

Organizational Meeting Minutes of the Smithville Town Board

January 3, 2022

The Organizational meeting of the Smithville Town Board was called to order at 6:30 by Supervisor John Cammarata. In addition to Supervisor Cammarata, the following persons were in attendance:

Council persons:

Pam Holcomb

Shane Butler

Bob Whitmore

Russell Wark

Other:

Alison Owens, Town Clerk

Roger Barrows, Dog Warden

1. The Association of Towns material to be read at the 1st meeting of the year was shared.
2. Board members reviewed the list of appointments for the Appointment Resolution for 2022 and made the following recommendations in addition to the regular appointments: Deputy Supervisor: Pam Holcomb; Planning Board and Chair: Deborah Lilley, term to fill vacancy ending 12/31/2023; Bob Brooks to a 5 yr term expiring 12/31/2026; others as single appointed positions currently standing or as committees.

Resolution # 1 2022 so moved by Councilwoman Holcomb, 2nd by Councilman Whitmore; all 5 Board members in favor, carried.

3. Consider Resolution for “per diem” MEO appointment for Highway Dept

Paperwork from County breaking down the % of what a per diem worker could work; there will be no benefits. Councilman Whitmore feels this would be a good temporary measure but not as a permanent situation.

RESOLUTION # 2 (2022): HIRE PER DIEM MEO FOR THE TOWN OF SMITHVILLE

On a motion by Councilman Butler, 2nd by Councilman Whitmore, the following Resolution was passed.

Holcomb: aye

Butler: aye

Wark: aye

Whitmore: aye

Cammarata: aye

Resolved to hire a “per diem” MEO employee for the Town of Smithville.

4. Town Fee Schedule: Most fees were kept the same as 2021 with the exception of a 2021 error in the Road Preservation Annual Application Fee which was listed as \$ 25.00 and should have been \$100. The Board decided on no late fee for a delinquent dog license but to charge \$25.00 if an unlicensed dog is

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found during an enumeration. The Purebred License fee was set @ \$150.00 for 10+ dogs and the Redemption fee is \$75.00.

5. Considerations of Dog Warden responsibilities: the Dog Warden said he would probably have Preston's DCO as a substitute when he was out or not available. The Dog Warden was asked to consider options for a dog enumeration.
6. Other considerations:

It was mentioned the requirement to add a new Planning Board member or an Alternate Planning Board member would have to be done by Local Law as per Att'y opinion. Town Clerk Owens will continue work on the details.

The 2022 truck will be built in July 2022, out for plow at Tenco at the end of July for 6-8 weeks. Sherburne's 2017 truck which the Town is purchasing should be coming in the next couple of months.

The 2015 Volvo has been having a host of problems and has recently had a \$650 worth of repairs. It is not really a plow truck. Could this be sold and the money be put in the equipment truck? Both 2002 trucks, one a Volvo and the other an International, seem to be in good shape, enough to get through for a while. Councilman Whitmore said the 2010 International truck has been having trouble. It would be better to sell the 2010 International and update the 2015 Volvo to make it more usable.

The grader is very old and also needs to be replaced

Supervisor Cammarata opened up an extra savings account on the Highway side at NBT to put the ACH deposits from FEMA.

The funds to pay for the tractor will be paid for from the General side. It was mentioned that since this was a NYS bid contract with Cazenovia Equipment, it did not need 3 quotes. The final quote including trade-in of the older tractor was \$18,138.48. Three additional Board members Supervisor Cammarata called in December 2021: Ludwig, Holcomb, Whitmore were in favor, motion carried. Evans could not be reached.

The water testing will cost about \$30,000. And will need to be paid for. Grant monies are being considered.

The next meeting will be January 17, 2022.

Alison B. Owens

Smithville Town Clerk