

July 9, 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, Steve Adamkowski and John Peters. McDonough was absent. Also present: 6 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 June 13, 2018 and June 14, 2018 meetings. There being none, a motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Andy Catello asked if there is any update on commercial re-zoning. Supervisor Watson replied that they have reached out to the county and the state for assistance so businesses can put signs up and hopefully we will have an answer in the next 3-4 months. Adamkowski explained there are different levels of commercial zoning that need to be looked at.

Andy Catello also commented on the horse manure and wood being left on Arquint Rd and Graves Rd by the Amish community and the dangers of vehicles traveling on these roads. He also questioned if it is legal for the Amish to be selling baked goods on the side of the road. Supervisor Watson advised they would look into it and talk to the codes department.

Russ Wells was present as requested by his attorney to appear before the board and make sure they were aware of the ongoing situation regarding Three Aces Auto, LLC not following stipulations regarding R-1 zoning laws since the current owners have owned the property. Wells wanted make sure the board understood what was going on and would like their support to the ZBA, Codes department and the Town Attorney. The codes department has been to the location at 5110 Route 5 Vernon and has a court date scheduled in August.

REPORTS:

The following reports were presented: Town Clerk, Codes Enforcement, and Supervisor's.

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 Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Peters, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

A resolution stating budget shows money for roof replacement and office building interior repairs in accounting line A1620.4 Buildings Contractual, was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

VLT check was received in the amount of \$231,788.00.

Transfer \$5,500.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to A1320.4 Independent Audit. Motion was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Single audit completed by Bonadio CPA, they gave us a perfect score. Bennati stated the findings were outstanding with no problems.

Several telephone calls were received with concerns on Arquint Road about horse manure covering road and horses pulling equipment from field out into road crossway on a blind hill. Residents have asked if Town can post signs warning of horse and buggies. Also, if they can require a bag on horses to catch excrement to keep the road clean. Supervisor Watson stated Codes department will work with them on this. There are already signs on each end of Arquint

Road. He will call the county to see what can be done as this is a problem across the county. Next month there will be a vote on the bag.

Approval for Simmons Road guardrail update same as last year's pricing of \$7,500. Motion was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A letter from City of Sherrill Manager requesting additional \$3,000 from Town of Vernon for Betsinger Road Bridge guardrail. Motion was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 3. Nays 1(Watson). Motion carried.

Letter to County Executive Picente updating him on the progress the Town of Vernon made with the City of Sherrill and discontinuation of any and all legal actions against Federal Government concerning Oneida Nation. Signed by all.

Vernon Center water district meeting will be held on July 18, 2018; 7:00pm at Town Office Building.

SWOCO Meeting/Picnic at Hatalla Road on July 11th at 7:00pm, entire Board invited to attend.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Jennifer Champney
Town Clerk

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Oneida County Association of Towns