

January 12, 2017
Town of Afton
County of Chenango

Present at the regular meeting were Supervisor J Lawrence, Councilmen R Tallmadge, C Tallmadge, C Warren, J Baciуска, Highway Superintendent L Shultis, DCO A Cross, Assessor S McIntyre, Sanitation Code Enforcement Officer B DeBetta.

Visitors R Cross, D Brendel, A Leggett

Bills were audited and ordered paid as follows:

2016 General Fund Vouchers # 234-256 totaling \$3982.60 as shown on General Fund Abstract # 13 dated January 12, 2017 and

2016 Highway Fund Vouchers # 175-187 totaling \$14591.16 as shown on Highway Fund Abstract # 13 dated January 12, 2017 and

2017 General Fund Vouchers #1-6 totaling \$26281.11 as shown on General Fund Abstract # 1 dated January 12, 2017 and

2017 Highway Fund Voucher #1 totaling \$2214.69 as shown on Highway Fund Abstract #1 dated January 12, 2017.

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

Motion to accept the minutes of December 8, 2016 regular meeting made by r Tallmadge seconded by J Baciуска approved

Motion to pay bills and claims for General Funds Abstract #13 for 2016 and Highway Funds Abstract # 13 for 2016 made by J Baciуска seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to pay General Funds Abstract # 1 for 2017 and Highway Funds Abstract # 1 for 2017 made by C Tallmadge seconded by R Tallmadge Approved

Presentation of a Plaque for his years of service as Town Justice was made to Ronald Sherman, a dish garden planter was presented to Ronal Noone for her years of service as Court Clerk, a certificate of thanks was presented to Cathy Shaeffer for her service as a Court Clerk.

Communications

- 1) National School Choice Week Proclamation discussed

A Proclamation Commemorating Town of Afton School Choice Week

WHEREAS all children in Town of Afton should have access to the highest-quality education possible: and,

WHEREAS Town of Afton recognizes the important roll that an effective education plays in preparing all students in Town of Afton to be successful adults; and,

WHEREAS quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of Town of Afton; and,

WHEREAS Town of Afton is home to a multitude of excellent education options from which parents can choose for their children; and,

WHEREAS educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and,

WHEREAS our area has many high-quality teaching professionals who are committed to educating our children; and,

WHEREAS School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Lawrence do hereby recognize January 22-28, 2017 as **TOWN OF AFTON SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK**, and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.

Motion to approve proclamation made by R Tallmadge seconded by J Baciuska approved

2) Communication received from Afton Seniors concerning a donation to the seniors for their club as in past years, these fund are not in the budget for 2017. Request has been denied.

Committee Reports

- 1) Assessor Report smooth sailing so far
- 2) Financial Report distributed
- 3) Justice Reports three reports distributed
- 4) Sanitation no activities
- 5) Highway report distributed Motion to place the boom mower as surplus made by J Baciuska seconded by R Tallmadge Ad to be placed in Tri Town for bids for sale of Boom Mower to be opened at February 9, 2017 board meeting. Motion to go out to bid for Tractor and Mower made by R Tallmadge seconded by C Warren also to be placed in Tri Town and bids to be opened at the February 9, 2017 meeting.
- 6) DCO Report Distributed
- 7) Building Committee Handicap accessibility continuing to have information gathered by committee, Request made by Afton Fire District to build a building to house truck on this side of river along with a possible space for a Sheriff's rescue vehicle and a land spot for a helicopter in time of emergency. D Brendell to contact proper personnel about the Helicopter landing requirements and to report back to board with his information. Board is willing to allow a building and the helicopter as long as there is no commitment on financing of the objects by the Town of Afton as the Afton Fire District is a separate entity and any financing would be the responsibility of the Afton Fire District and not the Town of Afton.
- 8) Animal Response no activity at this time.

Old Business

- 1) Reminder to those in NYS Retirement System to complete and sign ROA by End of Each Month for first quarter and to return to Supervisor Lawrence on first of following month.
- 2) Review of changes by Village to Inter-municipal Agreement between Town of Afton and Village of Afton for Article 7 of NYS Ag and Markets Law. As agreement has not yet been received tabled to later date.

- 3) Accept Northeast Realty commission payment in the amount of \$2400.00 for the sale of 1.7 acres of land and building on the corner of Caswell and Court Street to Afton Central School (6% of \$40000.00) motion by J Baciуска seconded by C Warren Approved
- 4) Review MEG Administration Agreement and Draft of a local law and resolution to sign the Administrative Agreement . Motion to table made by C Tallmadge seconded by r Tallmadge approved

New Business

- 1) Reorganization for 2017:
 - A) Monthly meeting for Town Board will be held at 6:45 pm to audit bills and claims and regular meeting will begin at 7 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month at the Town Hall Building at 204 County Road 39 in Afton, NY.
 - B) Bank: NBT Bank, NA
 - C) Newspaper: TriTown News
 - D) Historian: Kathy Ouimet
 - E) Custodian for Town Hall: Rosemarie Klatz
 - F) Deputy Town Clerk: pay rate at \$9.70hr to be determined
 - G) Deputy Town Supervisor: Joyce Lawrence
 - H) Permission to pay salaried employees
 - I) Mileage is at \$.50 per mile
 - J) Meeting Rules Procedure Robert's Rules of Order, Newest Edition
 - K) Assessment Board of Review compensated at \$9.70 per hour
 - L) DCO: Amy Cross
 - M) Sanitation Enforcement Officer: Bailey DeBetta
 - N) Records Management Officer: Rosemarie Klatz
 - O) Highway, Buildings and Grounds Committee Chairperson: Robert Tallmadge
 - P) Special Meeting notices will be posted on front door of Town Hall at 204 County Road 39 Afton, NY
 - Q) Building permits to be authorized by Supervisor or Town Clerk.

Motion to accept A – Q made by C Tallmadge seconded by R Tallmadge Approved.

- 2) Set date of February 11, 2017 beginning at 9 AM till finished for audit of Town Financial Records including Court Records, Town Clerk records and Town Financial records at the Town Hall, 204 County Road 39, Afton made by C Tallmadge seconded by C Warren Approved

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm by R Tallmadge seconded by C Tallmadge Approved.

Respectfully submitted by

Rosemarie A Klatz
Afton Town Clerk