

WHITE CREEK TOWN BOARD MINUTES
JUNE 12, 2018

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at the White Creek Town Hall. Members present were Supervisor Robert Shay and Town Board Members Barbra Kingsley, Lance Wang, Tammy Taber and Heath Murphy. Also present were Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben and Budget Officer Laura Manning. Supervisor Shay called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Resolution 32-2018 Approval of Minutes from May 22, 2018 Special Meeting

The Board accepted the minutes as presented

Motion by Lance Wang

Seconded by Barbra Kingsley

All voted in favor

Resolution 33-2018 – Speed reduction request for Meeting House Road

Tammy Taber made the motion to pass a resolution requesting that NYSDOT have Meeting House Road investigated and studied to determine appropriate speed limits.

Motion was seconded by Barbra Kingsley

All voted in favor of said resolution

New Business

Supervisor Shay announced that the July 10th regular monthly meeting will be held at the Jermain Hall on Niles Road in White Creek. Meeting is scheduled for 7 pm.

Upon request, Supervisor Shay stated that he will contact NYSDOT to find out if Chestnut Hill Road and Lincoln Hill Road would be eligible for a speed reduction studies and revaluations.

Planning Board

At the Planning Board's regular monthly meeting on June 6th it was decided that the next monthly meeting will be held on August 1, 2018. The July meeting will be cancelled as it falls on July 4th holiday.

Town Clerk's Report

Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy submitted her report for the month of May. Revenues were in the amount of \$1,997.00. The Town received \$573.07 for revenues collected.

The Town Clerk's Office will be closed on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 due to the Democratic Primary Election taking place at the Town Hall.

Budget Officer's Report

Budget Officer Laura Manning submitted the operating statement to the Board. Laura stated that the Bond Anticipation Note in the amount of \$270,000.00 for the Highway Garage Renovations is due on June 15th. Town Attorney Alan Wrigley is submitting all the appropriate paperwork to the Glens Falls National Bank for approval.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben submitted his monthly report of activities to the Town Board. The crew is done paving for the year. All paving was done on Lincoln Hill Road. A radiator was replaced in the 2005, and spring work and an a/c compressor were placed in the 2001 truck. The new loader has arrived and the old one has been picked up. The flatbed is on the pickup. Chris announced that he has hired Nick Ellsworth to fill the position that was recently vacated by Al Stearns. Nick will begin working on June 25th. Chris provided the board members with the results of the traffic counter which was placed on Niles Road by the Washington County Highway Department for a period of nine days. The results indicated that an average of 49 trucks and 468 cars per day traveled on the road over a period of nine days. Chris also stated that he had met with the Highway Committee and they discussed placing a 3-way stop on Niles Road and Meeting House Road. It was agreed that this area should require a 3-way stop sign. Chris will order the signs along with a stop ahead sign to be placed in the vicinity of Jermain Hall. Chris will also get flags to be placed in order to make drivers aware of the new traffic change.

Resolution 34-2018 – Approval of Monthly Vouchers

Heath Murphy made a motion to adopt said resolution approving the vouchers submitted for payment. Motion seconded by Lance Wang and all others voted in favor of approval.

Highway Fund: \$194,253.09

General Fund: \$ 2,603.17

Total Vouchers: \$196,856.26

Town Residents Comments

The subject of the truck traffic on Niles Road was the main discussion during the public comment period. Rody Walker stated that he feels it's unfair to blame the truck traffic solely on the gravel pit. His farming business operates tractor trailers on the town roads as well so that could be magnifying the counts by the local residents. Barbra Kingsley made it clear that this issue is not about the banning of trucks to travel on the town roads, it has been about trying to find a solution to help the residents of the Town that are being affected by the constant travel of the gravel trucks by their homes. Lance Wang stated that he thought the Highway Committee should be commended for working hard to try and improve safety on the roads and implement traffic calming measures and solutions to make this situation better.

Upon request that a letter be entered into the minutes, Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy read a letter from town residents Nancy and Jonathan Lee and Debra and Paul Mackin. They were unable to attend the meeting. The letter proposed to the Board equitable solutions that will result in a fair distribution of the problems associated with commercial traffic on a town road. The letter was read and will be recorded in the Town's Minute Book. No action was taken by the Board following the reading of the letter.

There being no further business on the agenda, Lance Wang made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Barbra Kingsley and all others voted in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy
White Creek Town Clerk