

The regular meeting for the Town Board of Constable was held on February 8, 2024 at 7:00 PM in the Town Office. Members present were Councilwoman Lemire, Councilmen MacDonald and Leahy, Supervisor Onufer, Town Clerk Prue, and Code Officer Halley. Councilman Wilson was absent.

Guests present were Pat Maguire and Jessica Burditt, Sid G. Spear Insurance and Justice Wisnesky. Constable Residents Tammy Trombley, Mario Lemire, Tina Recore, Jacob Maclin, George Dufrane, Margaret Lester, Jim Lester, Susan Dufrane, Helen Shonyo, Rebecca Recore, Tiffany King, Julie Brusco, Brenda Humiston, Jenna Boussey. Malone Resident Amy Howe. Legislator Greg Janisewski. Constable Firemen James Gavin, Chris Dufrane, Devin Recore, Chris Boussey, Lawrence E. Boussey Sr., Jason Trombley, Iris Shova, Lukas Kompan and M. Kompan.

Councilman Leahy audited the Supervisor's books.

Justice Wisnesky, Town Justice, presented her cashbook for all board members present to review. This was reviewed and signed by all board members present. A motion was made for Resolution #3-2024 by Councilwoman Lemire, seconded by Councilman Leahy to accept cashbook from Justice Wisnesky, motion carried.

On a motion by Councilman MacDonald and seconded by Councilwoman Lemire to accept the minutes from the January 11, 2024 Reorganizational; and regular meeting, motion carried.

Pat Maguire gave his annual presentation for the 2024 town insurance.

CODE OFFICER

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Leahy to go into executive session at 7:25 pm, motion carried.

The purpose for the executive session was to discuss Code Officer Halley's actions in the Buntz situation. Gordie explained what has been done to try and determine the septic/leach field problem. Gordie explained where the new septic and leach field are and where the old leach field begins and ends. A motion was made by Councilman MacDonald and seconded by Councilman Leahy to close the executive session and 7:42 pm. Motion carried.

Regular meeting reopened.

Gordie presented his January report.

Supervisor Onufer reported that he had been contacted by Franklin County and they will not be covering the expenses incurred with the cleanup for the Jessica Sternisha property on State Route 122. The fees will have to be added to next years taxes.

Mr. Jarvis was sent an order to remedy/cleanup his property.

Rental Inspections – nothing new to report.

A motion was made by Councilman MacDonald and seconded by Councilwoman Lemire to accept the Code Officer's report, motion carried.

SOLAR

Citrine - Nothing new to report.

Closed Landfill Solar - Nothing new to report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Supervisor Onufer reported he received an email regarding the new officers for the Fire Dept.

Supervisor Onufer informed the Fire Dept. that he had a check to present to them for ½ of contract from the 2023, they refused to accept it.

One of the Fire Dept. members stated that they need a signed contract in order for him to apply for 2 grants.

Cell Tower – Nothing new to report.

Tax Breal for the members of the Fire Department – Nothing new to report.

Supervisor Onufer informed the Fire Dept. that Councilwoman Lemire and Councilman Wilson want to establish an advisory committee. Jim Gavin stated that they will present this to the board and see if this is something that they would be interested in and he will get back to us. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Leahy to approve the forming of an advisory board.

No resolution on the 2024 contract.

Jim Gavin asked if the board would be interested in having a special meeting to try and settle the contract. The board said they would.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and it was seconded by Councilman MacDonald to close the fire department section of the meeting, motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Supervisor Onufer reported that the NYS Snow & Ice Contract was received. This was signed and returned.

Supervisor Onufer reported he received a Shared Services Contract from Tupper Lake.

Supervisor Onufer reported he received the Franklin County mowing contract, it was signed and mailed back.

Highway Superintendent Martin reported he received 3 bids for the purchase of a generator for the Highway Department.

1. Dow Electric – 14 K Generator - \$18,184.33
2. Dow Electric – 22 K Generator - \$20,910.13
3. Dow Electric – 30 K Generator - \$36,151.33
4. BGR Power – 20 K Generator -\$ 9,770.00

A motion was made by Councilman MacDonald and seconded by Councilwoman Lemire to accept the quote from BGR Power. They require a down payment of \$6,730.00 and the balance will be due upon completion of the installation of the generator, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Martin gave his report for January 2024. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman MacDonald to accept Larry's report, motion carried.

Supervisor Onufer presented the Highway Dept. Fund Monthly Statement for January 2024 for all board members to review. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman MacDonald to accept the Highway Dept. Fund Monthly Statement, motion carried.

Highway Dept. bills were audited and approved #1.- #10.

ASSESSOR

Nothing new to report.

HUD

Supervisor Onufer gave the monthly report.

3 completed
2 in progress

A motion was made by Councilman MacDonald and seconded by Councilman Leahy to accept the HUD report, motion carried.

WEBSITE

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman MacDonald to approve putting the new town board meeting rules put on our website, motion carried.

Rec Park

Supervisor Onufer to contact the Franklin County Sheriffs Dept. to inquire about the speed monitoring devices to be used on Poplar St. near the Rec Park.

Renovations at the Rec Park are on hold until bids go out in the spring.

A motion was made by Councilman MacDonald and seconded by Councilwoman Lemire to offer \$500.00 to the head lifeguard to be Heidi's assistant, motion carried.

TOWN JUSTICE

January funds collected were \$1,555.00 and no voucher has been received yet.

TOWN CLERK

Town Clerk turned in \$204.50 for January 2024.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Leahy to accept the Town Clerk's report, motion carried.

TAX COLLECTOR

All funds due to the Town have been received and any unpaid tax bills have been turned over to the County.

General

All policies and procedures for the Town are to be discussed next meeting. Supervisor to scan and email to all board members to review.

Supervisor Onufer informed the board of the upcoming Webinar for the Sexual Harassment and Discrimination training sessions and we need to register on line.

Court Room Air Conditioner repair – tabled.

Employee handbook -being worked on.

Update on broadband – Nothing new to report.

Supervisor Onufer reported receipt of \$702.84 from the Burchacon Pilot Program.

Supervisor Onufer reported receipt of \$15,040.71 from the F.C.S.W.M.A. for the October – January period.

Savings Statements and Trial Balance for January 2024 was presented for all board members to review.

Supervisor Onufer presented the General Fund Monthly Statement for January 2024 for all board members to review. A motion was made by Councilman Leahy and seconded by Councilman MacDonald to accept the General Fund Monthly Statement, motion carried.

General Bills were audited and approved. #1 - #26

On a motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Lemire, seconded by, Councilman Leahy motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:23 pm.

Susan Prue, Constable Town Clerk