

Town Of Austerlitz
Regular Town Board Meeting
January 16, 2020

Present: Robert Lagonia, Supervisor, Greg Vogler and Christopher Schober, Town Board Members, Robert Meehan, Highway Superintendent, and Susan Haag, Town Clerk.

Maureen Wilson absent due to training. Jere Wrightsman absent due to vacation.

Town Board Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Moment of Silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

A motion to accept the January 8, 2020 Organizational Town Board Meeting minutes was made by G. Vogler and seconded by C. Schober.

R. Lagonia: yes

G. Vogler: yes

C. Schober: yes

M. Wilson: absent

J. Wrightsman: absent

Motion carried 3:2.

Auditing of Accounts and Claims

A motion to pay General Fund, #1-22, in the amount of \$22947.47, Highway Fund, #1-11, in the amount of \$6863.37 and Capital Fund #1 in the amount of 408.75 was made by C. Schober and seconded by G. Vogler.

R. Lagonia: yes

G. Vogler: yes

C. Schober: yes

M. Wilson: absent

J. Wrightsman: absent

Motion carried 3:2.

Budget Amendments

General Fund

Attorney A1420.4 increase by \$1241.00

Buildings A1620.4 increase by \$245.00

Streetlighting A5182.4 increase by \$218.00

Contingency A1990.4 decrease by \$1486.00

Highway Garage A5132.4 decrease by \$218.00

Highway Fund

Machinery DA5130.4 increase by \$2621.00

Hospitalization DA9060.8 increase by \$3824.00

General Repairs DA5110.4 decrease by \$6445.00

A motion to approve the 2019 budget amendments was made by G. Vogler and seconded by C. Schober.

R. Lagonia: yes

G. Vogler: yes

C. Schober: yes

M. Wilson: absent

J. Wrightsman: absent

Motion carried 3:2.

Reports

Monthly Cash Disbursement and Supervisor Report

Updated Monthly Cash Disbursement for the Month of December 2019 submitted.

Supervisor Lagonia noted he met with Reilly Signs concerning interior signage for the new Town Hall. Highway Clerk, Mary Davis will order name plates for the Town Board and Town Clerk for dais. Reilly Signs will put together a plan and give us options and the Town Board will go from there. Exterior signage next. Contractor Daloia is supposed to finish some things at the new Town Hall; namely railings on the dais and by the front inside entrance step and also make an outside message board. Architect Wallace drew up a plan for the sound boards.

Historian Tom Moreland hopes to be moved in the old Town Hall by Memorial Day. All Town historical records now housed with the Austerlitz Historical Society will come back.

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Meehan reported the couple of 60 degree days hurt the roads making them soft. The Highway Crew has been putting item 4 on soft spots and fixing potholes. Cutting trees and brush as well. The wind is drying the roads out now which is good. The 2009 International truck went down this week with engine issues. It is currently at Funks for repair. Cost will come in between \$7000.00 and \$10000.00. The Truck is worth about \$100000.00. The small Ford truck went down today and repairs needed might be under warranty.

Supervisor Lagonia noted that Attorney for the Town, Joseph Catalano, reached out to Engineer for the Town, Ray Jurkowski, concerning the easements needed for Harvey Mountain. The Town cannot seem to connect with a resident who is not responding to correspondence. This resident is older and does not live in the area full time. Attorney Catalano is checking to see what options the Town has. Engineer Jurkowski and Attorney Catalano also discussed the culvert replacement project on Schoolhouse Road and when bids will go out.

Supervisor Lagonia noted that the tennis courts will need some repair work this spring. The Town will have to spend some money. The court is good, but the fencing and netting is not. Water is getting in holes. Raising up areas.

Town Clerk Report for the month of December 2019 submitted.

No Planning Board Report for the month of December 2019 submitted. Public hearing will continue into February.

No Comprehensive Plan Oversight Committee Report for the month of December 2019 submitted. Did express thanks to Mary Davis for her help over the years.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Report for the month of December 2019 submitted.

Justice Grubin Justice Court Report for the month of December 2019 submitted.

Justice Cassuto Justice Court Report for the month of December 2019 submitted.

Dog Report for the month of December 2019 already submitted.

No Climate Smart Report for the month of December 2019 submitted. Committee did not meet.

A motion to accept the monthly reports was made by G. Vogler and seconded by C. Schober

R. Lagonia: yes

G. Vogler: yes

C. Schober: yes

M. Wilson: absent

J. Wrightsman: absent

Motion carried 3:2.

Correspondence

Maureen Wilson: Resignation from Board of Assessment Review.

Unfinished Business

New Town Hall Update

Wallace Architecture submitted an updated construction budget versus cost sheet for review.

New Business

2020 Columbia County Enhanced Patrol Contract

A motion to authorize Supervisor Lagonia to sign the 2020 Columbia County Enhanced Patrol Contract was made by C. Schober and seconded by G. Vogler.

R. Lagonia: yes

G. Vogler: yes

C. Schober: yes

M. Wilson: absent

J. Wrightsman: absent

Motion carried 3:2.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by G. Vogler and seconded by C. Schober.

R. Lagonia: yes

G. Vogler: yes

C. Schober: yes

M. Wilson: absent

J. Wrightsman: absent

Motion carried 3:2.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan A. Haag, Town Clerk