

August 14, 2014

Town of Afton
County of Chenango

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

Visitors: D Davey, W Colley, W Leidecker, N Fondicaro, P Sturtz, A Steinberg, B Heller, J Haak, A Leggett, E Zablocki, N Caldiero, W Caldiero, Hon P Wylubski, M Long, M Bernhard.

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 # 149- 161 Totaling \$2230.31 as listed on General Funds Abstract # 8 dated August 14, 2014, and

Highway Funds Claims # 97-112 totaling \$104368.03 as listed on Highway Funds Abstract #8 dated August 14, 2014.

Motion to pay General Fund Abstract #8 dated August 14, 2014 in the amount of \$22300.31 and Highway Funds Abstract #8 dated August 14, 2014 in the amount of \$104368.03 made by C Tallmadge Seconded by R Tallmadge Approved

Motion to Accept minutes of July 10, 2014 regular board meeting made by R Tallmadge Seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to accept minutes of the work meeting of July 22, 2014 made by R Tallmadge Seconded by J Lawrence Approved

Recognition of Visitors:

Communications

- 1) Letter from Association of Towns requesting the Town Join at a cost of \$600.00 per year discussed. Motion made by C Warren to join the Association of Towns with a cost of \$600.00 annually seconded by R Tallmadge Approved
- 2) Request letter concerning a meeting on procurement policy discussed.

Committee Reports

- 1) Assessor Report no report available, J Lawrence stated that the tax rate will be at 66% this year over last years rate of 61%.
- 2) Financial Reports distributed
 - a. Motion to correct expenditure for highway salt shed: increase A599 Appropriated Fund Balance by \$3482.28 and increase A1620.2 Building Capital Outlay by \$3482.28 made by R Tallmadge

Seconded by C Warren Approved

- 3) Justice two reports distributed
Motion to pay needed expenses for P Wylubski to attend NYS Magistrates Annual Conference from A1110.4 made by C Warren Seconded by R Tallmadge Approved
- 4) Code Enforcement no report available
- 5) Highway Report L Shultis reports that they have finished oiling and stoning the town roads for this year, Chase Road, Loomis Road and Goodnough Roads were affected. They have also been cleaning and mowing around some guard rails and shoulders. Assistance was given to the Village of Bainbridge to do some blacktopping last week. Trucks have been hauling sand for winter.
- 6) DCO Report distributed.
- 7) Building Report meeting held on 7/22/2014 with architect Lombardini waiting for cost estimates.

Old Business

New Business

- 1) Establishment of the Afton Animal Emergency Response Team. Motion to accept resolution as follows made by J Lawrence seconded by R Tallmadge Approved

Resolution Dated August 14, 2014
Establishment of the Afton Animal Emergency Response Team

WHEREAS, the Town of Afton may experience any form of a disaster and that disaster will be declared by the State or the County or the Town, and

WHEREAS, there should be a coordinated form of assistance to help in the rescuing of the Town's Domesticated animals, and

WHEREAS, that assistance would best be provided by a committee of volunteers with the sole responsibility to coordinate, train, manage and provide all resources, both manpower and equipment, for its operation, and

WHEREAS, this committee would be the Town's liaison between any Federal, State or County agency in the rescuing and sheltering of the Town's domesticated animals. And any monies expended in such effort if deemed to be reimbursable by any afore mentioned agency, that the monies be returned to the committee less any cost incurred by the Town, and

WHEREAS, this committee would report to the Town Board at its regularly scheduled meeting time and place, its status, operations and any condition of its existence that the Town Board may feel is needed,

NOW, THEREFORE , be it

RESOLVED, That this committee will be established as a standing Town Committee and be known as the "Afton Emergency Animal Response Team" and that it will be self governed for the purpose of rescuing and sheltering the Town's domesticated animals in time of a declared emergency.

Recognition of Visitors:

A Steinberg submitted questions on behalf of the Afton Vision Group to Town Board members. Motion to contain the questions in the meeting minutes made by C Warren Seconded by C Tallmadge Approved Questions are as follows:

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Questions in regards to the IVCI building:

What is the deal being offered by the owners of the property to the town?
(How much money for how much of the property/buildings, and how much for the trades of the two Town – owned properties?)

How much money down and the term of payment inc. percentage interest and time period?
Given what the IVCI building is currently assessed at, what is the Town Board's counter offer?

How much money are you estimating will be needed for renovations?

How much are you estimating the annual costs will be to run the building (heating, lighting, increased insurance, etc.)?

What will be the annual lost tax revenue to the town? What will be the lost annual school tax revenue?

How much will you put in the annual town budget for needed maintenance and repairs on the new property?

How will the Town pay for this?

Will this be put up for a vote?

What is you anticipated timeline – for a vote and for the building/ renovation project?

How is the Architect being paid? Don't you need a board resolution to hire someone like that?

Motion to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues made at 7:37 pm by R Tallmadge Seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to return from Executive Session at 9:20 pm made by C Tallmadge Seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to adjourn at 9:22 pm made by R Tallmadge seconded by C Tallmadge Approved

Respectfully Submitted by

Rosemarie A Klatz
Afton Town Clerk