December 12, 2024 Town of Afton Chenango County

Present at our regular Board meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Chris Warren and Robert Tallmadge; Highway Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; Assessor Caitlyn Brown. Absent: Councilmen Jamie Baciuska and Calvin Tallmadge; DCO Amy Cross and Sanitation Bailey DeBetta.

Visitors: Honorable Don Ouimet

Bills and Claims:

General Fund
Abstract no 12, claim nos. 150 – 167, totaling \$9,889.61
Highway Fund
Abstract no 12, claim nos. 132 – 139, totaling \$43,054.99

Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept the minutes of the November 14, 2024 Board meeting. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to pay bills and claims. Motion made by Chris Warren, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Communications:

- 1/ NYS DOT, have been removing the Town guardrails from under Interstate 88 bridge over Melondy Hill Road, to install two lifts to monitor the bridge rails. Will last some time.
- 2/ Received a letter from Bruce Blaustein of Stillwater Recovery LLC, interested in purchasing vacant land from the Town of Afton, County Road 39, tax map no 289.-2-7.3. The Town is not considering selling property.

Committee Reports:

- 1/ Assessor: Caitlyn will be mailing the exemptions letters in January 2025, due back by March 1, 2025.
 - 2/ Financial: Reports distributed and filed
 - 3/ Sanitation: absent
- 4/ Highway: Kirk received a request from a landowner to see if the Town is interested in selling abandoned property which is adjacent to his, off Bettsburg/Terry Road. The Board is not opposed to this, but would like to see the tentative/proposed survey of the request to move forward. This expense to be covered by the landowner requesting the property.
 - 5/ DCO: report distributed and filed
- 6/ Building: Robert and John met with a representative of UHS Walton, at the Afton Medical Center, to do a walk thru.
 - 7/ Historian: report distributed and filed

Old Business:

1/ Opening the Kerosene Bids:

Buell Fuels:

Dyed Kerosene, fixed net price \$2.9495

Mirabito:

Dyed Kerosene, fixed net price \$3,7028

Motion to award Buell fuels the 2025 kerosene bid. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

New Business:

- 1/ Request for deputy clerk to assist the Town Clerk with the tax bill mailings.
- 2/ Budget adjustments needed for the General and Highway Funds:
- A) Increase DA5130.4 by \$22,000 Machinery, Tires for both pickups Decrease DA5120.4 by \$22,000 Fuel
- B) Increase A1910.4 by \$1,556.65 Insurance Increase A1940.4 by \$2,782.73 Purchase of property Increase A8160.4 by \$700. Landfill Increase A1620.4 by \$3.000. Building Contractual Decrease A9010.8 by 8,039.38 Retirement
- C) Budget adjustments for Town Highway Funds Increase DB3501 by \$32,539.89 CHIPS- Revenue Decrease DB5110.4 by \$20,081.90 Repairs Increase DB5112.2 by \$49,320.79 Hwy Improvement Increase DB9010.8 by \$3,301.00 Retirement

Motion made to approve the budget adjustments. Made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried

3/ Setting a date for the Town accounts annual audits: Court, Clerk, and Town accounts. Tentative date: January 11, 2025, Saturday at 9am.

Recognition of visitors

Motion of Adjourn at 7:21 pm, motion made by Chris Warren seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Respectfully Submitted by

Sandra D Reiling

Town Clerk