

October 15, 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, and 4 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 September 10, 2018 meeting. There being none, a motion to accept the minutes as written was made by McDonough, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

County Legislator Keith Schiebel reported he had reached out to Oneida County DPW on the repairs needed on Youngs Rd and is awaiting a response. He will report back to us when he hears from them.

Schiebel also presented a written breakdown of taxes made whole to municipalities and school districts in the land claim area for 2010-2014. He also briefly discussed the Oneida County Budget and how it affects the municipalities. Public hearings will be held at 7:00p.m. on November 12th at MVCC in Rome and November 13th at the Oneida County Office Building on the 7th floor.

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 Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:15p.m. to discuss Personnel was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:20p.m. Motion was made by Adamkowski, seconded by McDonough. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

Kevin Champney was present to discuss the issues with water meters possibly being tampered with. A motion was made to start putting locks on the water meters and charging \$500 if meters are tampered with by Bennati, seconded by McDonough. No Discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the 2019 Oneida County Snow & Ice agreement was made by McDonough, seconded by Bennati. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to schedule the Fire Contract Public Hearing for November 5, 2018 at 6:30p.m. was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Peters. No Discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to schedule the 2019 Budget Public Hearing for November 5, 2018 at 6:45p.m. was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Bennati. No Discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to transfer \$7958.00 from B7310.2 Youth Equipment to A1110.4 Justice Contractual was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Peters. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to transfer \$10,000 from DB5130.1 Machinery Personal Svc to DB5130.2 Machinery Equipment for Gradall was made by Adamkowski, seconded by Bennati. No Discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve Cemetery annual contracts of \$550 each for Twitchell and Marble Rd. was made by McDonough, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the Resolution for the Town of Vernon Court JCAP Grant was made by Bennati, seconded by Adamkowski. No discussion. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion of the \$20,000 additional money disbursement for fire departments in the budget. This money will help with department's expenses such as equipment and insurances.

The Board members discussed composing a letter to Oneida County Executive Anthony Picente urging the county to disperse a share of gaming compact monies to the town.

There was a discussion on the final boundaries for Vernon Center Water District. Adamkowski will reach out to Barton & Loguidice for a finalized map.

Adamkowski is meeting with Clayton Conover on October 16, 2018 with an offer as the Towns Dog Control Officer.

RER Energy will hold a public meeting at the Town of Vernon Offices on October 22nd at 7:00p.m.

There was a discussion of Oneida Castle Sewer District annexation of 3 properties. The board agreed that the Town of Vernon will not pay for it. If Oneida Castle wishes to annex these properties they will have to pay for it to be done.

A motion to approve Vernon Wetzel Elementary request to use the Town's walking trail for their Halloween parade on October 31st at 2:00p.m. was made by McDonough, seconded by Bennati. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

None

Supervisor Watson announced that no further business would be conducted.

A motion to adjourn at 7:48p.m. was made by Peters, seconded by McDonough. 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:

None