

August 13, 2018

The regular meeting of the Town Board of Vernon was held at 7:00 p.m. on the above date at the Town Office Building. Council members present were Randy Watson, Supervisor; Gene Bennati, Mick McDonough, Steve Adamkowski and John Peters. Also present: Highway Superintendent Art Freemire, County Legislator Keith Schiebel, Town Attorney Vince Rossi and 12 citizens.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, there was a moment of silence. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Watson at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Watson asked the council members if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the July 9, 2018 meeting. There being none, a motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Jan Beck was present to ask the board where the disconnect is on the codes violations with 3 Aces. The board advised her that it is in the courts hands and they have no say in the judges' decisions.

Stephen Teti was present as he would like the speed limit on Cooper St. from Route 26 to the town line reduced to 40mph.

Carol Peck asked for an update with her property on Route 5 being annexed to the Village of Oneida Castle to be able to hook up to the sewer system that's coming in. Vince Rossi advised her that it is his understanding that she does not need her property annexed to be hooked up to the new system and that he will speak to the Oneida Castle Mayor to confirm this.

Linda Yagoda was present with a petition from community members who would like a dog park in Vernon.

#### REPORTS:

The following reports were presented: Town Clerk, Codes Enforcement, and Supervisor's. County Legislator Schiebel presented a written report on the highlights from the August County Legislators' meeting.

There were no reports from Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Assessors, Education and Libraries, Intergovernmental Relations, Economic Development, Operations, SWOCO, Highway Superintendent and Historian.

A motion to accept the above reports was made by McDonough, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

#### BUSINESS:

Leslie Grogan and Tom Cole from Gates-Cole Insurance presented insurance proposal. Art will review highway department equipment with them. A motion to approve the insurance policy renewal was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

The Town Board would like to acknowledge and thank Claudia Tenney for her support with the Vernon Center Water Project. Bennati will draft a letter from the Town.

A motion to support the reduction of the Cooper Street speed limit was made by McDonough, seconded by Bennati. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to re-appoint Brian Dam as Chairman of the Board of Assessment Review for a 5 year term was made by McDonough, seconded by Bennati. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

White goods day will be on October 13, 2018 at the Highway Garage.

A motion to grant permission as requested by Freemire to sell 1984 Mack 4 wheel drive plow and a parts truck on auction site was made by Peters, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion was presented about the purchase of used Grade all. McDonough requested an estimate to repair current one first. Motion will hold until next month.

A motion on painting of Elmwood Bridge was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve contract presented from Barton & Louguidice for engineer work for Vernon Center Water Project was made by McDonough, seconded Adamkowski. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried once approved by Vince Rossi.

Motion to change zoning on Route 5 to light commercial from Churton Rd. to Beaver Meadow Rd. was tabled until next month.

A motion to approve quotes for painting interior of the building and exterior pillars to be submitted for grant reimbursement in the amount of \$17,715.24 was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Dog Control Officers Lori Gronau and Debbie Martin are resigning at the end of the month.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion to enter into Executive Session at 9:15p.m. to discuss Personnel was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Supervisor Watson announced that no further business would be conducted.

Council returned from Executive Session at 9:35 p.m. A motion to adjourn at 9:38 p.m. was made by McDonough, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Additions to minutes on file  
in Town Clerk's Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Champney  
Town Clerk

This meeting was digitally recorded and is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

COMMUNICATIONS:

New York State Department of Transportation: Engineering Study No. 02160035

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation: Indiantown Rd. Dump inspection

Black Stallion Restaurant & Catering: Renewing NYS Liquor License