

A Regular meeting was held December 19, 2023 at Hutchinson Hall, Newark Valley at 7:00 P.M.

The following were Present:

PRESENT:

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor
Warren Smith, Councilmember
Lucy Johnson, Councilmember
Brett Walter, Councilmember
Joseph Tomazin, Jr. Councilmember

Also Present:

Jim Marzen, Code Enforcement Officer: Dan Cheresnowski, Jared Martin: Denise Liske Dog Control Officer, Lindsey Johnson, Levene, Gouldin, & Thompson, Attorneys to the Town.

Meeting Called to Order

Supervisor Yetter called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Yetter led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business

Supervisor Yetter discussed with the Councilmembers going over the Board Minutes for approval.

Resolution # 141-2023

Approval of Board Minutes from November 21, 2023 and December 5, 2023

On a motion offered by Councilmember Smith, and seconded by Councilmember Tomazin, the Town Board approved the Board Minutes from November 21, 2023 and December 5, 2023.

Councilmember Tomazin Jr- AYE
Councilmember Walter – AYE
Warren Smith, Councilmember
Councilmember Johnson – AYE
Supervisor Yetter, Jr. – AYE

Motion Carried

Privilege of the Floor

Jim Marzen discussed the letter on the ditches at his place. Supervisor Yetter had said he would get with Highway Superintendent Joe Tennant to get it all set.

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New Business

Financial Report for November 2023

Supervisor Yetter discussed that the Budget has been overshot with several things. Central mailing fees have been raised, Insurance along with most things.

Budget Modification

Resolution # 142-2023

Budget Modification

On a motion offered by Councilmember Tomazin, and seconded by Councilmember Smith, the Town Board approved the following Budget Transfer.

Transfer:

\$1,550.84 FROM A9010.8 NYS Retirement TO A1330.4 Tax Collector

\$385.06 FROM A9010.8 NYS Retirement TO A1460.4 Records Mgt. CE

\$3,690.98 FROM A9010.8 NYS Retirement TO A12620.4 Building CE

\$147.15 FROM A9010.8 NYS Retirement TO A1670.4 Central Mailing CE

\$1,076.76 FROM A9010.8 NYS Retirement TO A9060.4 Medical Insurance

Councilmember Tomazin Jr- AYE
Councilmember Walter – AYE
Warren Smith, Councilmember
Councilmember Johnson – AYE
Supervisor Yetter, Jr. – AYE

Motion Carried

Supervisor Yetter discussed that the Financial Report looks good and is happy.

Resolution # 143-2023

**Approval for Supervisors Financial Report
for November 2023**

On a motion offered by Councilmember Tomazin, and seconded by Councilmember Walter, the Town Board approved the Supervisors Financial Report for November 2023.

Councilmember Tomazin Jr- AYE
Councilmember Walter – AYE
Warren Smith, Councilmember
Councilmember Johnson – AYE
Supervisor Yetter, Jr. – AYE

Motion Carried

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Joe Tennant discussed that he had been researching for another new plow truck and he had got an estimate for an International with a cummings engine, also it would be 2025. A purchase order was discussed briefly. Discussed that the Highways employees have been cleaning up the garage and going through things while things are quiet.

Old Business

Supervisor Yetter discussed that the new Highway building is finished, Jeff Rockwell would be paid at the year end meeting. There was tin left over from building and they discussed using it in the tall bay of garage and stud up the walls.

Department & Council Reports

Code Enforcement Officer

Code Enforcement Officer Dan Cheresnowki discussed that he has been driving around checking things, he said where the house fire was on Wesst Creek Rd they have removed the trailer and have started to build a house. Was discussed that he had been in the house and explained to them that they have to have drawings done. It does look great. Drawings are still needed from the place on Howard Hill Rd.

Dog Control

Dog Control officer Denise Liske discussed several items. There were 6 dogs that ended up going to Stray Haven, 3 of them were owned but there was no proof. The 2 German Shepards that were running at large were finally caught and both went to Stray Haven. We do not yet have a 2024 contract with them yet.

Council members & Committees

Planning Board

No Report

Supervisor Yetter discussed that the Town Attorney needs to pull and get a draft for the EMT contract. He will reach out and let her know the budgeted amount.

General Bills

Resolution #144-2023

General Bills

On a motion offered by Councilmember Walter, and seconded by Councilmember Johnson, the Town Board authorizes the payment of General Bill Vouchers A294 to A317, inclusive, in the amount of \$11,658.62.

Councilmember Tomazin Jr- AYE
Councilmember Walter – AYE
Warren Smith, Councilmember
Councilmember Johnson – AYE
Supervisor Yetter, Jr. – AYE

Motion Carried

Highway Bills

Resolution # 145-2023

Highway Bills

On a motion, offered by Councilmember Smith, and seconded by Councilmember Tomazin, the Town Board authorizes the payment of Highway Bill Vouchers H145 to H155, inclusive in the amount of \$14,208.10.

Councilmember Tomazin Jr- AYE
Councilmember Walter – AYE
Warren Smith, Councilmember
Councilmember Johnson – AYE
Supervisor Yetter, Jr. – AYE

Motion Carried

On a motion offered by Councilmember Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

The next meeting will be the year end meeting held on December 28, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora L. Corson
Town Clerk