

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING- October 9, 2023
SPRINGPORT TOWN HALL 7:00 pm

Members Present: Supervisor David Schenck, Deputy Supervisor: Andrew Rindfleisch Councilmen: Richard Hodges, Lloyd Cornell, and Michael Selover.

Clerk: Kathleen Wilde

Others Present: William Walter Highway Dept.

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

A. AGENDA: Mr. Rindfleisch motion to approve the Agenda, Seconded by Mr. Cornell. Aye, All with no discussion.

B. MINUTES: Mr. Rindfleisch made the motion to approve the September 11, 2023, minutes Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye, All with No discussion.

C. REPORTS:

1) Codes: monthly report delivered to all board members.

2) Clerk: meter installation moving forward. 143 meters installed. 143 customers billed Sept. 1st from Springport-Fleming.

3) Supervisor report: monthly report delivered to all board members.

4) Property Assessor:

Historian- has not had time to keep up with the town's historical events for the 2023 year. The board will consider other options for next year.

Mr. Selover stated the planning board will need two members for 2024.

D. "3-minute mike" Not Applicable at this meeting

E. OLD BUSINESS:

1) Sluice bib timeframe

2) Tentative budget

F. NEW BUSINESS: Dog control- Supervisor Schenck mentioned looking at finding an individual who would set up a kennel for Town Dog Control and maybe even set up a fund to help get the kennel started. There is a person in Homer, NY and maybe interested in supporting the town's need for dog control.

Water 1 material bid\$- there were 3 bids submitted for the south loop project. High bid was \$28,432, then \$26,836. low bid \$25,924. Mr. Hodges made the motion to approve the bid from F.W.Webb Co. in the amount of \$25,924.27. Seconded by Mr. Rindfleisch Aye, All with no discussion.

G. HIGHWAY: partway through fall mowing. Getting trucks ready for winter

J. Water/Sewer: 39 meters installed this month, 23 scheduled. 143 completed.

K. FINANCIALS:

1) Mr. Hodges made the motion to pay the following bills: General fund (A) vouchers #1184, 1186, 1189, 1190, 1193-1197, 1199-1203, 1205, 1206, 1209, 113, 1217, 1218, 1220 totaling \$23,431.35. General fund (B) vouchers # 1186, 1187, 1209, 1215 totaling \$1,402.89 Highway fund (DB) vouchers #1181, 1182, 1188, 1190,

1191, 1207, 1209, 1213, 1214, 1221 totaling \$107,636.26. Sewer District #1 voucher # 1183, 1190, 1196, 1198, 1209, 1210, 1213, 1219, 1220 totaling \$11,262.92. Sewer District #2 voucher #1211 totaling 63.60. Water District #1 voucher # 1185, 1190, 1192, 1198, 1209, 1210, 1213, 1219, 1220 totaling \$4,126.74. Water District #2 voucher #1185, 1190, 1192, 1196, 1198, 1201, 1204, 1208, 1210-1213, 1216 totaling \$4,849.22. Trust & Agency voucher #51 \$3,105.24. Seconded by Mr. Rindfleisch Aye, All with no discussion.

Executive Session: Mr. Hodges made a motion to move to the executive session. Seconded by Mr. Cornell. At 7:15 pm the board moved to executive session. At 7:30 pm Mr. Hodges made the motion to close the executive session. Seconded by Mr. Selover.

Supervisor Schenck said the reason for the executive session was to discuss the butting heads between the clerk and the property assessor.

Supervisor Schenck said he told the assessor if the clerk didn't want to work with the assessor, he would have the assessor name her own clerk for assessment. Supervisor Schenck said he would get the assessor her own drop box so her mail can go in it unopened.

Supervisor Schenck said the assessor wants the office put back how it was. Supervisor Schenck said "and the one the thing that we wanna caution you or just remind you that before you make any changes in there, you need to communicate with the people. That if she came in and moved your desk or records or anything, I don't think you would like it very well without saying anything to you."

"It just works both ways and like I told the board when I was a judge, I turned it around. If somebody came in OK, if that's what you think is fair. Then let's turn it around 180 degrees. And see if it's still OK. You can't do that. That's shared space there, OK. And that little desk she had is the assessor's desk. But with the mailbox for two or three. There's no room. And that rolling file cart and files she used all the time, to bring her stuff that she needed in the board room. Then all of a sudden when it just disappears, and you know you're responsible. She needed to know that you were missing the point. The point was you shouldn't have done that. Without at least checking with her first."

Supervisor Schenck said "You both do a tremendous job for us and we're trying to play middlemen here to keep this place operating and I hope you understand that. Anybody else got anything? Cause she doesn't have any room. You guys are so crowded in there. You really are. And you know, we could put that big gray cabinet back in my office. Down the road, I think we probably really do need Slim's office. For an addition for you or her, whoever needs to. Clean it up and fix it up. That's all we had. And hope you're not offended by it because it's just shared space for all of you. You all got one little piece of turf. And that's all we got."

ADJOURN: Mr. Rindfleisch made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Selover. Aye all with no discussion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm

Kathleen Wilde, Town Clerk