

March 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, Town Attorney Vince Rossi and 2 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 February 12, 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:

Lonnie Guile introduced himself as a new resident to the area, is employed by the Oswego Highway Department, and is looking forward to getting involved with the community.

Carol Peck requested her property on Route 5 be annexed in to the Village of Oneida Castle to be able to hook up to the sewer system that's coming in. Supervisor Watson responded that there will probably be more residents that want to do this and they will be discussing it later in the business portion of the meeting.

REPORTS:

The following reports were presented: Town Clerk, Codes Enforcement, SWOCO, Supervisor's, Education and Libraries: Bennati commented that the City of Sherrill had a nice article in the Town newsletter and that the newsletter came out very good. Intergovernmental Relations: Adamkowski reiterated that the newsletter is out. Also, he received a call from the Village of Vernon Mayor on a Codes issue regarding a mold problem and that our new Codes employees handled it well when Codes Officer Thieme was on vacation. Bennati stated that we have a growing number of Amish residents and suggested to our Codes Officer to hold a seminar with the Oneida County Codes Coordinator at the Town Office Building to learn how to handle these situations. Operations: McDonough mentioned that we will be opening the bids and making a decision on the roof. Highway Superintendent: Freemire said that Auctions International will be advertising our truck for sale.

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

County Legislator Schiebel started with compliments on the Town newsletter and the Town roads and mentioned that the Youngs Road potholes should be taken care of. For the County report there are numerous subjects including: 1) a new Republican Analyst, 2) AOT meeting at the Franklin on March 28th, 3) Shared Services meeting at MVCC on March 15th, 4) LED Workshop in Mohawk on April 11th, 5) State of the County address and 6) EDGE meeting on April 17th at the Town Office Building.

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:

The Town Office employees would like to thank Highway Superintendent Freemire for removing snow from the roof of the Town Office Building.

2017 FEMA paperwork has been sent in for snow storm Stella and we should be receiving just over \$9000.

A motion to approve Highway Superintendent Freemire to prepare paperwork for bid to paint bridge in Sherrill was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Freemire will apply for a grant to replace large culverts.

A motion to approve up to \$9000 for purchase and installation of guard rails was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Received resignation letter from Dog Control Officer Karen Nixon effective March 20, 2018.

Request from Carol Peck to annex property into Oneida Castle to be able to hook up to sewer system. Attorney Rossi stated that we should be able to just extend the water district without annexing the property. The Board tabled this to be able to ask the residents on 9th Street if they would like to hook up to the sewer system, so we can complete the process just one time.

A motion to accept Blue Line Disaster Solutions, Inc. mold remediation quote for \$20,314.19 for the Town Office Building, with an inspection done from our Codes Officer, was made by Bennati, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Received NYMIR check for \$76.00 for return of annual underwriting earnings.

Received Spectrum franchise fee check for \$9644.78.

Received 4th quarter sales tax check for \$220,965.69, which is down \$6813.75 from last year.

A motion to approve obtaining estimates for a single audit required by NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Service because we received more than \$750,000 in FEMA money in 2017 was made by McDonough, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to change the June Board meeting from June 11th to June 18th because Supervisor Watson cannot attend was tabled to next month for the Board members to check their schedules.

A motion to approve a roof replacement bid of \$73,040 for shingles from Continental Construction was made by Adamkowski, seconded by McDonough. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion regarding the City of Sherrill agreement with Attorney Rossi. A motion to approve the Town of Vernon and City of Sherrill agreement was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Bennati. No further discussion. Ayes 4. Nays 1 (McDonough). Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Adamkowski announced that he received contact information from Codes Officer Jody Thieme regarding getting the solar panels removed from the Town Office Building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. 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:

None