

## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

March 9, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was held at 7:00 pm March 9, 2017. All Board members were present. Guest was Kier Dirlam, Allegany County Office for Planning. Also attending was Steve Kilmer, Codes Enforcement Officer, Town Clerk Janice Burdick and Highway Superintendent John Billings. Representing the press was Jason Jordan of the *Evening Tribune*.

The meeting was opened by Supervisor Acton with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guests:** Kier Dirlam stated that as part of the grant he was required to attend two Town Board meetings to keep the board aware of the progress of the Comprehensive Plan. This is his second visit. Mr. Dirlam stated that the Town and Village are not ready to approve the plan yet so he will be back to help with that. A separate website will be created with all the pieces of the plan. Feels it would be worthwhile for the Town and Village to meet to establish a time frame to finish it up.

**Police Report-** Reviewed written report and incident report.

**Codes Enforcement Officer** – Mr. Kilmer reviewed his written report.

- Gave John Wisniewski 30 day notice to remove rest of the cars and trucks. After that will start legal action. It has been almost one year since he first cited Mr. Wisniewski.
- Addison Frey – hasn't heard anything from him. Will get in touch with him.
- Email from Attorney Buck – working on getting another court date.
- Certificate of Occupancy issued to G. Eldridge for new trailer on Rt. 244.
- Will be at school all of next week in Rochester.
- Issued permit for C. Shilling for a garage for personal use.
- Vander View Golf snake bar – has been approved by the County Health Dept.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of 2/9/2017 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea seconded by Mary Stearns and carried 5-0.

**Monthly Report:** DA5142.4 Snow Removal account has already spent  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the total budget.

**Highway:** John Billings stated that he feels the 5500 needs a different type of hydraulic system. In order to add a wing to it would need a different kind of plow – the current plow isn't meant to plow roads. Would cost about \$5000 for new one. Fion MacCrea stated there is significant difference in going 35 mph vs. 55 mph. Jerry Snyder added that we need to make sure we are getting the right one. Mary Stearns commented that maybe the Town doesn't need that truck and just use the 10 wheelers to plow like in past years.

**Correspondence:**

- Constellation – increase in charges.
- Craig Clark – Would like to see Sugar Hill Road repaired this year. Feels it needs to be repaired in order to promote it for future businesses. Fion MacCrea added that the road has a nice crown but some soft spots that need to be repaired.

**General Abstract #3-** Vouchers #38-46 in the amount of \$12640.09 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 4-0. (Bob Ormsby left early due to illness)

**Highway Abstract #3-** Vouchers #34-46 in the amount of \$18843.36 were approved with a motion by Jerry Snyder seconded by Dan Acton and carried 4-0.

**Highway Report:** Reviewed written report.

- Portville Truck – 2010 Mack – cost to repair ended up being \$11,800.00.
- Sterling – needed new brake chambers.
- Discussion on Mack – keep or look to trade it. John Billings stated that now that it is fixed, now maybe the time to start shopping for a replacement. Hornellsville has a used truck for \$160,000.00 – Freightliner with 2 years left on the warranty. Jerry Snyder suggested that the Highway Superintendent look at what is available and get different prices. Need to look at all equipment again and see what else will need to be replaced down the road. Before buying anything – need to prioritize equipment. Also look and see if there is anything that can be shared with another Town. Fion MacCrea explained how he had set up a spreadsheet with a schedule of all equipment and what needed to be replaced and when.
- CHIPS – John Billings stated that Kenyon and Sherman need another coat. Grind and stone Lake and Waterwells – 2 miles. Mary Stearns added that something also has to be done on Sugar Hill.

**Town Clerk** – Reviewed written report.

**Supervisor's Report:**

- Board of Assessment Review- Dan made a motion to appoint Catherine Chambers to a 5 year term, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 4-0.
- Attended meeting with AU and ASC Presidents. Purpose was to open the lines of communication. Representatives from the Town and Village, Police Chief, Fire Departments, and business owners. Also attending were Mary Stearns and Jerry Snyder.
- 1 property up for sale at County Tax Sale – Greene Road.
- Proposed wind farm in Greenwood and W. Union. Due to Town being within a 10 mile radius they were required to notify the Town. Fion MacCrea stated that he read over the information and they are planning on 32-34 turbines on high ground. Doubt they will be able to be seen from Alfred.

**Unfinished Business:** Zoning Law Amendments submitted by Planning Board and Board of Assessment of Review. Fion MacCrea explained that the intent was to expand the use of the Special Use Permit but there was some concern by the Board in the way it was worded. Mary Stearns suggested asking them to attend the April meeting and explain what they were thinking.

**Bank Statements** - A motion by Mary Stearns to approve the Bank statements was seconded by Dan Acton and carried 4-0.

Municipal Agreement with NYSDOT – motion to approve by Dan Acton, seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 4-0.

Village Board meeting Representatives: March – Mary April – Fion May – Dan and June – Jerry. Motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm by Mary Stearns seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted, Janice L. Burdick Town Clerk

