

York Town Board Meeting
April 11, 2019
7:30 pm

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Council Members: Norman Gates, Frank Rose, Lynn Parnell and Amos Smith

Absent: None

Others: George Worden (Hwy Supt), Chris Ward, Kirk Richenberg and Carl Peter (Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer).

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:32 pm and invited Councilwoman Parnell to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve the minutes of the March 7th, 2019 Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Supervisor Deming stated that Mr. Richenberg had a question pertaining to the March 27th 2019 minutes. Mr. Richenberg stated it was his understanding that the reason for the Special Town Board Meeting per Attorney Campbell was the way the District was originally formed, by way of Town Board Resolution not done by Permissive Referendum and feels that should be clarified in the minutes. The Board agreed it will be added.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the minutes of the March 27th Special Town Board meeting with recommended edit. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0. (The 2nd paragraph of the 1st page will read as follows)

Mr. Campbell added, the Public Hearing notice he prepared in March of last year he feels may not be sufficient documentation to meet the Comptroller's requirement and does not want to take the chance of submitting what we have currently only to be rejected. Mr. Campbell stated that the reason for the second hearing is due to the way the District was originally formed authorizing of a Map, Plan and Report. This resolution was approved subject to a Permissive Referendum. No petition was filed within the 30 days of such adoption seeking referendum pursuant to Town Law § 91. Attorney Campbell is now asking the town Board to schedule another Public Hearing on April 24th, with a new notice to be published in order to add more information to ensure NYS Comptroller approval.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Mr. Worden reported the following for the Highway Dept:

- Doing crossover work.

- Conducted some ditching but have more to do. Will be on Retsof Rd within the next 2 weeks.
- Trimming of trees...some of which have been infected with emerald Ash Borer. We are trying to trim them back as much as possible.
- Palmyra Municipal Auction will take place on Saturday May 11th. We would like to take the 2008 F250 & snow plow equipment as well as the old 2-way radios.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Rose and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to send to the Palmyra Auction this year the 2008 F250 & snow plow equipment and the 2-way radios. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Mr. Worden reported that he and Clerk Harris have received calls regarding a ditch on Evans Ave. The Board received correspondence as well tonight from this resident seeking a resolve. Mr. Worden stated that he visited the site at the end of the snow season to verify that debris and excess was in the ditch creating a pooling affect. Due to the ice & snow still lodged at the time we knew it would have to be addressed at a later time. Mr. Worden commented that he anticipates work in that area within two weeks.

MEO Applications:

Mr. Worden stated that we received 5 applications for the MEO position and must now form a committee to conduct interviews. After some discussion, the Board agreed that Councilmen Rose & Smith will serve on the interview committee with Mr. Worden. Mr. Worden will discuss with Mrs. Barefoot a date and time for the interviews.

Councilman Smith asked if we are going to address being able to receive applicants from surrounding towns as well as our township. Mr. Smith inquired to Mr. Worden what the specific criteria is in place. Mr. Worden stated he would like for an employee to be onsite within 20 minutes of a call-out. Supervisor Deming stated that this most recent advertisement did not limit it to Town of York residents only. Councilman Smith suggested that the next time we make it clearer that we are opening it up to others in order to get the most qualified.

WATER/SEWER REPORT:

Mr. Worden reported the following for the Water & Sewer Departments:

- Mr. Worden met with the Engineers to address the punch list for Linwood Rd/ Old State Rd and pump projects specifically restoration of these areas. The Contractor indicated that they will be back in the area within a month.
- Pumps for Tuttle Road should also be here within the month time frame.
- Linwood hookups: some have connected but the majority will probably wait for good weather.
- Mr. Worden and Clark Patterson will do a walk thru with the contractors. Mr. Worden suggested preparing something for the residents to complete in order to sign off on the restoration at their property making sure all are comfortable with the work.

Old State Road long services have been completed
All has been going well at the Sewer Treatment plant, no issues. Mr. Worden commented we will have to haul dry sludge out shortly due to the holding bin being full.
We received a recall notice for the plumber's box on the truck purchased from Spurr. They are handling the situation for us. The recall is not a safety issue with driving of the vehicle.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR:

1)Kirk Richenberg:

Mr. Richenberg asked a number of questions of the Board:

-When will the Grid Bee be in at the new tower?

Mr. Worden replied that the Grid bee will be in sometime in the Spring but do not have a specific date.

-Is there anything more to be done by the contractor?

Mr. Worden answered that nothing more has to be done by the contractor.

-The Town doesn't have a set date?

Mr. Worden stated that we do not have a set date. We did take samples the other day and confirmed that there has not been a difference in the THM's. Traditionally warm weather brings on the higher numbers for THM's. Supervisor Deming added that the County is experiencing the same issue.

-Linwood Water District, before the system was put in, I have two documents That reflect the number of total units. Prior to the Linwood line, the number was 1050 units and now shows 1157 units, it only increased by 107 units but stated there is still 906 units somewhere.

Mr. Deming replied that he will review the breakdown given to Mr. Richenberg to verify the information.

-When we bid lawncare recently, is there a problem that only one person bid? Supervisor Deming answered that there is not an issue with bid approval. The notice was proper with anyone having the opportunity to submit a bid.

-Did the Fire Department receive any grant money?

Mr. Peter replied that the Fire Department has received a promise from Senator Gallivan for \$100,000.00 but nothing to date.

-No Federal Grant?

Mr. Peter answered No.

NEW BUSINESS:

1)ZBA Request:

Supervisor Deming brought before the Board a request made by our Zoning Board of Appeals. Chairman Mark Connolly discussed with Mr. Deming the possibility of purchasing sandwich board signage for posting of properties notifying residents in a particular area of upcoming potential action. Mr. Deming stated that a number of towns currently use this as a way of making people aware of future Zoning Board variance requests.

The Town Board agreed that this is a great way to inform the community of an upcoming event and feel we should proceed. Mr. Worden offered to contact the County sign shop to see if this is something, they are able to assist us with.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mrs. Parnell authorizing permission to purchase sandwich board signage for posting purposes. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0

2) Brush pick up:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Rose to schedule a brush and limb clean up day for **Wednesday, May 1, 2019**. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

3) Out of District Water-Pavilion:

The Board discussed at the March 7th meeting Town of Pavilion residents Gary Swede and Gary Graham's continued interest in receiving town water. Due to the fact that our water line goes directly past Mr. Swede's property and a portion of Mr. Graham's is in the Town of York, it was determined that we could service both as Out of District customers but bill the Town of Pavilion directly.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith & seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the Out of District Water contract with the Town of Pavilion to service two homes (Gary Swede & Gary Graham) with a 1-inch tap for residential purposes only. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

OTHER:

1) Outdoor Signboard:

Councilman Smith reported that review of outdoor signage is still underway. He will continue to keep the Board updated.

2) Solar Committee update:

Councilman Smith reported that the Solar Committee has experienced good progress over the past few meetings. Last night consisted of very good discussion but with many different opinions making it a bit difficult to accomplish much.

Supervisor Deming agreed previously the meetings had a great deal accomplished but last night not nearly as much. Ag land was the focus and when the map came out it looks like a very large amount of land in the Town of York could be covered in solar, so we have a lot of work still ahead.

8:05 P.M.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Smith to enter into Executive Session for a Personnel matter to include Town Board and Town Clerk. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

8:40 P.M.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Gates to end Executive Session. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Supervisor Deming reported that no action was taken in Executive Session.

BILLS:

GENERAL FUND:	#83-116	\$14,770.15
HIGHWAY FUND:	#66-86	\$ 8,524.01
CONSOLIDATED WATER/SEWER FUND:	#60-87	\$47,138.07
LIGHTING DISTRICT:	#4	\$1,699.12
YOUTH FUND:	#4	\$ 100.00

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Smith to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until April 24th Public Hearing. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine M. Harris
Christine M. Harris, Clerk