# WHITE CREEK TOWN BOARD MINUTES APRIL 13, 2021

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at the Town Hall. The full Board was in attendance, Supervisor James Griffith, Town Board Members Lance Wang, Barbra Kingsley, Tammy Taber and Heath Murphy. Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben and Budget Officer Laura Manning were present as well.

### Resolution 14-2021 – Approval of March 09, 2021 Minutes

Lance Wang made a motion to waive the reading of the March 09, 2021 Town Board Minutes and approve as presented. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of approval.

#### Resolution 15-2021 – Endorsement Letter – Bentley Farm

Lance Wang made the motion to approve the signing of a letter endorsing the Agricultural Stewardship Association's (ASA) Dairy Transitions Farmland Protection Initiative Grant proposal to the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets for a perpetual conservation easement on the Bentley Farm located on State Route 313. Barbra Kingsley seconded the motion and all others voted in favor.

#### Resolution 16-2021 - Tour of the Battenkill - New Date of Event

Barbra Kingsley made a motion that the Town acknowledges and has no objection to the Tour of the Battenkill being held on Saturday, June 19, 2021.

#### **Resolution 17-2021 – BridgeNY Grant Application**

A resolution to designate CHA Consulting, Inc. to assist in the application for a BridgeNY Grant. Motion was made by Barbra Kingsley, seconded by Tammy Taber and all voted in favor. If received, the grant would cover the cost to replace a T2 bridge on Ash Grove Road.

#### **Resolution 18-2021 – Highway Department Summer Hours**

The Board approved a request from Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben to transition over to summer hours consisting of four (4) ten (10) hour days beginning April 19, 2021 through October 14, 2021. Motion to approve the

request was made by Lance Wang, seconded by Barbra Kingsley and all others voted in favor.

## Resolution 19-2021 – Special Meeting scheduled for April 21, 2021

Said resolution was passed to schedule a Special Meeting on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 to accept or reject bids from Auctions International for the 2017 Chevy Silverado Pickup Truck and the 2014 Wacker Neuson EW100 excavator. Motion by Lance Wang, seconded by Barbra Kingsley and all others voted in favor.

## Resolution 20-2021 – Approval of vouchers submitted

Heath Murphy made the motion to approve the payment of vouchers submitted in the amount of \$33,379.56. Lance Wang seconded the motion and all others voted in favor.

### **Assessor's Report**

Assessor Ronna Meerwarth submitted a monthly report to the Board. The tentative tax roll has been completed and submitted to the County. There 18 transfers, one combination, and three splits, with 12 being actual sales. The notices of change of assessment will be mailed out soon.

# **Town Clerk's Report**

Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy reported revenue for the month of March in the amount of \$625.00 with the Town receiving \$326.26. Tax collection has been completed for this year. Total taxes collected was \$2,471,252.21, unpaid taxes returned to the County Treasurer totaled \$349,251.67 (122 parcels unpaid). The Town will receive \$5,302.01 for penalty fees collected.

# **Highway Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Chris Rieben reported that the crew has started to sweep and grade roads. It does look like the Town will be receiving more money through the CHIPS and PaveNY. The new pickup is in service. They had done some digging for the Village at the site of the new Fire House on Gilbert Street.

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# **Budget Officer's Report**

Budget Officer Laura Manning submitted the monthly operating statement to the Board for review.

There being no further business on the agenda, Lance Wang made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Tammy Taber and all voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy White Creek Town Clerk