

WHITE CREEK TOWN BOARD MINUTES

DECEMBER 08, 2015

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 08, 2015 at the White Creek Town Hall. Supervisor Robert Shay called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Roll call was taken by the Clerk. Town Board members Joe Bates, James Perry, Erin Sheridan and Barbra Kingsley were all present at the meeting along with Supervisor Shay. Also attending the meeting were Planning Board Chairman Neil Gifford, Budget Officer Laura Manning, Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben, Town Council Elect Tammy Taber and Lance Wang and Town Historian Marilyn Robinson.

The minutes of the November 10, 2015 regular meeting and the minutes of the Special meeting on December 01, 2015 were approved as presented. Motion to approve was made by James Perry, seconded by Erin Sheridan and all voted in favor of approval.

Old Business

Supervisor Shay reported that the new higher wattage bulb has been installed at the corner of County Route 68 and State Route 22 to improve visibility.

Resolution #24-2015 Justice Court Audit

Barbra Kingsley made the motion to adopt a resolution approving the 2015 audit of the Justice Court books. Motion seconded by Joe Bates and all others voted in favor of adoption.

Planning Board

Chairman Neil Gifford reported that a Minor Subdivision submitted by Bill Badgley and Christa Caron was given approval at the December 02, 2015. Neil reminded the Town Board that the Planning Board will have a vacancy

as of January 1st due to Tammy Taber beginning her term as Town Board Member. The clerk will advertise the vacancy in the Eagle.

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Assessor's Report

Assessor Ronna Meerwarth submitted a monthly report.

Town Clerk's Report

Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy submitted her monthly report.

Highway Garage Bid

Resolution #25-2015-Award Electrical Bid to McBain Electric

Erin Sheridan made the motion to award the bid for the electrical work to McBain Electric of Troy, New York at the price of \$78,056.00. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion and all others voted in favor.

Resolution #26 – Award Construction Bid to Hoosick Valley Contractors

Erin Sheridan made the motion to award the construction bid for the Town Garage to Hoosick Valley Contractors of Melrose, New York for the price of \$398,200.00. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of the resolution.

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben stated that he believes going with the two low bids was the proper thing to do. The only additional work that could come up would be that the roof pearling may have to be replaced and he won't know what kind of shape they are in until the roof is taken off. Chris requested that the Board hire Bill Cottrell as Consultant to the project on an as needed basis at one hundred dollars an hour (\$100.00/hr.)

Resolution #27-2015- Hire Bill Cottrell as consultant on Highway Garage Project

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Joe Bates made the motion to adopt said resolution #27-2015 to hire Bill Cottrell as consultant (as needed) at one hundred dollars per hour (\$100.00/hr.) for the Highway Garage Project. Motion was seconded by Erin Sheridan and all others voted in favor of said resolution.

Chris also reported that the Town of Arlington proposed an agreement to pay the Town of White Creek one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) for every time the section of Black Hole Hollow Road is plowed and an additional one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) every time the road is sanded. The services will be rendered until April 2016. Joe Bates suggested inserting into the agreement that either party can cancel the agreement at any time.

Budget Officer's Report

Budget Officer Laura Manning submitted the monthly operating statement to the Board. An end of the year meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 30th at 7:30 pm.

Town Resident's Comments

Shawn Murphy asked about the financing for the Highway Garage Project. Supervisor Shay stated that the Town Attorney is working to secure a Bond Anticipation Note for a fifteen (15) to twenty (20) year period but it will probably be closer to fifteen year.

Supervisor Shay recognized the two outgoing Council Members, Erin Sheridan and Joe Bates with coffee and cake for everyone. Supervisor Shay thanked both Erin and Joe for their years of service on the Town Board and wished them well in the future.

Audit and Pay Bills

Highway Fund: \$25,267.51

General Fund: \$ 6,474.14

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Total Vouchers: \$31,741.66

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy, Town Clerk