

WHITE CREEK TOWN BOARD MINUTES
MAY 09, 2023

The White Creek Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 09, 2023 at Jermain Hall. Supervisor Griffith called the meeting to order at 7pm. Roll call was taken by the Clerk; all members were present at the meeting: Gregory Austin, Tammy Taber, Lance Wang, Gregory Woodcock and Supervisor James Griffith. Also present: Budget Officer Laura Manning, Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben and Town Assessor Darryl Caputo.

Resolution 21-2023 – Approval of April 11, 2023 Town Board Minutes

Said resolution was passed to adopt the minutes of the April 11, 2023 Town Board Meeting as presented. Motion by Gregory Woodcock, seconded by Gregory Austin and all others voted in favor of adoption.

New Business

Resolution 22-2023 – NYS Retirement Record of Activities Report

The Board passed the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials for the titles of Town Clerk and Budget Officer. Motion by Lance Wang, seconded by Tammy Taber and all others voted in favor of said resolution.

Request from Woodlands Cemetery Association

Art Center a member of the Woodlands Cemetery Board was present at the meeting. Mr. Center asked if the Town of White Creek would be willing to donate 2 or 3 loads of gravel to the cemetery for road repair and work to the maintenance building. Mr. Center explained that usually the Town of Cambridge donates the gravel but they were unable to do so this year. Kendall Turner of Crik Gravel, LLC, was in the audience and he volunteered to donate the gravel if the Town of White Creek would haul it to the cemetery. All agreed on the arrangement and Chris will follow up with Crik Gravel and Richard Wirmusky the caretaker of the cemetery to make arrangements to deliver the gravel.

Town Residents Comments

Renee McEvilly expressed concern about possible migrant housing in Washington County and specifically in the Town of White Creek. Supervisor Griffith stated

that there had been some discussion at the Board of Supervisor's meeting but no action had been taken thus far.

Assessor Report

Town Assessor Darryl Caputo submitted a monthly report to the Board. Grievance Day will be held on May 23rd. Darryl reported that 246 changes in assessment notices had been sent out to residents.

Town Clerk's Report

Town Clerk Lisa Austin-Cuddihy reported revenues of \$826.00 for the month of April 2023. The town's portion was \$176.23.

Budget Officer's Report

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

Highway Superintendent's Report

Highway Superintendent Chris Rieben submitted a monthly report of activities to the Board. Chris announced that the CHIPS money for this year is \$302,714.16; this is an increase of \$24,714.16 from last year. Close to 3 miles of Ash Grove Road will be paved with the CHIPS money and additionally topping will be done in front of Clark's farm and the hill down to Chestnut Woods on McKie Hollow Road. In total it will be just over 3 miles. Chris reported that he has discussed replacing the pickup truck and loader with the highway committee. He is waiting for some pricing on the loader and then will move forward with purchasing a new pickup and loader.

Audit Report

Resolution 23-2023-Approval of Vouchers for Payment

Gregory Woodcock made the motion to approve all vouchers submitted for payment in the amount of \$30,085.17 (General Fund \$7,085.90 and Highway Fund \$22,999.27). Lance Wang seconded the motion and all others voted in favor of approval.

Justice Court Report

Town Justice Scott Lucey submitted the monthly report for April in the amount of \$4,196.50.

Miscellaneous

Gregory Woodcock reported that he had received some complaints about unkempt properties in the Town. He visited a homeowner on May 7th and spoke with them about cleaning up the property. Gregory stated that it has only been a few days but he sees improvement on the property already. In regards to the building repairs, Gregory Woodcock stated that he has spoken with Sue Mowry from Washington County Alternative Sentencing Program and she would be able to schedule 2 or 3 people to begin the painting of the town hall possibly by sometime in June.

Adjourn – Resolution 24-2023

There being no further business on the agenda, Supervisor Griffith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lance Wang seconded the motion and all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Austin-Cuddihy
White Creek Town Clerk