Amended

Town of Pine Plains Board Meeting
April 21, 2016

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Brian Coons – 6:00 pm, Pledge of Allegiance recited

Board members attending: Gary Cooper, Donald Bartles, Sarah Jones – Absent Richard Brenner
Approximately 12 members of the public and 3 School Board Candidates attended.

Minutes of 3/17/2016 meeting and Town Clerks Report - Motion to accept Cooper, Bartles 2nd All aye

Supervisor Statement – Route 83 Speed reduction to 45 mph approved by NYS DOT does not include the 30 mph limit in the hamlet of Shekomeko, signs to be installed by DPW. Highway Superintendent to determine if additional signs will be needed.

James Reilly Matter – William Wollens recommends Town hire Labor Attty Andrew Zwebeg as Hearing Officer in this matter. Motion to hire by Jones, Bartles 2nd All aye

PPCSD Budget Update – Dr. Handler made a presentation of proposed school budget 2016/2017 school year. He reviewed the points in the handout he brought and introduced the candidates to the assembly. He answered questions from the floor. Board thanked Dr. Handler for his time.

Paul Zerbatto reviewed the insurance policy renewal – approval tabled until next months meeting.

Councilperson Jones proposed vouchers 221 through 267 be approved, Supervisor Coons 2nd. All aye

Public Comments:

John Hoffman thanked the Board for the installation of stop signs at the intersection of Hoffman, Hall Hill and Dam Roads. It is much safer now.

Jane Waters stated that there is no detour sign on Route 199 approaching Rt 82 from the east.

Assessors Report:

Jim Mara said the tax roll was filed on 4/19/2016. The new information may be available on line as early as 5/2/2016 but printed copy may not be here for a week or more. Most taxpayers will see no change, letters will only be sent to those with changes. The new STAR program will begin this year. The new program, for people coming into system, will be a deduction on income taxes instead of adjustment on the bills. The assessors will be available to meet with the public Monday 5/9/16 through Wed, 5/11/16, Thurs. evening 5/12/16 and Saturday 5/14/16. Very few people have come, in past years. Grievance day is 5/24/2016 from 2 to 4 pm and 7 to 9 pm in the Town Hall.

PPWIA:

Gary said meters have been read, and bills have been sent out. Payments have started coming into the new PO Box #1083. We will not be refurbishing the tank this year, the cost is too high.
Supervisor Coons reported that updated job descriptions have been received for Water Co. staff and not much has changed. There will be monthly reports to the Board for billing and receipts. There will be one report for all activity. After review of job descriptions Supr. Coons motioned to accept them Cooper 2nd. All aye

**Engineers Report** - Ray Jurkowski reported scope of work to be done at the intersection of Rt 199 and Main St. that was put out to bid. If the work area is confined to the four corners, the bids are within the budget limits. He recommends accepting the lowest bidder J Mullen and Sons at $522,000. and accept the bid in two stages. The work at Factory Lane is to be accepted separately.

The base bid of $464,000.00 for work at Rt 199 and Main St as amended. Motion to accept made by Supr. Coons, Cooper 2nd. All aye

Motion to accept Factory Lane bid of $120,493.70 as is, made by Supr Coons, Cooper 2nd. All aye

Reports from the Building Inspector; Police Dept; Animal Control all received.

**Recreation:**

Jen Chase's list of Water Safety Instructor Employment Recommendations is the same as Catherine's, with Emma added to list. Motion to approve PP Summer/Day Camp by Supr Coons, Jones 2nd. All aye

Catherine's list contingent upon certification and background check. Motion to approve Jones, Bartles 2nd. All aye

Richard Douglass has applied to become a member of the Recreation Board – after a short discussion it was decided to table this for next meeting.

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Catherine reported that the fields are in great shape. She spoke with Heather and was told the fields are not part of Highway Dept. responsibility. The Board said the decision regarding mowing will be made in the Executive Session. She will get an answer after the Session.

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5/12/2016 is date of Emergency Preparedness meeting.

Budget for camp, the money should be taken out of fund balance. Jones suggests setting up a line in the budget to reflect camp income.
Jen said budget workshop information to be passed on to the Board members and Budget Officer this summer. She will do it when the bills come in June and July.

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Town Attorney Report: No public report this month

Highway Department Report:

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7:59 Motion to go to Executive Session – Jones, Bartles 2nd. All aye

8:27 Board back in session – Robert Couse to be hired for seasonal mowing at same salary as last year Concession stand to remain Town operated. Motion by Bartles; Jones 2nd. All aye

8:29 Motion to adjourn meeting Bartles, Jones 2nd. All aye

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