

WHITE CREEK TOWN BOARD MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2019

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. Supervisor Robert Shay called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Members present were Supervisor Shay and Town Council Members Barbra Kingsley, Lance Wang, Tammy Taber and Heath Murphy.

Resolution 51-2019 Approval of November 12, 2019 Minutes

Lance Wang made a motion to waive the reading of the November 12, 2019 minutes and approve them as presented. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of approval.

Resolution 52-2019 - Off Site Town Board Meetings for 2020

After a discussion, it was decided by the Board that the May 12, 2020 and October 13, 2020 Town Board Meetings will be held at the Jermain Hall. The June 9, 2020 Town Board Meeting will be held at the Highway Garage on County Route 68. All other meetings will be held at the Town Hall.

Resolution 53-2019 – Letter of Support for ASA Grant Proposal

Renee Bouplon Associate Director of Agricultural Stewardship Association was present at the meeting to request a letter of support from the Board in regards to the grant proposal which seeks needed funds to help with the bridge re-decking at the recently acquired Cambridge Community Forrest. The bridge repairs are important to provide safe access to the property. Lance Wang made a motion to provide a letter of support to the grant proposal, but would like to add to the letter stating that after the outreach and consensus of the citizens on the designated access route, the Town Board believes the project to be a benefit to the area. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion, Supervisor Shay voted no and all others voted in favor of said resolution.

Resolution 54-2019 – Appointment of Barbra Kingsley to Steering Committee for Village Recreation Grant

At the October 08, 2019 meeting, Village Trustee Alex Dery Snider had asked if a Town Board Member would be willing to join the Steering Committee for the Recreation Economy for Rural Communities Grant. At the time the decision was tabled due to the fact that a full Board was not in attendance that evening.

Therefore, this evening Supervisor Shay made the motion to appoint Barbra Kingsley to the Steering Committee for the Rural Communities Grant received by the Village of Cambridge. Lance Wang seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of the appointment.

Town Clerk's Report

Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy collected \$3,572.00 in revenue for the month of November. The town's portion was \$255.51.

Budget Officer's Report

Budget Officer Laura Manning submitted the monthly operating statement. She scheduled a year end meeting for Monday, December 30, 2019 @ 7pm.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben submitted a monthly report of activities to the Board. The crew has been out nine (9) times plowing and sanding and gone around sixteen (16) times. Eleven hundred yards of sand and one hundred ton of salt has been used. Chris talked with the Board about the problem of residents pushing snow across the roadway. This is occurring often and he would like to run a notice in The Eagle stating that it is illegal to do so under the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law 1219.

Audit Report – Resolution 55-2019

Heath Murphy made a motion to approve the payment of the monthly vouchers in the amount of 19,689.86. Lance Wang seconded the motion and all others voted in favor.

Justice Court Report

Judge Scott Lucey submitted the monthly report of \$3258.00 for November 2019.

Dog Control Officer Report

Dog Control Officer Nancy Quell was present at the meeting. Nancy stated that to date she has received 33 calls for the town in 2019. She has taken in ten dogs,

had seven reclaimed and two adopted. The kennel has four more large walk-in kennels and a new heater is being installed.

Sylvia Sebastian a resident of Quaker Hill Road was present at the meeting to discuss an ongoing dog issue that she has with a neighbor's dog continually barking. She had contacted the Dog Control Officer Nancy Quell on numerous occasions but her complaint was not forwarded to the Town Court. Dog Control Officer Nancy Quell stated that the complaint has been forwarded to the Judge and an appearance ticket has been issued to the dog owner for a court date on Thursday, December 12, 2019. The Board agreed that the complaint should have reached the Judge in a timelier manner.

Town Residents Comments

Deputy Supervisor Lance Wang recognized Supervisor Shay as his career of Supervisor comes to an end this month. Supervisor Shay has served the Town as Supervisor since 2004. Deputy Supervisor Wang thanked Supervisor Shay for his dedicated service to the Town.

Adjourn

Barbra Kingsley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Lance Wang and all voted in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.