

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting taking place at the Taylor Town Hall on:
April 10, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Present

Supervisor: Bryce Wehner
Councilmen: Riley Closson
Theodore Law Jr. (TJ)
Joey Pudney
Harold R. Eltz (Russell)
Clerk/Tax Collector: Jaymie Closson
Building/Code Enforcement: Michael Andersen (Mike)
Highway Superintendent: Chris Smith
Planning Board Chair: Barb Allen

Absent

Accountant: Deborah Hubbard (Debbie)
Justice: Rollan Elwood
Historian: Sharon Eltz

Others Present:

Public: Wayne Landers, Trail Hounds Snowmobile Club

Bryce called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Prior to the meeting the councilmen were given the chance to read and review March 2018 meeting minutes and also time to review, discuss and sign general and highway fund vouchers for April 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Wayne Landers from the Trail Hounds Snowmobile Club approached the board about the Town Line Road Bridge. Asked if anyone has heard from the state yet? Bryce relayed that he had reached out to them about what would need to be done to be able to still have snowmobiles be able to cross the bridge. No response yet. The state and county do not know who technically owns the bridge since it has been abandoned, but believed to be both Taylor and Cincinnatus since it is on Town Line Road. Wayne asked about getting a grant to fix the bridge but the board did not want to get financially involved. The bridge has been closed to the state inspector's regulations and it is now out of the town's hands. Wayne was told that the Taylor Historical Society may be his best chance at getting a grant since it is on the Historical Registry. Wayne informed the board that the Town of Cincinnatus does not want anything to do with fixing the bridge so he was hoping Taylor would help. It was said that the bridge does not bring any revenue to Taylor so there is no reason to invest a lot of money into fixing it.

PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES DISCUSSION:

None

MOTION to approve the March 2018 meeting minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
TJ Law "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"

CARRIED

ACCOUNTANT’S REPORT DISCUSSION:

None

MOTION to approve the accountant’s report as submitted by the Accountant was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

MOTION to pay payment number two of three of the Fire District contract in the amount of \$12,408.00 was made by TJ Law and seconded by Riley Closson.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

DISCUSSION OF VOUCHERS:

Chris was asked about the McKee’s voucher for the 1-ton truck. He stated that a lot of lights lit up on the dash. It was said to Chris that this was a big bill for a truck with only 51,000 miles on it. All agreed to sign it this time but he needs to start using the 3 big trucks instead of the 1-ton so much.

Discussed that maybe Chris should look into buying some products that he can in bulk and possibly be able to save some money.

MOTION to approve the April 2018 highway fund vouchers in the amount of 11,496.24 was made by TJ Law and seconded by Riley Closson.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

MOTION to approve the April 2018 general fund vouchers in the amount of \$3,328.35 was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

Total Disbursement \$27,232.59

AGENDA TOPICS

- Bryce received a letter from Community Development Renewal from 2004, they were wondering if Taylor had some of their money. All agreed no. Bryce will sign and return.

- NYSEG needs a letter on letterhead stating that we would like to proceed with the LED street lights and that we would like to be added to the waiting list. It also needs to state that we agree to the payback costs on the life remaining in the current bulbs.
- Work has started on the new highway storage building. The landing was built by the county, wasn't very big so more work may need to be done on the backside and a little on the front. Overhead doors are ordered, the metal and trusses are already here.
- The Town Line Road Bridge has been closed to the state's specifications. Stated that the snowmobile club called the state inspector themselves so now the state is involved. They didn't come to the town before calling the state.
- A letter has been sent to the Town of Pitcher about not using our salt shed anymore. Haven't heard anything good or bad yet.
- Doug Connor approached Bryce about getting paid for 2017 cleaning of the Town Hall. All agreed that they would pay him for last year but moving forward it will be done by the town due to liability.
- Discussion on Tim's overtime pay – realizing that no one can dictate the winter weather. Also realizing that all overtime hours are during snow plowing time, no overtime during the summer months.
 - January-March 2016 - 35.5 overtime hours
 - January-March 2017 - 141.5 overtime hours
 - January-March 2018 - 231.5 overtime hours
 - March 2018 – 56 overtime hours, some weekend hours. Tim had more overtime hours than Joe Diaz had regular hours.
 - Budget is still okay but need to keep better track of overtime hours, use time more efficiently. Wondering if a time clock would be more helpful?
 - Haven't heard if Joe is interested in coming back next year to plow or not.
- Discussion about how Cincinnatus Highway didn't help close Town Line Bridge. It now needs to be left to New York State.
- Bryce asked Chris to get him a copy of the Jordan Road abandonment.
- Bryce also asked for copies of any emails that Chris has from corresponding with NYS about Town Line Bridge so they can all go into one file together.
- Clerk has had some safety concerns. Discussion about what can be done to make the town hall/clerk's office more secure.
- Remington McUmbert is interested in doing the dog enumeration this Spring/Summer. He will come to a meeting and get appointed.

PLANNING BOARD: presented by Barb Allen

- Barb discussed with the board what needs to be done to go to a 5 member board with 2 alternates.
 - Once it goes to a 5 member board, it goes to 5 year terms.
 - Have to hold a public hearing for a local law.
 - Jaymie will put notice in the paper to have a public hearing before the May 8 board meeting at 6:30 p.m. for a Planning Board restructure meeting.
- Barb asked about having the files that are in the electrical room moved into the fire rated rooms.
- Nothing could be done on the Planning Board end of the Hubbard Hill camper letter. It is stated right in their deeds about the covenants. Barb advised them to contact a lawyer.
- The Planning Board would like to have a meeting with Mike Andersen sometime in May.

BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT: presented by Mike Andersen

- The town needs to fill out a no charge permit to have on file for the new building.
- Sent a letter to Perry's on Doran Hill about all the things that still need to be done in order to get their Certificate of Occupation. Need a final electrical, blower door test and steps with a landing. He has given them 30 days to complete.
- Received a phone call about a residence that wants to be built on Whitney Road and they would like to put in temporary housing until it is finished.

- Hayes on Cheningo Solon Pond Road didn't realize that she needed a permit. She was advised yes since she is adding on a heated laundry room. She contacted Mike prior to the meeting saying it is not going to be heated now, just a cold room.
- Turns in reports to the state and new code books are sent. Saves the town roughly \$1,200 for the new books since he turns his paperwork to the state. New ones should be sent shortly and they will replace the ones that are missing from the town hall.

HIGHWAY: presented by Chris Smith

- Finishing up winter stuff.
- Talked with NYS Dept. of Transportation about the dip on Town Line Road going across State Route 26, they said they would come check it out.
- Will compile the list of the roads planning on being oil and stoned this year.
- Have not received any complaints yet on pot holes. Planning on starting to fill them soon.
- Had a couple of trees down after the recent wind storm.
- County was over today to clean the dozer, so they should be coming to pick it up soon.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:

- None

CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR REPORT: presented by Jaymie Closson

- 3 death certificates - \$30.00
- 2 dog licenses - \$2.00 to NYS, \$12 to town
- \$100,000.00 to county for taxes
- \$11.52 in tax collector bank interest

Discussion was held about the chairs used for town board meetings.

MOTION to approve the purchase of 6 new chairs was made by Russell Eltz and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”	
Riley Closson	“aye”	
TJ Law	“aye”	
Russell Eltz	“aye”	
Joey Pudney	“aye”	CARRIED

MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:45 p.m. by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”	
Riley Closson	“aye”	
TJ Law	“aye”	
Russell Eltz	“aye”	
Joey Pudney	“aye”	CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaymie Closson

Clerk