

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting taking place at the Taylor Town Hall on:
January 12, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Smith
Councilman/Deputy Supervisor: Riley Closson
Councilmen: Harold R. Eltz (Russell)
Joey Pudney
Theodore Law Jr. (TJ)
Clerk/Tax Collector: Jaymie Closson
Highway Superintendent: Chris Smith
Historian/Deputy Clerk/Planning Bd. Sec.: Sharon Eltz

Absent:

Accountant: Deborah Hubbard (Debbie)
Planning Board Chair: Barbara Allen
Justice: Rollan Elwood
Building/Code Enforcement: Derek Raimo

Others Present:

County Legislator: Mitchel Eccleston

Jeff called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to the meeting the councilmen were given the chance to read and review December 2020 meeting minutes and also time to review and sign general and highway fund vouchers.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mitchel Eccleston shared that the COVID-19 vaccine clinics began tonight at the County Office Building.
- He is now on the Budget & Finance, Agricultural and Judiciary committees and no longer on the Health & Human Services committee.
- There was a new County Coroner assigned since Whitney Meeker resigned
- No county meetings this month, only Budget & Finance

VOUCHER DISCUSSION:

None

PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES DISCUSSION:

None

MOTION to approve the December 2020 meeting minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye"

CARRIED

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT DISCUSSION:

None

MOTION to approve the Accountants Report as submitted by the Accountant was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Russell Eltz.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"

Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

MOTION to approve the January 2021 Highway fund vouchers in the amount of \$17,192.25 was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

MOTION to approve the January 2021 General fund vouchers in the amount of \$24,450.21 was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

Total Disbursement: \$41,642.46

DISCUSSION:

- Salt shed cover is torn. Chris to call insurance company to see if they can do anything. Chris has a couple quotes to replace with a new shed or jus the top. New one could be big enough to store salt and sand or could build a separate one for sand and fix the current one for salt. Have time to think until Spring.
- FEMA extension for Union Valley Rd repairs, still deciding on what route to go with engineer or with FEMA.
- Received a report from the County with how much money was paid to us in 2020.

JANUARY ANNUAL MEETING APPOINTMENTS, MOTIONS AND ADOPTIONS:

- Appointment of Budget Officer, Deborah Hubbard was made by Jeff Smith.
- Appointment of Deputy Supervisor, Riley Closson was made by Jeff Smith.
- Appointment of Deputy Clerk & Registrar, Sharon Eltz was made by Jaymie Closson.
- Appointment of Deputy Highway Superintendent, Jim Smith was made by Chris Smith.
- Appoint Jeff Smith as voting delegate for Association of Towns.

MOTION to accept and approve all of the above was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

- Name NBT Bank and Tompkins Trust Company as the town's official financial institutes.
- Name Cortland Standard Printing Company as town's official newspaper.
- Name Port, Kashdin & McSherry as town's official payroll company.

MOTION to accept and approve all of the above was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"

Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

- Name Derek Raimo as town's Code Enforcement Officer.
- Name Sharon Eltz as town's Historian.
- Name Barbara Allen as town's Planning Board Chair.
- Name Country Acres as town's Animal Control Officer.
- Name Frances Butler as town's Assessor.
- Name John DelVecchio as town's official attorney.
- Name Deborah Hubbard as town's Accountant.

MOTION to accept and approve all of the above was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Russell Eltz.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

- Confirm the following as the Town Planning Board 2021:
 - Chair Person, Barbara Allen
 - Secretary, Sharon Eltz
 - Sharon Pryor
 - Dianna Crandall
 - Wayne G. Elwood (alternate)
 - Judy Wesser (alternate)
 - Christopher Crandall.

MOTION to accept and approve the Town Planning Board was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

- Confirm the following as the Town's Assessment Review Board for 2020
 - Sharon Eltz
 - Marjorie Parks
 - John Walsh

MOTION to accept and approve 2021 Assessment Review Board was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Russell Eltz.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye" CARRIED

- Monthly meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. and to be held at the Taylor Town Hall.
- Allow payment pre-approved of utilities and health insurance to meet due dates.

MOTION to accept and approve all of the above was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye"

CARRIED

- Approve Highway Superintendent salary at budgeted amount of \$44,150.00 for compensation of an expected minimum of 40 hours per week performing town highway business. To be prorated for 26 payments.
- Approve highway wages as budgeted.
- Approve payroll is on Thursdays, bi-weekly starting January 1, 2021.
- Approve payment of \$1,500.00 after deductions, into IRA account for full time employees who have worked for the town at least one year to be paid annually with the last payroll of the year.
- Approve salaries of appointed and employed persons at the budgeted rates.
- Approve payment for Tax Collector on or before June 30, 2021.
- Approve half payment for Clerk on or before June 30, 2021.
- Approve elected officials salaries at the budgeted amount to be paid with the first payroll of December 2021.

MOTION to accept and approve all of the above was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Russell Eltz.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye"

CARRIED

- Adopt Harassment Policy as presented.
- Adopt Procurement Policy as presented.
- Adopt Personnel Policies, Rules and Regulations as presented.
- Adopt Drug Free Workplace Policy as presented.
- Adopt Fair Housing Policy as presented.
- Adopt Excessive Force Resolution Policy as presented.

MOTION to approve policies as presented was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"
Russell Eltz "aye"
TJ Law "aye"

CARRIED

PLANNING BOARD: Presented by Sharon Eltz

- Public Hearing on January 21, 2021 for the Matthew's subdivision on Allen Hill Rd.

BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT: Derek Raimo (absent)

- Report submitted.

HIGHWAY: Present by Chris Smith

- Snow removal
- Power steering pump on International is leaking. It is covered under warranty
- Burchesky Road needed some work done after the Christmas storm. More work in the Spring to be done on it.

- Jeff gave Chris new time sheets to use for him and Tim to keep better track of their hours and what is being done each day.
- Checked into weekly trash pick-up services and it would cost \$30 a month

ANIMAL: Report in the mail

One dog picked up and owner retrieved it.

CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR Presented by Jaymie Closson

\$760 DEC Sales; \$8.36 to town, \$751.64 to NYS

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaymie Closson

Clerk