training facility made with liability issue to be approved by both parties, made by J Lawrence and seconded by R Tallmadge.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm by J Baciuska seconded by M Long. Approved

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm by B Tallmadge and Seconded by J Baciuska. Approved

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Town Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Town Council \_\_\_\_\_  
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