

April 18, 2019

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7: 00 PM. All Board members were in attendance as well as Recreation Director Michael Cooper; Highway Superintendent Heather Emerich; Assessors Rich Diaz and Jim Mara; Building Inspector Drew Weaver; Officer in Charge (OIC) John Hughes; Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky; the Reporter from the Millerton News and six members of the community.

Supervisor called the meeting to order and the Pledge was done.

Supervisor opened the Public Hearing and asked for public questions or comments. There were none. Motion by Cloud second by Chase to close the public hearing 5-0 passed.

Town Clerks minutes and Monthly Report – Motion by Jones second by Zick to accept as submitted the March Report and the minutes of March 21st and the April 8th workshop meeting 5-0 passed.

Bills – Motion by Jones second by Chase to approve General bills #16577-16597 & #16615-16621; Highway bills #16598-16611 and PPWIA bills #2862-2863 5-0 passed.

Supervisors Statement – Cloud read her statement to all. (On file)

Public Comment – None

NYS Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution – Supervisor explained why this needs to be done and Councilman Jones said it is also so the State knows the accurate record when the employee retires. Motion by Jones second by Zick to approve upon the knowledge that two more employees' calendars are needed before it can be sent to Albany 5-0 passed.

Local Law #1 of 2019 Resolution – Supervisor read said resolution to all. Motion by Chase second by Zick to approve adopting Local Law #1 of 2019 5-0 passed.

Resolution to approve selling the Old Library - Supervisor read the Resolution to all. Attorney to the Town Replansky said residents have thirty days to file a petition for a permissive referendum. Clerk to publish this Resolution in our official paper. Motion by Zick second by Chase to so approve said Resolution 5-0 passed.

Attorney to the Town Report - Replansky said he will need an executive session regarding the Hart property.

Highway Department Report – Heather stated they received a check for the surplus equipment that was sold in the amount of \$10,270.00. She also said she needs the Boards approval to spend Highway funds and that we are only receiving \$167,415.45 from Chips and \$20,854.63 from Pave NY this year. She asked for approval to attend Highway School at Ithaca College June 3rd to June 5th. Motion by Jones second by Zick to so approve 5-0 passed. Heather spoke to Michael Orlandi at the Dept. of Public Works regarding registering and insuring highway equipment. She was told if it travels on the road this does need to be done and all will be done.

The fleet fuel card will be discussed at the next Town Board workshop meeting. Heather stated the crew was upset about the comments regarding this at the last Board meeting. Councilman Jones stated that no comments were personal about the Highway crew and the Board was not insinuating anything wrong by the crew. The Board feels this should be run by our Bookkeeper Karena Frenzel. Councilman Jones

added she is not against it just wants more information. She is sorry if anyone was offended. Councilman Bartles asked about 24 hour availability and stated we have a generator the other two places may not. Supervisor asked Heather about a tree on the Tim Richards property. Heather said she will check it out.

Building Inspector Report – All have the report and Drew stated his in service training will start on Wednesday. On file

Assessors Report – Chairman Diaz stated he had a lot of trouble getting information regarding LEED. It will cost a lot of extra work if we do this. He does not want to do this. Councilman Jones feels not to go forward with this LEED for tax relief, Councilman Zick agrees. Motion by Jones second by Bartles to not undertake such a program 5-0 passed.

Police Department Report - OIC Hughes read the report and all have. (On file) Hughes asked about the applicant from last month and stated he would be per diem to fill in. Motion by Zick second by Jones to hire Mark Perrotta contingent upon being authorized by the County 5-0 passed. OIC feels we should have some kind of contract. Councilman Jones suggested a two year commitment. Hughes said that is what he was thinking as there is a lot of money invested when hiring an Officer, \$4000- \$5000. Attorney to the Town Replansky said they could lay it out and we could repay them after two years with the Town. He said to send him the information and we will do an agreement.

Hughes also asked about a Police Matron. He said an EMS or Fire Personal. He feels we should have one when a female or junior female is in custody so two male Officers are not alone with them. He also feels we should look into getting a camera. Councilman Jones is in favor of both and feels we need to protect our Officers. Motion by Jones second by Chase authorizing OIC Hughes to go ahead with the camera purchase 5-0 passed. Hughes will contact our IT man about the camera.

PPWIA Report – Supervisor read the report in the absence of Jurkowski. All have. (On file)

Recreation Report – Cooper asked to replace the refrigerator at the concession stand, cost \$500-\$1000. He said opening day for baseball/softball is April 28th, and there will be a Skills and Drills Clinic on April 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 for children and adults. Motion by Jones second by Zick to approve the purchase of the refrigerator 5-0 passed. Supervisor asked Cooper for an excel spread sheet for the Banners. He will get it to her.

Town Insurance Renewal – Supervisor said NYMIR insurance is down by \$200. From last year and will go down more when the old Library is sold and will go up a little if we purchase something. Councilman Jones asked if we should do the cyber insurance and Attorney to the Town Replansky said we should. Motion by Bartles second by Jones to approve the NYMIR insurance with the cyber insurance 5-0 passed.

Supervisor said the Group of Strangers girl came in and they are no longer going to fund this and pay her. Councilman Chase said perhaps Berkshire Taconic might be interested.

Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee- Supervisor listed the names of potential members to this committee. They are Tim Berlinghoff, John Hoffman III, Scott Chase, Rory Chase, David Conte, Wesley Chase, and Darrah Cloud. Brief discussion took place and motion by Jones second by Zick to authorize these people as members 5-0 passed. Attorney to the Town Replansky asked if they are going to comply with the open meetings law and stated he recommends they do comply.

Councilman Bartles would rather they just have two public meetings and Replansky said they can do that.

Deputy Clerk Ann Noone submitted a letter regarding the Clerk hours on Saturday and asked that they be discontinued. She said Saturday hours would be more worthwhile around hunting season. Motion by Zick second by Chase to discontinue the Saturday hours and resume them in August and when the Town Clerk feels it will be beneficial 5-0 passed.

Councilman Jones asked for permission to attend an Affordable Housing session at Pace University at a cost of \$25.00. Supervisor Cloud said she also wants approval to attend. Motion by Zick second by Bartles to so approve 5-0 passed.

Motion by Zick second by Chase to go to executive session regarding the Hart property; Stissing Farms and the road near the Post Office 5-0 passed.

Motion by Jones second by Bartles to return to regular order of business 5-0 passed.

Motion by Jones second by Zick to adjourn 5-0 passed.

Town Clerk

Supervisor _____

Councilman Jones _____

Councilman Bartles _____

Councilman Zick _____

Councilman Chase _____