White Creek Town Board Minutes November 13, 2018

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at the Town Hall. Members present at the meeting were Supervisor Robert Shay, Town Board Members Lance Wang, Barbra Kingsley, Tammy Taber and Heath Murphy. Also present at the meeting were Budget Officer Laura Manning and Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben. Supervisor Shay called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Resolution 56-2018 Approval of Minutes of October 24, 2018 Special Meeting Lance Wang made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the October 24th Special Meeting and approve as presented. Motion was seconded by Barbra Kingsley and all others voted in favor of approval.

Public Hearing – 2019 Town Budget

The Public Hearing was held for the 2019 Town Budget. Supervisor Shay opened the hearing at 7:03 pm for comments or questions. Supervisor Shay stated that the total of the 2019 budget was \$971,589.00, an increase of \$23,768.00 from the 2018 budget. Ron McEvilly asked how the Board was able to stay within the two percent (2%) tax cap. Supervisor Shay stated that fund balance from the general and highway accounts were used to offset the budget. There were no other comments or questions. The hearing was closed at 7:15 pm.

Resolution 57-2018- Approval of 2019 Town Budget

A motion was made by Lance Wang to adopt the 2019 Budget as written. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion and roll call vote as follows:

R. Shay Aye

L. Wang Aye

B. Kingsley Aye

T. Taber Aye

H. Murphy Aye

The 2019 Budget passed by a 5-0 vote

Following the Budget Hearing, the Board resumed the regular monthly meeting.

Planning Board Report

Resolution 58-2018 – Resignation of Planning Board Member Neil Gifford Barbra Kingsley made a motion to accept the resignation of Neil Gifford from the Planning with regret. Motion was seconded by Heath Murphy and all others voted in favor.

Resolution 59-2018 – Resignation of Tara Nolan as Chairwoman of Planning Board

The Board accepted the resignation of Tara Nolan as the Chairwoman of the Planning Board effective immediately. Tara will continue to serve as a member of the Planning Board. Barbra Kingsley made the motion to accept the resignation, seconded by Lance Wang and all in favor.

Resolution 60-2018- Appointment of Ron McEvilly as Chairman of Planning Board

Due to the resignation of Tara Nolan as Chairwoman, a Chair of the Board is needed for the remainder of the year. Barbra Kingsley made a motion to appoint Ron McEvilly as Chairman of the Planning Board for the remainder of the 2018 year effective immediately. Heath Murphy seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of the appointment.

Town Clerk's Report

Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy reported total revenue for the month of October was \$4,602.00 with \$414.67 submitted to the Supervisor.

Assessor's Report

Assessor Ronna Meerwarth was not present at the meeting, but did submit a monthly report of activities to the Board.

Budget Officer's Report

Budget Officer Laura Manning submitted the monthly operating statement to the Board. It was decided to hold the End of Year Meeting on Tuesday, December 18th at 7pm.

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben submitted the monthly report to the Board. The crew has been busy ditching and checking culverts making sure they are clean for the winter. They have finished grading and all trucks are ready for the winter weather. Peckham's has repaved over 5800 feet on Chestnut Woods that was coming apart and they will return in the spring to fix around 6000 feet. This is all warranty work. Chris will be meeting with Verizon on Wednesday, November 14, 2018 in regards to the phone issues at the Town Garage.

Audit Report

Resolution 61-2018

Heath Murphy made the motion to approve all vouchers submitted for payment. Lance Wang seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of approval.

General Fund: \$10,849.79 Highway Fund: \$31,084.15

Total: \$41,933.94

Town Historian's Report

Town Historian Ted Rice submitted a report of his monthly activities to the Board.

There being no further business on the agenda and no comments or questions from the public, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Shay, seconded by Lance Wang and all others voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy White Creek Town Clerk