

February 12, 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: County Legislator Keith Schiebel, Republican Chair Paulette Schiebel and 1 citizen.

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 January 8, 2018 meeting. There being none, a motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Peters asked County Legislator Schiebel if the County could patch the potholes on County Route 13 and he replied he would look into it.

Also, thanks to the County for repairing the Houck Road bridge and the Board will send them a letter of appreciation.

REPORTS:

The following reports were presented: Town Clerk, Codes Enforcement, Supervisor's, Intergovernmental Relations: Adamkowski reported that the Town newsletter is almost ready to print and it was mentioned by Bennati to have an explanation of the Town and County tax bill included. Operations: McDonough requested that Judge Thomas' descent on the Supreme Court decision be put on the Town's website. Highway Superintendent: Freemire mentioned that grant money is supposed to be coming available for culverts and bridges.

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

County Legislator Schiebel presented a written report on numerous subjects including: Project ARGO (Action to Realign Government Operations), agreement between Veterans' Service Agency and Syracuse University to assist veterans with filling out claims, and a Mohawk Valley EDGE meeting will be held on April 17, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Vernon Town Hall.

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

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

BUSINESS:

A motion to approve audit of the Town of Vernon Town Courts that was completed and reviewed by Wendy Coston and the Town Board was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve audit of Town of Vernon books done on February 12, 2018 was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to remove the Town Welfare Officer (Part-time) from the Town's position list, which is no longer needed, with Oneida County Department of Personnel was made by McDonough, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve Highway Superintendent to sell 1986 Mack 4x4 through Auctions International was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to change personnel probationary period from 6 months to 1 year, but keep health insurance probationary period at 6 months, was made by Peters, seconded by McDonough. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to appoint Raey Walker as Town of Vernon Building Inspector (part-time) @ \$18.00 per hour was made by McDonough, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve City of Sherrill Agreement, not contingent on a written commitment from Senator Joseph Griffo's office, was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Bennati. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Received 4th quarter mortgage tax check in the amount of \$43,203.48.

Received Oneida County snowplowing contract check in the amount of \$75,900.00.

A motion to approve up to \$3000 to pay for the Town Newsletter was made by Bennati, seconded by McDonough. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. was made by Peters, seconded by Bennati. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Julie A. McElroy
Town Clerk

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Roof bid list from Barton & Loguidice