

March 14, 2024
Town of Afton
Chenango County

Present at our regular Board Meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Chris Warren, Robert Tallmadge, Calvin Tallmadge; Hwy Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; Sanitation Officer Bailey DeBetta; and Historian Mel Hager. Absent: Councilman Jamie Baciуска; DCO Amy Cross; and Assessor Caitlyn Brown.

Visitors: Dr Stephen Dygert, Linda Dygert, Alice Burnett, Harvey Fletcher, Barbara Weeden, Lisa Jandl, Honorable Don Ouimet, Shane Strong of Cobleskill Stone, and Derek Gigliotti of Carver Sand & Gravel.

Bills and claims were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Fund

Abstract no 3, claims no 27-40, totaling \$10,909.18

Highway Fund

Abstract no 3, claims no 13-27, totaling \$10,974.44

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

Motion to accept the February 8, 2024 Board meeting minutes, motion made by Robert Tallmadge seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to accept the bills and claims, motion made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Communications:

- 1/ Received the NYClass statements of the Town Deposits
- 2/ Received a notice from Adams Cable of rate increase.
- 3/ Received a letter from the Afton Historical Society, update of visitors.

Committee Reports:

- 1/ Assessor, absent
- 2/ Financial, reports distributed and filed
- 3/ Sanitation, Bailey gave an update of new Septic systems. Also, handed out the Appearance Ticket, but the date will be changing again.
- 4/ Highway, Kirk read the two stone bids, and they were identical bids. The Board requested that we have new bids in 15 days. Motion made to resubmit bids by Chris Warren seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried. Kirk also gave an update of the work done on brush, ditches and shoulders.
- 5/ DCO, report distributed and filed.
- 6/ Building, a new DocuSign for the SAM Grant, for the grant disbursement agreement, will be sent out to Supervisor John Lawrence.
- 7/ Historian, Mel was invited to look at some old medical equipment in the basement of Afton Medical Center for Historical purposes. She is looking into having the Town Clock On the old Town Hall Building fixed for the Re-dedication at America 250. Will be working on getting a bid for the repairs. Also, she has additional interest from the students of ACS in America 250.

Old Business:

- 1/ Setting a date for the Appearance Ticket of the property owner of 366 St Johns Road and 125 Hilltop Drive Afton NY of April 2nd or May 7th.
- 2/ Setting a date for the Appearance Ticket of the property owner of 1617 State Hwy 7 Afton NY of April 2nd or May 7th.
- 3/ Motion to accept and sign the Afton CSG Solar project Decommissioning Plan and Bond by the Town Supervisor. Motion to sign the Decommissioning Bond made by Robert Tallmadge seconded by Chris Warren. Motion to sign the Decommissioning Plan made by Chris Warren seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motions so carried.
- 4/ Town electrical energy, any interest in joining an ESCO agreement with American Power and Gas. Table it for next month. Motion made by Chris Warren seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

New Business:

- 1/ Afton Family Health furnishings for sale, Dr Sally Hartwick discontinuing her practice in Afton. Board to go to Executive Session on this end of meeting for discussion. Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Chris Warren.
- 2/ Review to the local law "Licensing and Setting Licensing Fees of Dogs" to cover the changes of the Chenango SPCA fees. Revisions to be made to Section 4.0 License Fees, To increase fees to \$8.00 Spayed and neutered dogs, and \$15.00 Unspayed and Unneutered dogs. Also, the replacement tag is a \$5.00 fee, not \$1.00. Revision to be made to Section 6.0 Impoundment Fees, to cover the \$50.00 fee per day by Chenango SPCA. Revision to be sent to the Town's attorney for review before it is submitted to the public.

Recognition of Visitors:

Lisa and Barb asked about the delays with the Appearance tickets. Dr Stephen Dygert reviewed a nice history of working with Dr Sally Hartwick over the years. Honorable Don Ouimet gave an update on his required education, his visit to the County Correction Facility, and updates to their Court computers.

Executive Session for the discussion of the Afton Family Health Furnishings for sale.

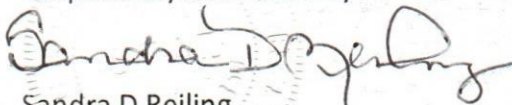
Motion to go into Executive Session made by John Lawrence seconded by Calvin Tallmadge made at 7:55 pm. It was discussed that Chris Warren will reach out to David Rothman to negotiate on the price of the furnishings for next month's meeting.

Motion to leave Executive Session made by Chris Warren seconded by Calvin Tallmadge made at 8.09 pm.

Motion to Adjourn, at 8:10 pm

Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor motion so carried.

Respectfully submitted by



Sandra D Reiling

Clerk of the Board