

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING-FEBRUARY 10TH, 2020

SPRINGPORT TOWN HALL

7:00 pm

Members Present: Supervisor: David Schenck. Councilmen: Richard Hodges, Lloyd Cornell, Mike Selover, (Councilman Andrew Rindfleisch was absent.)

Clerk: Jennifer Schenck

Highway Superintendent: Richard Waldron

Water/Sewer Superintendent: Karl Rindfleisch--CCWSA

Others Present: Howard Tanner (Code Enforcement Officer), Glenn Bundy, Donna O'Hara, Matt McGowan & Teddy Epstein (Falk Renewables)

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and opened with the Pledge.

A. AGENDA:

Mr. Hodges made the motion to approve the Agenda, Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye, All with no discussion.

B. MINUTES:

Mr. Cornell made the motion to approve the Minutes of January 13th, 2020 regular board meeting, Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye, All with no discussion.

C. REPORTS:

1) Codes: Howard Tanner reported that a building permit had been issued to Jeremy Kozub for a solar array on his property pending an area variance. Mr. Tanner had sent this on to the ZBA. Mr. Tanner has also filed his annual report and 2019 census reports.

2) Clerk: Jennifer Schenck reported that she had finally connected with Verizon FIOS and they would be installing it in the office on 2.14.20. Tax Collection was going well, and the Town's warrant had been paid to the Town supervisor. Mrs. Schenck also reported that there would be a number of corrected tax bills, as Cayuga County Real Property found a handful of Agricultural Exemptions that were not filed last year and should have been. The monthly town clerks report was submitted prior to the meeting.

3) Supervisor/Board: Mr. Schenck handed out the monthly supervisor's report. Cayuga County Office of Real Property will come to March's regular meeting to report on their data collection thus far. Mr. Schenck has also asked the Watershed group to come to March's meeting to discuss their goals as well.

4) Matt McGowan (Solar Farm, Falk Renewables)— This solar farm would be located on the Union Springs Academy's property, and the agreement with the school and utilities company is already in place. The project is now in the permit process. Mr. Tanner and Falk Renewables now needed direction from the Town Board, as the Town's current zoning, under Article 4 does not directly address solar farms. Mr. Schenck stated that while creating the new zoning laws, they purposely did not address solar farms, and that the Town Planning Board would be the first step for this new solar farm. This is a community solar project, and 60% of the subscribers must be residential. Anyone in the Town can sign up, and would receive a 10% energy credit.

D. BANK SIGNATURES:

Cayuga Lake National Bank had sent Mr. Schenck paperwork requesting signatures for all account holders with the Town in order to officially add Jennifer Schenck to the Tax Collection Bank Account.

E. 3 MIN. MIKE: Mr. Schenck stated that he had advised the town planning board not to go as a unit to the Dollar General Public Hearing in the Village of Union Springs.

F. OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to discuss.

G. NEW BUSINESS: 1) **BAR Term:** Robert Reohr's BAR term has expired. Mr. Selover made the motion to re-appoint Robert Reohr for another term, seconded by Mr. Cornell. Aye, All with no discussion.

H. DPW REPORT:

Mr. Waldron reported that a Spectrum Engineer had approached him about installing high speed internet lines on Conners, and Webb Road. These lines would run overhead on the utility poles and not underground. On Webb Rd they would not be on the utility poles, they would be on poles on the opposite side of the road. Mr. Waldron asked the board if they would like to move forward with the Hydraulic Study for the Town bridge. Mr. Schenck replied that Tim Carpenter from MRB had told them they had 3 years to get the project done, and the board first needed to start moving money from the B fund to DA Fund. Mr. Waldron also reported that the Town should receive CHIPS money for the next 2 years. Mr. Waldron suggested that the Town could use CHIPS money towards the bridge project as well.

I. WATER/SEWER REPORT:

Karl Rindfleisch reported that he had been working with Gorwydd on water/sewer lines still. There are presently 5 acres with 4-7 potential lots still available. The developer would like each lot to have separate lines, however Mr. Rindfleisch feels this would be too many lines. Mr. Schenck stated that he will write a letter to the owner. The Town will need engineered drawings that must also be submitted to the Health Department in order to move forward.

J. COMMUNICATIONS

- 1) Cornell Roads Program sent information on dates and locations for their programs. Mr. Schenck feels it would be a good idea if the entire highway crew attended these events.
- 2) Skill Path sent information on their 2 Day seminars
- 3) NYS Stretch Energy Codes
- 4) Dig Safety Seminars
- 5) Diamond Communication contacted Mr. Schenck asking if the Town would be interested in a "buy out" instead of monthly installments. Mr. Schenck advised the Town would prefer to stay with the agreed upon installments.
- 6) Cayuga County Emergency Management sent information on preventing the flu.
- 7) NYS DOS: Receipt of Code Enforcement reporting from Howard Tanner
- 8) DEC: invites public comment on Union Springs TRW site clean up
- 10) NYS Boundaries sent a survey map
- 11) NYG&E sent environmental disclosure label

K. FINANCIALS:

1) Mr. Hodges made the motion to pay the following bills: General fund (A) vouchers #21, 25-27, 31-32, 37-44, 46-48, 51, 61, 63,66 totaling \$236,491.81, Town Outside (B) vouchers #45, 49, 52 totaling \$838.95, Highway fund (DB) vouchers #53-60, 62-63, 65, 67 totaling \$6868.49, Water District #1 vouchers # 22, 31-36, 50, 63-64 totaling \$5607.28, Sewer District #1 vouchers #22-23, 26, 31-32, 34-35, 50, 63-64 totaling \$102,574.84, Water District #2 vouchers #24-25, 28-30, 33, 35-36, 50, 63 totaling \$265,627.57, Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye, all with no discussion.

L. ADJOURN:

Mr. Cornell made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye all with no discussion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm

Jennifer Schenck
Town Clerk