

TOWN OF TOMPKINS
TOWN BOARD MEETING
December 14, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Tompkins Town Board was called to order at 7:00 pm in the Town meeting room, Trout Creek, NY. With Howie Buttler leading in the Flag salute.

Present:

1. William Layton – Supervisor
2. Howard Buttler – Councilperson
3. Peggy Backus – Councilperson
4. Brian Albanese - Councilperson
5. Tim LaTourette – Councilperson

Others:

1. Michelle Phoenix – Town Clerk
2. Nancy Roberts – Bookkeeper to the supervisor
3. Ronald VanValkenburg – Highway Superintendent
4. Pamela Scofield

Guest Speakers: None

Minutes Approval:

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Backus, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held November 5, 2015

Vote: All Ayes - Motion Carried.

Abstract of Claims

On motion by LaTourette, seconded by Buttler, it was moved to approve the Abstract of Claims for December 14, 2015 as follows: General Fund: \$24,964.84 Highway Fund: \$66,437.72

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Monthly Financial Reports:

Town Clerk:

On motion by Buttler, seconded by Backus, it was moved to receive, approve and place on file the Town Clerk monthly report for November 2015.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report:

On motion by Backus seconded by Buttler, it was moved to approve and place on file the supervisor's financial report labeled Monthly Financial Audit, dated 12/14/2015 as November's monthly report.

Vote: All AYES - Motion carried.

Other Reports:

Planning Board – Octobers 2015 Minutes provided for board to review

Assessor –December 2015 Report provided for board to review

Highway Superintendent

1. A couple trucks went to Milton Cat for repairs.
2. Worked some roads.
3. Drew some gravel and have used about ½ of it, board may want to look into crushing again in 2016.
4. Boom mowing has been done.
5. Last year at this time we had plowed 18 times, none thus far this year.
6. The starter on the 2005 that we will be replacing has gone and is being repaired. Town of Sidney has come and looked at the truck and Ron told them it will be sold at \$70,000, they will take that back to the Sidney Town Board and hope to get the purchase approved.
7. NYS has sent out a Shared Service agreement for emergency purposes. On motion by Layton, seconded by Buttel to approve and sign agreement. Vote: All Ayes – Motion Carried.

Dog Control Officer – None.

Supervisor

1. A thank you letter has been composed and presented for the board to review for the Kounty Critters 4 –H Club thanking them for cleaning the cemetery on Windfall road.
2. The Delaware County Board of Election is going ahead with consolidating the 2 Tompkins EDs into one, to be located at the Tompkins Town Hall in Trout Creek. This will mean the elimination of the Kelsey Community House as a poll site. They will be notifying the NYS BOE shortly of this change, and you can rest assured that Robin and Paula will send cards with the new information out to your voters prior to the Presidential Primary on April 19, 2016.
3. Still have not received a budget from The Hancock Fire District.
4. Bill provided Ron with a list of items that need to be in the First Aid Kit to be OSHA compliant. Ron can provide this list to the medical supplier that is excessively stocking the first aid kit and keep the costs down.
5. Received a email from Patrick Keem, Orchard Park Supervisor asking each Town Board member to sign a letter to be sent to Governor Cuomo requesting that the Tax Cap Legislation be revisited and amended in such was as to alleviate unforeseen negative consequences.

Correspondence: - None

Other – Albanese questioned what the status was with the Creamery Building.

Sewer District

On motion by Layton, Seconded by Buttel to approve the Abstract of Claims for December 14, 2015 for the sewer district in the amount of \$409.05, is after removing the payment to LVDV in the amount of \$ 1799.83

Vote – All Ayes – motion carried

On Motion by Backus, Seconded by Albanese it was moved to approve the Trout Creek Sewer District Financial Report for the month of November 2015.

Vote – All Ayes – Motion Carried

Monthly sewer district worker report for November – Provided

Other Sewer District – Michelle Discussed with the board there are issues with LVDV and trying to complete the budget. After much discussion it was decided that payments to LVDV will be put on hold until they complete their portion of the budget. Bill will also contact Henry Lamont and advice him of these issues in hopes we can get this all resolved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Next Meeting to be held on January 11, 2016 at 6pm

Michelle Phoenix

Date: December 14, 2015

Town of Tompkins
Town Clerk