

**MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 11, 2019
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, 8529 MAIN ST., CAMPBELL, NEW YORK**

PRESENT: Town Board Members: Jeffrey Horton John R. Tschantre; Glenn Vogel, Terry E. Wheat and James F. Drumm; **Town Clerk:** Michelle L. Seeley; and **Highway Supt:** Thomas A. Austin. **Code Enforcement Officer:** Thomas Hargrave

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Wayne Cosier, Ron Morse, Linda Baird, Ashley Knowles, Joe Seeley, Joe Gauss

Call To Order/Pledge /Roll Call/ Prior Minutes.

Mr. Horton called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7 p.m. at the meeting room of the Campbell Town Hall and led the pledge of allegiance. The Town Clerk then took roll call. The minutes of the regular meeting held on October 15, 2019 and the Public Hearing held on October 28, 2019 were noted. And Mr. Horton amended his statement from the Public Hearing about the clerk being contracted for 40 hours plus meetings to say "position was contracted to cover posted hours plus meetings as a salaried position" because it is an elected position. The changes were made to the draft minutes.

A motion was offered by Glen Vogel and seconded by Terry Wheat to accept the minutes referenced above with minor changes, such as adding the date of the October 15th meeting and that Teri Winnie attended the meeting held the same date. Adopted by vote: AYE: 5 NAY: 0

REPORTS

Monthly Reports Filed.

It was noted that the Town Supervisor's Report dated November 5, 2019 had been received and copies were filed with the Town Clerk.

Highway Report (Thomas Austin)

The recent weather and high water has taken part of the silt fence that was placed at the lower end of the Phase 2 Ice Jam project. The fence will be replaced and Phase 2 is halfway completed.

Mr. Horton asked Mr. Austin what the end date on the permit for the work was.

Mr. Austin stated that there is no expiration date.

Water Report (Thomas Austin)

Thomas Austin reported that the Town had purchased a new meter for the Water tower and had installed it. When installed the meter did not function a representative from Pantec, Roger B. came out and discovered that the issue was with the programming and not the equipment. The issue has been fixed and we now have a spare meter for the water district as there was no issue with the old ones.

Mr. Horton stated that he had been attending the meetings of the other towns and wondered if there were any laws against shared services plowing snow?

Mr. Austin stated that if the highway department knew ahead of time that help was needed they could assist with no issues, and have done so in the past.

Bookkeeper Report (Wendy Oman)

November 11, 2019 Board Meeting – Bookkeeper Report

Revenue Notes

Regular monthly revenues received from Town Clerk and Court Clerk. All accounts settled and Supervisor report given to Jeff for review, signature and submitted to the Town Clerk.

Revenue Received

\$41,860.82	General 3 rd Qtr. Sales Tax	\$74,419.25	Highway 3 rd Qtr. Sales Tax
\$30,931.97	General Casella 3 rd Qtr. Host Fees		

Budget Transfers

RESOLUTION #27, was offered by Terry Wheat and seconded by James Drumm to authorize the following budget transfers:

FROM	NUMBER	AMOUNT	TO	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
HIGHWAY	DA5110.41	\$6,635.80		DA5110.1	Payroll #23 – Road Work on Manning
HIGHWAY	DA5110.1	\$ 500.00		DA5110.4	Contractual – General Repairs
HIGHWAY	DA5140.4	\$4,300.00		DA5110.4	Contractual – General Repairs
HIGHWAY	DA9030.8	\$2,000.00		DA5110.4	Contractual – General Repairs

Adopted by Vote: 5 yea -0 nay

East Campbell Park update:

The legal notice for the Professional Design Services bid was placed in The Corning Leader on November 8, 2019 – copy attached. The notice was also placed on the webpage November 6, 2019. The bid packets are ready and available at the court window along with a packet sign-out sheet. The bids will be accepted until November 21, 2019 at 3:00 pm where they will be opened and read.

Other Notes:

Phone installation complete.
Computer Updates/ Replacements

3 of the computers in the office have crashed and 4 of them need to be updated to Windows 10. CPE has submitted a quote of \$5418.72. The Board discussed the cost of the project, John Tschantre asked if this needed to go to a bidding process. Jeffrey Horton confirmed that projects under \$10,000 do not need to be put out to bid.

A motion to Purchase 3 computers and update 4 to Windows 10 at the price quoted by CPE was made by John Tschantre and seconded by James Drumm.
Adopted by Vote 5 YEA – 0 NAY

November 11, 2019 Board Meeting - Bookkeeper note to Board

The past election campaigning seems to have brought about false allegations that the town board and other offices of the town are "hiding something or planning something". I would like to make a public statement that the 11 accounts listed below that are the responsibility of the Town Bookkeeper are settled, current and up to date to October 31, 2019. All banking records are open for Board and/or Public review. I would appreciate a written request allowing me 24 hours to gather any information requested. My work hours are Tuesday through Friday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm.

General, General Reserve, Highway, Highway Reserve, Water 1, Water 1, Reserve, Water 2, Capital Project, Water 3, M&T Collateral, Trust and Agency.

I can also print any budget line expense or budget line revenue that may be in question. An expense ledger will include the date, amount and description of all vouchers paid in the category, along with any Board Approved transfers in that category. A revenue ledger request will include date of deposit and description of deposit. A sample of each is attached.

Please feel free to request any information that you would like.

I disagree with any allegations that the present board is hiding or planning their own agenda. The present Board is a transparent Board with absolutely nothing to hide, does their research and continues to have the Towns best interest in mind when making any and all determinations and decisions.

Codes (Thomas Hargrave)

There were 15 permits issued this period.

(2) Roofs, (3) accessory bldg., (2) additions, (4) septic, (1) masonry chimney, storm water drywell, (1) new home, (1) garage repair

There were 17 building permit inspections completed. C of O & C of C's to be issued in November

There were (9) violation inspections

(1) 99% resolved

8402 Cty. Rte. 333

4310 Tannery rd.

(1) Resolved 9432 Elm St

(2) No response from homeowners. (30) Day notice to remedy was sent certified mail 10/17/2019. Depositions started since I am sure they will most likely not respond to certified mail.

- (3) 4906 Cty. Rte. 125. Met with homeowners to resolve issues with excessive vehicles and uninhabitable mobile home. Provided information to help them correct these issues. Ongoing
- (4) Vacant mobile homes in Hidden Forest Park. List of violations sent to park owner. These homes are abandoned.
- (5) (1) Working with homeowner on fire damaged home at 39 Big Oaks in Hidden Forest Park. Released by fire marshal.

The county owned property at 8867 Rte. 415 still no response to action plan .

Received (2) complaints from residents. These are on the list to be addressed Will be doing road trip property inspections during the months of November and December for Tannery Rd, County Rte. 17, County Rte. 333, County Rte. 4, County Rte. 1 and Wolf Run Rd.

Have compiled a list of zoning issues to be sent to Planning Board for their review. Have developed a front cover sheet for all property folders to indicate all activities that pertain to these properties ie; zoning, floodplain, site plans, etc. This will be a guide to alert anyone to further investigate all info since it is currently stored in multiple locations.

(Thanks Michelle for your help)

Will be looking at an additional information sheet for Timber Harvesting Permit to insure we improve the way it is currently monitored. Tom Austin and I will generate the first draft of this proposal and send it on for review.

Jeffrey Horton wanted to take the opportunity to pass on a complement from the Watkins family that expressed their appreciation to Tom Hargrave and Michelle Seeley for working with the Watkins family to get them help to clean up their property and not just issuing them a ticket.

Dog Report

Randy was not present but Jeffrey Horton wanted to follow up on Randy's request regarding deputizing Mary Akins as his Deputy DCO. Due to a Town Policy on nepotism it is not possible for Randy to deputize his wife, even though it is a volunteer position.

Richard Buck is working on the "Campbell Dog Law", Jeffrey Horton will keep the town updated.

Town Clerk Report (Michelle Seeley)

A comment made for public record by the Town Clerk:

During this election cycle, I have learned a lot about what is expected of me, apparently it is to keep my mouth shut, my head down and tow some imaginary line. Which is what I have heard in several places. Unfortunately that is not me. I plan to continue to do my job the way that people in the community expect me to do my job. If there is a Public Hearing or Special Meeting, I will tell people that there is a Public Hearing or Special Meeting. I believe that we need to be more transparent.

I was asked several times why the Board was so interested in getting rid of me, and that was obvious because 4 out of 5 of the Board members had signs in their yard for the competition. Some even had 2. Which is fine you are entitled to your vote.

We need to work together for the next 2 years, and I am hoping we can get along for the next two years and that the animosity against my office will stop.

I have no problems with any of you, can we just get over it, move on, and act like adults? The retribution towards my office and me personally since Joe ran for the Board has been amazing. I am just done with it.

I am going to continue to do my job and help the people that I serve, and who voted me into office.

I would ask that you guys (the Board) be a little more fair when it comes to my office. Thank you.

Report

The new Deputy Town Clerk is working out well and will be attending some classes to help her become more efficient in the office. One of us will be attending the records retention grant writing class here at the Town Hall on November 19, 2019 to learn how to apply for grants in 2020.

Fire Department Report (Linda Baird)

Linda Baird of Campbell Fire Dept., reported on fire calls; 26 medical, 6 Fire, 3 MVA, 8 Misc. October total 43 YTD Total 379.

Linda Baird requested the heading on the Agenda that says Fire District be changed to Fire Department.

Old Business

Tax Cap Override

The Local Law # 2 of 2019 entitled Tax Cap Override has been filed with the state on November 4, 2019.

2020 Revised Preliminary Budget

The Board discussed the suggested revisions to the 2020 Preliminary Budget, Revisions to the 2020 Preliminary Budget - Public Hearing 10-28-19

Acct #	Preliminary	New Amount	Description	+ / -	Notes
A1620.4	"\$28,000.00"	"\$33,000.00"	New mowing contracts		"\$5,000.00"
			Building contractual		
A0962.4	"\$25,000.00"	"\$20,000.00"	New mowing contracts		"-\$5,000.00"
			Reserve Allocation		

There were no revisions at the public hearing. This revision is a suggestion from the Bookkeeper due to the uncertainty of the mowing expenses for 2020. This revision does not affect the property tax request to the residents

A motion to accept the revisions to the 2020 Preliminary Budget was made by Glen Vogel and seconded by John Tschantre. Adopted by Vote 5 YEA – 0 NAY

Resolution **28-2019** was offered by James Drumm to adopt the 2020 Preliminary Budget with revisions, and make it the Adopted 2020 Budget, Resolution was seconded by Glenn Vogel.

Adopted by roll call vote: Terry Wheat -Yea; John Tschantre- Yea; Jeffrey Horton- Yea; James Drumm- Yea; Glenn Vogel-Yea

New business

Water Re-levies for the Year 2019

Wendy Oman had submitted a listing of the water accounts that are at least two months behind by amounts of \$100.00 or more [copy attached]. For Water District #1 the total was \$19,286.53; For Water District #2 the total was \$1,880.69 and for Water District #3 the total was \$7,449.03 making a grand total of \$28,616.25. She said she would be accepting payments up to November 29th and then we will turn the remaining accounts over to the County for re-levy.

Following discussion regarding the water levies, **RESOLUTION #29-2019**, was offered by Glen Vogel and seconded by Terry Wheat to authorize the water re-levies per the listing for Water Districts 1, 2, & 3 for the Year 2019 for a total sum of \$28, 616.25; which amount may be reduced by payments received by November 29th.

Adopted by vote: Wheat-Aye; Tschantre-Aye; and Drumm-Aye; Vogel-Aye; and Horton-Aye.

Home Town Hero Banners

A discussion about offering the members of the town to purchase "Home Town Hero" banners to be displayed in the town was had. Thomas Austin has been researching pricing and types of banners available. There are several styles and range in pricing. A suggestion by Jeffrey Horton to do a survey to find out what the community would like the banners to look like. Jeffrey Horton will contact the company that does the banners and ask for a paired down sample to offer on the survey.

Mr. Horton suggested getting donations from local businesses and the community for the hardware.

It was suggested that the banners be hung in place of the flags that are normally hung for Memorial Day.

Campbell Town Board Minutes for Meeting of November 11, 2019

Voucher Audit – 8:02 p.m.

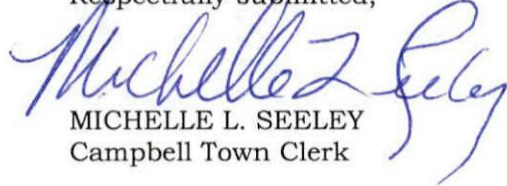
Vouchers were submitted and approved as follows:

General Fund Vouchers #361-386	\$ 25,794.70
And Highway Vouchers #177-193	\$ 26,060.96
Water District 1 SW- Vouchers # 66-72	\$ 2,483.87
Water District 2 SW2-Vouchers # 21	\$ 20.00
Water District 3 SW3-Vouchers # 26-28	\$ 2,519.37
Trust & Agency TA Voucher # 11-13	\$ 350.66
For a grand total of	\$ 57,229.56

Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was, upon motion by Jeffrey Horton and seconded by James Drumm, adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


MICHELLE L. SEELEY
Campbell Town Clerk

DATED: November 18, 2019.

ATTACHMENTS: