

Smithville Town Board
Minutes of February 20, 2023

OPENING of Town Board meeting by Supervisor John Cammarata
ROLL CALL/PLEDGE/LATE ADDITIONS: adding NB3 Don Russell

6:30PM

ATTENDANCE:

Supervisor John Cammarata
Board members: Bob Whitmore
Shane Butler
Pam Holcomb, absent
Russell Wark

ALSO:

Alison Owens, Town Clerk
Donald Russell, resident Tarbell Rd.
Ken Whitmore, Fire Chief, Genegantslet Fire Co., Inc
Hwy employee Collin Kozak

CORRESPONDENCE

6:35PM

C1) email regarding the proposed Loomis Cemetery sign was received from Dale and Tina Utter indicating the Pomeroy Foundation has approved the application for a grant for a marker for historic Loomis Cemetery.

NEW BUSINESS

6:40PM

NB1) Greg Ellis, resident: request to discuss noise and fireworks at Spanish Baptist Camp. Mr Ellis was not present. Board members reiterated the Town can control the fireworks permit but not the noise. Perhaps a letter from the Supervisor could be written asking the Spanish Baptist Church for quiet hours between certain times.
NB2) NYS notification: vacancy on Board of Assessment Review, term expiration of Fred Heisler is September 30, 2023. A motion to re-appoint Fred Heisler to the BAR was made.

RESOLUTION # 06 (2023): REAPPOINT FRED HEISLER TO A 5 YR TERM ON THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

On a motion by Board member Butler 2nd by Board member Wark, the following Resolution was passed.

AYES Butler, Wark, Whitmore, Cammarata

NAYES 0

ABSENT: Holcomb

RESOLVED to reappoint Fred Heisler to the Board of Assessment Review, the term set to be October 1, 2023 to Sept. 30, 2028.

NB3) Resident Donald Russell of Tarbell Rd was recognized. He questioned the proposed water system for the hamlet of Smithville Flats, where it was going to be etc.

Supervisor Cammarata explained that all work has stopped until spring when seismic testing will be done to determine a potential location for the 2 wells. Also a low income survey will be going out to residents in the potential district to see if the Town will qualify for an additional grant.

Mr. Russell asked questions regarding a potential water system as to how long it would last, is there a re-supply, what the cost would be to maintain. He had information from his son in Vermont who recently installed a home filter system which takes care of the problems they have. Mr Russell felt it would be more feasible and less expensive to have these installed in homes and businesses rather than an expensive system.

Councilman Whitmore explained the Town is trying to better everyone in the long run. There was a problem when the bridge was reconstructed a couple of years ago. As a result other wells in the hamlet were tested and that's when concerns about the quality of the water began to be a problem.

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It was also mentioned to Mr. Russell the Town Board is looking into this project but has not yet committed to it. Many factors have to be satisfied before that can happen.

OLD BUSINESS (UPDATES IF ANY)

6:50PM

OB1) updates on new heaters for Kitchen and Clerk's offices: John Tracy has them on order and will be installing them when they both come in.

REPORTS

7:00PM

R1.) Highway: report submitted

- Excavator has arrived and was used for a FEMA project
- The new truck is at Utica Mack but needs license/insurance to go to Rochester to have additional equipment added to it; maybe will be returned in the June/July timeframe
- Cutting brush and trees
- the 2010 International truck is parked. Sell as is? Could declare it as surplus and sell it and the additional Tarco 3000 box separately.

RESOLUTION # 07 (2023): DECLARE THE 2010 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK, TARCO BOX AS SURPLUS, AND TO SELL

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

AYES Butler, Wark, Whitmore, Cammarata

NAYES 0

Absent Holcomb

RESOLVED to declare the 2010 International truck with additional Tarco 3000 box as surplus equipment and for them to be sold.

- Mike McKee will come and look at the excess tires

R2) Assessor: no report submitted

R3.) Enforcement Officer: no report submitted

R4.) Planning Board: minutes submitted, status of the Planning Board survey in the Town Clerk report

R5.) DCO: no report submitted

R6.) vacant R7.) vacant

R8.) Custodian: no report submitted

R9.) Playground Committee: no report

R10) Town Clerk: report submitted *

R11) vacant

R12) Supervisor's Report: submitted

- Still working with Frontier on equipment return
- Highway laptop needs new hard drive
- 4th quarter \$50,011. Sales tax check was deposited
- ACH FEMA deposits into Town account are hard to trace where their beginnings were, what project they pay for
- Local Law for garbage, trash was discussed at the County level so that Enforcement Officers could write a ticket. The Town's local law for junk is 1968; the refuse collectors LL is 1977. The Town Att'y will be given copies to work on new, updated Local Laws
- Tax sale list for April mentioned

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- Parts for the generator at the Town Barn are here

A motion to accept the Supervisor's financial report was made by Board member Butler, 2nd by Board member Whitmore. All four Board members present were in favor, motion carried. Board member Holcomb was absent.

MINUTES APPROVAL for January 16th

7:30PM

Board member Butler noted that all except one of the Resolutions in the minutes were numbered as #2. Town Clerk Owens will correct the errors and renumber them correctly. A motion was made by Board member Butler, 2nd by Board member Wark to accept the minutes with the corrections. All four Board members present were in favor, motion carried. Board member Holcomb absent.

WARRANTS

7:35PM

General Warrant # 2, Vouchers # 15–38, in the amount of \$5,937.89 were reviewed for payment. A motion to accept and pay these claims was made by Board member Whitmore, 2nd by Board member Butler. All four Board members present were in favor, motion carried. Board member Holcomb absent.

Vouchers paid early: # 15-17; Flag/Banner Co., VOIP-1, Spectrum total: \$1421.07

Highway Warrant # 2, Vouchers # 16-30, no # 29, in the amount of \$18,968.03 were reviewed for payment. A motion to accept and pay these claims was made by Board member Whitmore, 2nd by Board member Wark. All four Board members present were in favor, motion carried. Board member Holcomb absent.

Board members gave the ok for Hwy Sup't Witkowski to order the hydraulic press for hose making. Gradall price quote to fix is still coming.

There was no other business to come before the Board. Supervisor Cammarata declared the meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

OTHER: Next monthly Board meeting is March 20th

Alison B. Owens

Smithville Town Clerk