



Town Board Meeting

Minutes

Monday, December 12, 2022 at 7:00 am

Attendees: Board Members: Jeffrey Horton, John Tschantre, Michael Austin, James Drumm, Highway Superintendent Thomas Austin, Code Enforcement Officer Thomas Hargrave, Assessor Holley Smalt, and Town Clerk, Michelle Seeley

Guests

Cheryl Hordes, Joan Palinkas, Joseph Seeley, Norm Maynard, Wayne Cosier

1. Pledge / Call to Order / Roll Call

Minutes:

The Clerk took Roll Call: Jeffrey Horton, John Tschantre, Michael Austin, and James Drumm
Present Glenn Vogel: Absent

2. Prior Minutes

a. November 14, 2022- Joint Special Meeting November 16, 2022

Minutes:

A motion by Michael Austin and seconded by James Drumm to accept the minutes above as written was adopted by vote.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0

3. Reports

a. HWY Report

Minutes:

Thomas Austin would like to replace the 2013 Mack Plow Truck. He has found a Plow Truck through International with a Tenco truck body and plow equipment. Mr. Austin Mr. Austin has checked into different trucks and would like to order an international because it is the least expensive option. Thomas Austin asked the Board to allow him to sign the contract to save the build slot. The new truck would be built in late 2023, but the body will not be built until 2024 The earliest we would take possession would be in 2024 making the first payment due in 2025. The cost of the truck would be locked in at \$298,056. The new grader is slated to be paid off in 2024 and part of the \$70,500 payment would be allocated to make the payment on the new truck. If the contract is not signed tonight then there will be an 18-24 month wait time for the next build. Funding for the Truck would come from the sale of the 2013 Mack and from Sunfinancial, there are no financing figures available at this time, and the Town cannot finance at today's interest rates because we are not taking

delivery of the Truck within 12 months. The Purchase of this truck would not increase the taxes for the Highway Department because it is part of the equipment rollover program instituted by Thomas Austin.

A motion to enter into the contract to save the build slot was made by John Tschantre and seconded by James Drumm: Adopted by Roll call vote 4-0 one absent.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0

b. Water Report

Minutes:

The new water district project is being held up by an issue with NYSDOT because of rite of ways and directional drilling issues under the highway.

c. Bookkeeper Report

Minutes:

A motion to approve the Bookkeepers report along with the transfers was made by Michael Austin and seconded by James Drumm. Adopted by vote

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0

d. Codes

Minutes:

A report was received from Thomas Hargrave and is on file.

e. Dog Control

Minutes:

A Report was received from Randy Akins and is on file in the Clerks office.

A contract from Ann Denmark's shelter was included in the report from the DCO. Supervisor Horton would like to hold off on signing the contract until he receives confirmation that all inspections have been completed and the shelter has been approved by NYS.

f. Assessors Report

Minutes:

A report was received from Holley Smalt the assessor and is on file with the clerk.

Jeffrey Horton shared a update on the Melissa Cole issue with her STAR Tax Credit.

Supervisor Horton talked with Wendy Jordan at the county. Because the property was subdivided the tax id number used for the STAR application was incorrect. The County has made the adjustment in their records. This was an oversight, and was not due to the Town or the Assessor. The issue has been corrected. Supervisor Horton has spoken with Mrs. Cole and informed her of the resolution.

g. Supervisor Report

h. Town Clerk Report

Minutes:

Due to community feedback and discussion with the Home Town Hero Banner Committee

as well as the Town Board, a decision has been made to keep the existing banners up until 2026. If these banners become torn, tattered or visibly faded, they will be taken down, at the Town's discretion. The owner of the banner will be called and able to pick up their banner at the Town Hall the banner will need to be picked up with-in 90 days from the notification date unless other arrangements are made. The next opportunity to renew the banners will then come in 2026, when all banners will be taken down and new ones ordered on a first come first serve basis. In the meantime, The Town will be offering a very limited run of banners on a fist come first serve basis in 2023, to accommodate those people who have been on a wait list for the last three years. Spaces in town are limited and banners will be doubled up where possible. A motion by James Drumm and seconded by John Tschantre to accept the proposed plan and add the language about condition and duration added to future applications, for the Hometown Hero Banner project was adopted by vote.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0

4. Old Business

Minutes:

Rear sidewalk and Ramp:

The town is looking at redoing the rear entrance and sidewalk/ ramp to make it ADA compliant. Because of the shape that the existing sidewalk is in, and the paving of the parking lot, it would be more efficient to redo the entire area. A new railing for the new ramp would need to handle 250 pounds per square inch, the addition of a railing for the new ramp would cost between \$12,000 and \$12,500. The Board would like to put the project out to bid. This project would include replacing the sidewalk from the court doors to the rear entrance, and upgrading the sidewalk and ramps to make them ADA compliant. This may require that the sidewalk be extended out into the driveway up to 6 foot. The driveway is large enough to handle the reduction, by State Code standards. There is nothing set in stone as of yet, and this project could be funded by ARPA funds.

5. New Business

a. Planning Board Appointments

Minutes:

Chairman Allen has decided to step down as a full time member of the Planning Board due to time constrictions. His term would have ended 12/31/2023. After discussion with the other board members, Stanley Manning decided to stay on the board for reappointment after his term ends 12/31/2022. He is not sure that he wants to serve another 5 year term so it was decided that he would take the unexpired term left by Jeff Allen. Jeff Allen stated that he would like to be appointed as the alternate member for 2023.

A motion by James Drumm and seconded by Michael Austin to appoint Laura Bowen as Planning Board Member for the term of 01/01/2023 to 12/31/2027, Appoint Stanley Manning for the to the unexpired term left by Chairman Jeff Allen's resignation as full time member from 01/01/2023-12/31/2024 and appoint Jeff Allen as the alternate planning Board member for 2023. Motion adopted by Roll Call vote

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0

6. Public Comment

Minutes:

1. Joan Palinkas questioned whether the Town requires a permit to have property logged. Supervisor Horton explained that a permit is required and a deposit of \$500 by the Logging company if no Forester is hired. This ensures that the roads are returned to their proper state after the project is done. The deposit is fully refundable upon completion and inspection by the Highway Superintendent and Code enforcement Officer as long as there is no damage, or all damage has been repaired properly.
2. Michael Austin requested that something be placed in the clerks e-mail and the news letter about being cautious when exiting vehicles and ensuring that there is no oncoming traffic. While on main Street please be aware of your surroundings.

7. Announcements

8. Voucher Audit

Minutes:

Vouchers were submitted and approved as follows: General Fund Vouchers # 367-369 \$ 12,891.88 Street Lighting Voucher #380 \$ 715.94 Highway Vouchers # 195-204 \$ 13,199.00 Water District 1 Vouchers # 72-80 \$ 2,754.18 Water District 2 Vouchers #32 \$ 32.40 Water District 3 Vouchers #33 \$ 32.40 Trust & Agency Voucher # 14 \$ 198.00 For a grand total of \$ 29,823.80

9. Adjournment

Minutes:

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was upon motion, adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0

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Respectively Submitted,

Michelle Seeley
Campbell Town Clerk