

At a special board meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Carroll, Chautauqua County held on the 14th day of December, 2016 at 5:30 pm in the Town Hall, 5 W. Main St. Frewsburg, NY, there were

PRESENT:

Supervisor Jones

Councilman Ekstrom

Councilman Dahlgren

Councilwoman Ekstrom

Councilwoman Lingenfelter

Recording Secretary, Laura S. Greenwood, Town Clerk, Paul Webb, Town Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jones. Motion to enter into executive session made at 5:35 by Councilwoman Lingenfelter, seconded by Councilwoman Ekstrom. Motion carried.

No action was taken in executive session.

Motion made at 5:48 by Councilwoman Lingenfelter to close the executive session, seconded by Councilman Dahlgren, motion carried.

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Carroll, Chautauqua County held on the 14th day of December, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall, 5 W. Main St. Frewsburg, NY, there were

PRESENT:

Supervisor Jones

Councilman Ekstrom

Councilman Dahlgren

Councilwoman Ekstrom

Councilwoman Lingenfelter

Recording Secretary, Laura S. Greenwood, Town Clerk

Also present:

T. Allison, D. Sisson, Chief Wright, Dave and Trudy Bloomquist, Laurie Sorg, D. Sparling, T. Stelmack, D. Stoffer, Paul and Kris Yeskey, J. Greenwood, Lorri and Mackenzie Munson, Mark Axelson.

Supervisor Jones opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag

Supervisor Jones submitted his Supervisor's report for the month. Code Enforcer Al Gustafson, submitted his report for the month.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lingenfelter, to accept the minutes of the last meeting as submitted, seconded by Councilwoman Ekstrom, motion carried

Motion made by Councilman Ekstrom to pay the audited monthly bills seconded by Councilman Dahlgren, carried, those bills are as follows:

GENERAL: 2016-12 #338 thru #363 in the amount of	\$7586.14
HIGHWAY: 2016-12 #183 thru #198 in the amount of	\$38892.73
WATER: 2016-12 #164 thru #182 in the amount of	\$13577.28

Privilege to the floor was granted, and Mackenzie Munson addressed the Board and asked the status on the proposed Local Law to ban smoking at the Town Park. Supervisor Jones stated that the information was still at the Town Attorney's office and that the park isn't open again until spring so he didn't feel there was a big rush on it.

Laura Greenwood, Town Clerk/ Tax Collector read aloud her 30 day resignation (attachment 1)

With her last day being January 13, 2017. Laura stated that Tenneil Stelmack started working part time for her in October, and is willing to step into her position.

Mrs. Greenwood said that she is confident with what Tenneil has learned already, and continuing to work until Laura's last day, that the transition will be a smooth and seamless one.

Laura recommended that Tenneil be appointed for the year 2017 (she will have to be elected in November for the remainder of the term 2018-2019) with the following:

Mrs. Greenwood explained that Mrs Stelmack would be working full time for the next 30 days, to prepare her for 2017 tax collection and in addition there is a great deal to learn in that short time.

Mrs. Greenwood recommended that Tenneil be paid \$15 per hour until her appointment begins, at which time she will be paid the remainder of the adopted Town Clerk, Registrar and Records Management salary for 2017. It was also recommended that the Town Board allow Mrs. Stelmack to enroll in the Town's health insurance as of January 1, 2017.

Mrs. Stelmack addressed Council, presenting to them her credentials and professional history. Supervisor Jones asked if she was a Notary. She is not, but it will be her first order of business.

Supervisor Jones asked if there were any questions or comments, Paul Yeskey of Austin Hill Rd. spoke and aired that Tenneil has worked in the healthcare field for many years, and she has plenty of experience working with the public.

Motion made by Councilwoman Ekstrom to appoint Tenneil Stelmack to start as Town Clerk starting 1/14/2017 with recommendations made by Laura Greenwood, Town Clerk, seconded by Councilwoman Lingenfelter, Supervisor and all Council voting aye, motion carried.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lingenfelter to accept the 30 day resignation from Laura Greenwood, Town Clerk, to be effective at days end 1/13/2017, seconded by Councilman Ekstrom, Supervisor and all Council voting aye, motion carried.

Police Chief, Tim Wright, reported the cars are running well, there has been some larcenies occurring recently, so the department is following up on that.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lingenfelter to allow two street lights to be installed in the following locations:

Main St. across from Angel Hair, at a cost to the light district of \$109.28 per year.

Corner of Mattison and Everett Streets at a cost to the taxpayers of \$109.22 per year. Motion seconded by Councilman Dahlgren, motion carried.

Tom Allison stated that one of the heaters at the DPW building is in need of replacement, and that he will order one at a cost of \$3145.00 to come out of the 2017 budget.

Tom also mentioned that the 1994 F150 that he was given permission to sell via public bid, did in fact sell, with one bid of \$665.00

Mr. Allison brought to the board the information and prices he has received regarding a new sidewalk plow. Tom has entered into a public entity bidding program, and the price of the new plow (without blower) is \$120,600.00

Mark Axelson, of Jamestown voice his opinion, and asked why the town needs a sidewalk plow, and stated that in Jamestown residents are require to maintain their own sidewalks. He suggested sharing a plow with the school.

Tom Allison said that he believes this is the best option and that the plow that we currently have is 25 years old and in poor repair.

Chief Wright stressed that if we didn't plow sidewalks in Carroll, it be a big safety concern.

It was in the opinion of the board that residents in the town want their sidewalks plowed.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lingenfelter to allow the Highway Department to purchase the trackless sidewalk plow at a cost of \$120,600.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Ekstrom, Supervisor and al councilman voting aye, motion carried.

Tom Allison thanked Laura Greenwood for her many years and for all of her assistance to him and his department.

Councilwoman Ekstrom inquired about purchases made by employees included with their clothing allowance receipts. She pointed out that there were insulated mugs and flashlights on the receipts but she wasn't aware that those items were allowable. Tom said he would look into it.

Water Supervisor Sisson reported that GPI has begun their study.

Dan is continuing to follow up with Senator Young's office regarding the issues with well 5. Currently the well is up and running.

Mr. Sisson thanked Laura Greenwood for all of her years and assistance to his department.

Laurie Sorg from the Assessor's office reported that STAR renewals will be going out the first week in January, and she will be here Thursdays in January and February from 9-noon.

Laurie thanked Laura for all of her assistance and wished her well on her new career path.

Ken Dahlgren submitted (on file) a list of goals and visions that were discussed at a recent comprehensive planning meeting.

Councilwoman Lingenfelter wished a Merry Christmas to all and best wishes to Laura.

Supervisor Jones set the year end meeting for December 28, 2016 at 6pm.

In the matter of the recent litigation regarding Sealand Waste vs the Town of Carroll; Paul Webb appeared in court this month and the ruling was against the Town of Carroll.

Supervisor Jones stated that according to Mr. Webb, this was just a bad decision in a frivolous lawsuit.

Supervisor Jones stated that he believes the judge just didn't understand the content.

Motion made by Councilman Ekstrom to allow Paul Webb, Town Attorney to file and appeal in this matter, motion seconded by Councilwoman Lingenfelter, Supervisor and all council voting aye, motion carried.

Supervisor Jones informed Council that the Highway Association has contacted PERB regarding negotiations.

Motion made by Councilwoman Lingenfelter to accept a resolution (on file) concerning retirees health insurance.

A retiree at the age of 65 is required to enroll in the Medicare retiree health insurance plan through the town.

This resolution will allow the spouse (that is under the age of 65) to remain on the active employees health insurance plan until the age of 65, at which time the spouse will be able to enroll in the retirees Medicare supplemental plan.

The spouse of the retiree is not eligible to receive the Health Reimbursement arrangement, therefore will be responsible for their own deductible. Motion seconded by Councilman Dahlgren, Supervisor and all Council voting aye, motion carried.

Adjournment motion made at 7:15 by Councilwoman Lingenfelter, seconded by Councilwoman Ekstrom, motion carried.

Laura S. Greenwood, Town Clerk