

December 19, 2019

Regular Town Board Meeting

Present: Supervisor Edward Bender, Councilman Alan Wood, Councilman Dan Wiley, Councilman Marty Mason, Keith Brass, Highway Superintendent Bill Pond and approximately 5 visitors.

Absent: Councilman Paul Aubertine, excused.

Supervisor Bender opened the meeting at 6pm with the pledge of allegiance. He explained that the board intends to go into executive session to interview candidates for the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Board of Assessment Review vacancies. He also said that the board would resume the Zoning Law public hearing immediately following.

Councilman Wood made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:03pm, seconded by Councilman Mason. All members present voted AYE.

Councilman Wiley made a motion to come out of Executive Session and open the zoning law public hearing at 6:43pm, seconded by Councilman Wood. All members present voted AYE.

Supervisor Bender called for comments on the proposed Zoning Law. No one wished to speak.

Councilman Wood made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:45pm, seconded by Councilman Wiley.

Councilman Mason made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 21, 2019 meeting, seconded by Councilman Wiley. All members present voted AYE.

Reports

Recreation Park – Keith Brass told the board that they have had the regular meetings and a birthday party in the building. He said that the 2020 calendar is filling up as well.

Water – Keith Brass said that they are still doing water shut offs and have averaged one leak a month in water district 1. He said that they have moved spare pipes for easy access if they should need them. Keith said that John has installed outlets at the water tower and the 2017 truck was at the dealership for recalls. Keith has taken his certified Excavator training. Keith would like to have some of the old meter reading equipment declared surplus.

Highway – Bill Pond said that they have had the fire department's pump truck to flush culverts. He said that they have winterized the Chamber office. He said that the Millen's Bay culvert project is completed and the Christmas lights are up at Tibbetts Point. Bill said that they borrowed a chipper from the town of Lyme and are taking care of brush along the roads. He also reported that he has received a check for CHIPS reimbursement and expects to receive another one from Extreme Weather Recovery.

Councilman Wood thanked Bill for plowing a wide strip for parking at the K of C building in Rosiere.

Supervisor's Financial Report – Supervisor Bender reviewed the account balances.

Councilman Wiley made a motion to accept the Supervisor's Financial Report.

Supervisor Bender said that the town was awarded a \$250,000.00 matching grant for Club Street.

Machinery Committee – Councilman Mason said that he and Councilman Aubertine met with Bill Pond to review the purchase of a new truck. He said that they are in favor of the purchase which will come out of the 2020 budget.

LWRP – Councilman Wiley said that they will have a final review of the projects on January 15. He said that then it will go to the State for their approval.

Youth Commission – Councilman Wiley said that the winter basketball program has started and the Lions Club will again this year sponsor a free swim for students.

LDC – Councilman Wiley said that an \$843,000.00 grant has been awarded for the Club Street project. He said this is in addition to the \$250,000.00 grant awarded. Councilman Wiley said that the paperwork is being done now.

He said that Scot Burto is working on the paperwork for the playground and pickle ball grants.

Councilman Wiley said that they LDC have two new members, Christine Stark and Shannon Walters. He said that they meet the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 6pm. He said that they are still working on a bike friendly path and are looking for ideas for uses of the Tibbetts Point houses to help bring in revenue.

Supervisor Bender said that he will be meeting with the DEC regarding the potential use of the Bass Pond area.

Supervisor Bender said that at the November 21 meeting he had asked that the Board consider renewing the PIVOT contract. Councilmen Wiley and Mason both agreed it was something that they would like to continue to provide to the employees.

Councilman Wiley made a motion to renew the PIVOT contract in the amount of \$338.00, seconded by Councilman Mason. All members present voted AYE.

Councilman Wiley made a motion that the Town of Cape Vincent set the date of January 2 at 9am for the town's organizational meeting, seconded by Councilman Mason. All members present voted AYE.

Councilman Mason made a motion to appoint Councilman Wood as the town's representative at the Association of Town's meeting during the training in New York City, seconded by Supervisor Bender. All members present voted AYE.

Councilman Mason said that he would like to have a small committee set up to look over the bass pond area for ideas for their use. Councilman Wiley said that he is all for this idea.

Councilman Mason said that he has been told that the town is responsible for 5% match to the Village's REDI grant. Supervisor Bender said that he was told it could be done with in-kind services. Councilman Mason said that the village will be having a meeting on this.

Councilman Wood asked for an update on the status of water district 7. Supervisor Bender said that they are still waiting to hear about funding.

Keith Brass asked Councilman Mason if there was a date the Library would be moving into the Recreation Park building. Councilman Mason said there is no word yet.

Resolution #73

Resolution #73 was moved by Councilman Wiley, seconded by Councilman Mason. Resolution #73 is to authorize the Supervisor to make budget modifications to balance all accounts to close the 2019 year. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Resolution #74

Resolution #74 was moved by Councilman Mason, seconded by Councilman Wood. Resolution #74 is to authorize the Supervisor to sign all documents regarding the State and Municipal Facilities Program (SAM) Grant through DASNY for the Club Street project. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Resolution #75

Resolution #75 was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilman Mason. Resolution #75 is the town board's decision that the proposed Zoning Law has a Negative Declaration. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Resolution #76

Resolution #76 was moved by Councilman Wiley, seconded by Councilman Mason. Resolution #76 is the adoption of Local Law No 2, the Town of Cape Vincent Zoning Law. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Resolution #77

Resolution #77 was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilman Wiley. Resolution #77 is to authorize the Supervisor to sign the dog shelter service agreement with Dan Moyer from Jan. 1, 2020 through Dec. 31, 2020 and agree to an annual fee of \$300.00. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Resolution #78

Resolution #78 was moved by Councilman Wiley, seconded by Councilman Wood. Resolution #78 is to appoint Richard Macsherry to a five (5) year term as a member of the Board of Assessment Review. The term shall begin Oct. 1, 2019 and end Sept. 30, 2024. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Resolution #79

Resolution #79 was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilman Mason. Resolution #79 is to authorize the Highway Superintendent to order a new 2020 truck from Tracy Equipment and plow equipment from Tenco, price not to exceed \$229,000.00. There was no discussion. All members present voted AYE.

Bills: General Fund \$25,790.62; Highway, \$34,082.42; WD #1, \$17,721.71; WD #3, \$109.80; WD #4, \$243.32; WD #5, \$4,494.45, WD #6, \$69.96.

Councilman Wiley made a motion to approve the payment of the vouchers, seconded by Councilman Mason. All members present voted AYE.

Councilman Wiley made a motion to adjourn at 7:20pm.