

Minutes

Town of Persia Regular Board Meeting

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

October 11, 2018

Budget Workshop at 6:00 pm

Public Hearing 7:00pm

Supervisor John Walgus calls meeting to order at 7:00pm

***Everyone stands for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

**** Notice of said meeting was posted in the Observer on September 26th and September 27th with same being posted at the Town Hall and the Town of Persia Website.**

Roll Call:

Supervisor: John T. Walgus: present

Highway Superintendent: Daniel H. Ackley: present

Councilperson: Theresa A. Girome: absent

Councilperson: Gloria J. Tomaszewski: present

Councilperson: Robert O. Dingman: present

Councilperson: Seth H. Howard: present

Town Clerk: Denise M. Trumpore: present

Others present:

Jack Broyles

Supervisor John T. Walgus: * I would like to open the public hearing for comment on the Preliminary budget. * I ask the bills for Abstract #10 for General and Highway be approved for payment by resolution. * I ask the Supervisor report for September is accepted by resolution. * I ask the financial report for September be accepted by resolution. * I have processed payroll for the month. * We have received the specifications from C.J. Brown Energy and Buffalo Engineering and we will be going out to bid the work from our NYSERDA project, we also received the invoice from C.J. Brown for their services, which is listed in the abstract today. I am asking for a resolution to advertise for bids for our NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities Scope of Works. * I spoke with the Mansfield Supervisor about a grant his town

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received for the construction of a salt/sand shed for his highway department, so in light of this I would like a resolution to hire Betty Accordino to apply for a grant from the state DOT for a salt/sand storage shed for our highway department not to exceed \$600.00. * I attended to County Supervisors meeting on October 4th; we discussed the tax cap, insurance and the NEW state sexual harassment policy that will include mandatory training for ALL town employees, paid and unpaid volunteers. This training must be attended by everyone employed by the town by October 2019. The town must have a Sexual Harassment Trainer (SHT) to perform these duties. Anyone who would like the position can speak to me after the meeting. Also, I will be asking for 3 volunteers and 1 alternate to be on the committee. It would be the committees' duty to investigate any and all allegations of sexual harassment that is filed. I have a copy of the policy that I would like to submit to the board for review, after review we can accept it at the reorganization meeting. * I want to thank the board for working with me on the budget, I am pleased to report that we will be staying under the NYS Tax Cap. I am amending the tentative budget by increasing A1620.4- building contractual by \$5,482 for a total of \$27,482. I ask we close the public hearing for comment on the preliminary budget and make a resolution to accept the preliminary budget for 2019.

Highway Superintendent Daniel H. Ackley: * Read highway bills. * We cleaned out the trash rack two times this past month.

Councilperson Theresa A. Girome: * absent

Councilperson Gloria J. Tomaszewski: * Attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting and the Ambulance Board meeting

Councilperson Robert O. Dingman: * Today in regards to the regional rail corridor project we entertained Cattaraugus County IDA and economic planners and developers with a train ride from Gowanda to South Dayton to show them the properties.

Councilperson Seth H. Howard: * I attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting * I would like to have a workshop to discuss Comprehensive Plan and the Sexual Harassment policy next month on November 8th at 6:30pm.

Assessor Mary A. Bailey: no report

Town Clerk Denise M. Trumpore: *

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Total transactions for September: 90

Total Collected: \$ 4,828.00

Towns Portion: \$ **676.32**

* I ask the board minutes from September 13th and September 19th are approved by resolution.

RESOLUTION # 66 Audit of Claims

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

The following was

ADOPTED AYES – 4 Dingman, Tomaszewski, Howard, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the bills contained on abstracts #10 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Abstract 10 – General vouchers #175 to #192 Total = \$ 5,284.41

Abstract 10 – Highway vouchers #68 to #71 Total = \$ 2,766.70

RESOLUTION #67 Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Howard

ADOPTED AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Howard, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to approve the minutes from September 13th and September 19th 2018.

RESOLUTION #68 Supervisors report

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

ADOPTED AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Dingman, Howard, Walgus

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the Supervisor report for September 2018.

RESOLUTION #69 Financial Report

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman

Seconded by Councilperson Howard

ADOPTED AYES – 4 Dingman, Howard, Tomaszewski, Walgus

NAYS - 0

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RESOLVED to accept the financial report for September 2018.

RESOLUTION #70 to hire Betty Accordino to apply for the NYS DOT salt/sand shed grant not to exceed \$600.00

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

ADOPTED AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Dingman, Howard, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to hire Betty Accordino to apply for the NYS DOT salt/sand shed grant not to exceed \$600.00

RESOLUTION #71 Preliminary Budget

On a motion of Councilperson Howard

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED AYES – 4 Howard, Tomaszewski, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to accept the Preliminary Budget for 2019 with the amendment of adding \$5,482 to A1620.4 Building – contractual.

RESOLUTION #72 Workshop

On a motion of Councilperson Howard

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED AYES –4 Howard, Tomaszewski, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a workshop to discuss the Comprehensive Plan and the Sexual Harassment policy on November 8th at 6:30pm.

With no further business, and hearing no objection I ask we close the public hearing and we adjourn the meeting in memory of our town residents Thomas C. Szymanski, Viola M. Bettker and Kathleen M Stein.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Trumpore

Town Clerk

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