

May 16, 2019

Meeting of the Town Board on the above date at 7:00pm. All Board members were in attendance. Also attending were Summer Camp Director Jen Chase, PPWIA/Town Engineer Ray Jurkowski, Assessors Chairman Rich Diaz, Building Inspector Drew Weaver, Officer in Charge (OIC) John Hughes, CAC Chairman John Hoffman III, Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky, the Reporter from the Millerton News, and fifteen to twenty members of the public.

Supervisor Cloud called the meeting to order and the Pledge was done. Motion by Jones second by Bartles to accept the Town Clerks minutes of April 15th Workshop meeting and the April 18th regular Monthly meeting minutes and the Report for April 2019. 5-0 passed.

Bills – Motion by Jones second by Zick to approve Highway bills #16647-16660, General bills #16701-16737, PPWIA bills #2869-2870 and the bill to G.E. Masten Feed turned in late. 5-0 passed.

Supervisors Statement – Cloud read. (On file)

Public Comments – Frank Volz thanks the Supervisor for her Town emails.

Budget Line Item Transfers – Supervisor read the first quarter line item transfers needed. (On file) Motion by Chase second by Bartles to so approve said transfers. 5-0 passed.

Proposed Speed Limit Resolution– Supervisor read proposed Resolution. Councilman Chase stated the correct form was not used for these before. Motion by Zick second by Jones to approve said Resolution. 5-0 passed.

Habitat for Humanity Presentation on Affordable Housing - Dennis Wedlick Brenda Adams and Maureen Lashlee gave the presentation and answered questions from the public. They said there will be an Open House in Ancramdale for anyone to attend. It is a six to eighteen month process to buy a home with a thirty year mortgage and there are three things needed for the process to start. They are income verification, review for credit approval and mortgage availability.

PPCS District Budget Presentation – Michael Goldbeck Asst. Superintendent for Business& Finance gave the presentation and a handout stating the items on the budget. (On file) He noted that the vote is Tuesday, May 20th from 7am to 9 pm.

Attorney to the Town Report – Warren gave his recommendations on the changes that need to be made for the Deuel's property to be zoned as recreation. Warren said this can be given to the buyers as long as they understand it is only from the Towns Attorney and they need their own Attorney. They also need to know it is not binding on the Town Board.

Sale of the old Library- Warren stated it is moving forward and was sent to their Attorney yesterday.

Purchase of the Pulver House - Warren would like to discuss in executive session.

Highway Department Report – Superintendent is not here. Supervisor said that Town "Clean Up Day" will be September 7th and we will be selling the old Road signs for \$20.00 each at that time.

There are forms in the Secretary to the Supervisors Office for access to the brush and leaf pile for Landscapers who work for Town residents.

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Highway Salary Increases – Discussion followed regarding increasing the men’s salaries Motion by Bartles second by Jones to approve as recommended the salaries. (On file) 5-0 passed.

Employee Handbook – Discussion followed and the Board wants more time to look this over.

Sale of Road Signs - Motion by Jones second by Zick to sell the old Road Signs for \$20.00 each on Town “Clean Up Day” 5-0 passed. The Highway workshop meeting notes are on file.

Building Inspector Report – Drew Read and all have the Report.

Assessors Report – Chairman Diaz stated that the letters went out notifying property owners of their increase in assessments. He said the Assessors only handle the assessments not the taxes. Property owners can come in to their office and discuss any concern about this with the Assessors.

Police Department Report – All have the report and John read it. He said the Town “IT” man is looking into the cameras instead of a Matron as John’s investigation into that leans toward the cameras. Parking regulations seems to have rectified itself according to John.

PPWIA Report – All have the report and Ray read it. He said the Town was awarded a “SAM” grant for the sidewalk repair along Route 199 and he will create a location map so there is no confusion; we may not be allowed to use it for the Crosswalk near the Library. The “SAM” grant was written and awarded in in 2016.

Recreation Department Report – Jen Chase Summer Camp Director told the Board she appreciates their support. The registration forms are out and we have good applicants for the help at the Camp. She said she is also working with the Tri-Athlon and Mark and Tonia Wilson which will be held June 30th. She said they are looking for volunteers. Recreation Director Mike Cooper said you can get 20% off the admission price for helping set up or cleaning up at any of Wilsons Tri-Athlons and a T-shirt.

The Summer Camp and Beach recommendations for employment were given to the Board. (On File) Motion by Zick second by Jones to approve as recommended. 5-0 passed.

Mike approached the Board about getting “Family ID”. He gave a handout and explained how it works. He was asked if it is in his budget and he replied yes. Motion by Zick second by Cloud to so approve. 5-0 passed.

He announced that the Beach will open on June 30th. Rachel Minkoff asked if when the beach is going to be closed to please notify the Lake Association via email.

Supervisor said that our maintenance man Robert L. Couse feels that signage at the beach are useless. Discussion followed and this was tabled.

CAC Report – Chairman John Hoffman III stated discussion regarding C-SLAP took place at the CAC meeting.

Steve Miller addressed the Board regarding the beaver situation with dead trees on the shoreline. He said the beavers are killing the trees and the eco system is out of balance. He just wanted to bring the issue to the Boards attention. Keven Walsh stated that the beaver population is where it has to be, put chicken wire around the trees. He said when the beaver population is too populated they move on.

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Ask DEC to make a site inspection at the farm where the man made dam was built at the South end of Thompson Pond over the culverts.

Hoffman would like a work shop on the three lakes. Supervisor wants to look into bio char for the Town, Hoffman agrees and asked where. Cloud said looking at for our brush pile location. It is felt that on the Comprehensive Plan survey it should have a question on how they use the lake.

New Business - Supervisor read the letter from the Town Decorating Committee regarding the gazebo and the tree they decorate for Christmas.(On file) Councilman Bartles stated the tree is in good condition, they simply want a smaller tree and the gazebo is not as bad as they are saying. Supervisor feels the park is ugly and we need to get some plans for it.

Motion by Zick second by Jones to go to executive session regarding the Ruth Pulver House and the Fire Dept. 5-0 passed.

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

Motion by Bartles second by Chase to accept as amended the Resolution for the purchase of the Ruth Pulver House and authorize Supervisor Cloud to sign the contract. 5-0 passed. Atty. to the Town Replansky to send the required notices to be published and the revised Resolution/ contract to the Town Clerk.

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

Town Clerk

Supervisor _____

Councilman Jones _____

Councilman Bartles _____

Councilman Zick _____

Councilman Chase _____