

Minutes

Town of Persia Regular Board Meeting

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

April 11, 2019

Supervisor John Walgus calls meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Roll Call:

Supervisor: John T. Walgus: present
Highway Superintendent: Daniel H. Ackley: present
Councilperson: Theresa A. Girome: present
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: * Happy Easter to all this month and have a Happy Dyngus Day. *I have paid the pre-pays and have processed payroll. * I ask for a resolution to approve the Supervisors report and also a resolution to accept the financial statement from Bahgat & Bahgat. * We received a very nice thank-you card from Mary Bailey, and I will pass it around for you to read. * On March 18th, I received a resignation letter from Joyce Gemmill for the Planning and Zoning Board. We will need to find a replacement for her position. If you remember, we advertised for volunteers for our various boards and committees, I would appreciate your help in filling the vacancies. * On March 21st and 22nd I participated in the County Wide Meals on Wheels March for Meals Campaign at the Healthy Community Alliance Senior Nutrition Site. I helped ready the meals and then went with volunteers and delivered meals to our seniors and shut-ins. They are in need of volunteers even if for only one day a week, it takes about an hour to deliver meals. Also, in your packets is a letter from the Cattaraugus County Department of the Aging asking you to donate door prizes to be given away at their Annual Awards Recognition night. * I gave you a letter that I received from a solar power company for your information. * The New Happening Group is moving forward with the former Hollywood Happening event and it will be held this year on May 31st, and June 1st and 2nd. Please pass the word that the event will continue on as before, although in a somewhat scaled down version until they can get the experience of running such a large

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event. * On April 4th I attended the Cattaraugus County Supervisors Associations meeting; we discussed the second round of the CWSSI that we will start working on at our next meeting May 4th with Jack Searles the County Administrator. * On April 10th I attended the Cattaraugus County Economic Development Planning and Tourism Farmer/Neighbor dinner at the West Valley Fire Hall. We had 17 people representing the Town of Persia. * Paul Bishop Chief Planner for Cattaraugus County and member of the Cattaraugus County Planning Board has returned our Comprehensive Plan back with recommendation's and Theresa Girome Chair of the committee will explain the next steps needed. * Don't forget to register for the Local Government Conference at Houghton College to be held on Thursday, May 9th. * Birthday greetings go out this month to Allen Jones and Theresa Girome. *

Highway Superintendent Daniel H. Ackley: * Read highway bills. * All the roads have been broomed. * One of the highway trucks has been torn down getting ready for summer. * I would like to hire Michael Naples as a full-time Highway worker effective April 29th.

Councilperson Theresa A. Girome: * Joyce Gemmill turned in her resignation from the Planning & Zoning Board, so I ask we accept with regret her resignation by resolution. * I have the Comprehensive Plan back from Paul Bishop with recommendations and would like to have a special Planning & Zoning committee meeting on April 29th at 6:30pm to discuss the recommendations. * I attended the Farmer/Neighbor Dinner on April 11th with 361 people there.

Councilperson Gloria J. Tomaszewski: * I would like to make a resolution to hire Joshua Liskow as Court Security Officer on the recommendation of Judge Schindler. * I attended the Farmer/Neighbor dinner on April 11th; it was very nice. * I went to the grand opening of Jesse's Home Décor.

Councilperson Robert O. Dingman: * There will be train rides with the Easter Bunny on April 13th & 20th. * Being a member of the board for the Chamber of Gowanda I learned the "Happening "will be happening on May 31st & June 1st & 2nd. * The Spirit of Gowanda Dinner will be on April 13th.

Councilperson Seth H. Howard: *I have had phone conversations about the Comprehensive Plan recommendations and I feel they will be easily remedied. * I would like to thank the Hidi Fire Hall for attending Ted Dubaj's funeral who is my great uncle.

Town Clerk Denise M. Trumpore: *

Total transactions for March: 81

Total Collected: \$ 1193.00

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Towns Portion: \$ **398.51**

*I ask for a resolution to accept the minutes from March 14th. *Unpaid taxes were returned to the County. * Just a reminder that the May board meeting will be on May 23rd not May 9th.

RESOLUTION # 33 Audit of Claims

On a motion of Councilperson Howard

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

The following was

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Dingman, Girome, Tomaszewski, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the bills contained on abstract #4 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Abstract 4 – General vouchers # 55 to #75 Total = \$ 21,323.45

Abstract 4 – Highway vouchers # 16 to # 21 Total = \$ 1,125.69

RESOLUTION #34 Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Howard

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Tomaszewski, Howard, Girome, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to approve the minutes from March 14, 2019.

RESOLUTION #35 Supervisors report

On a motion of Councilperson Howard

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Girome, Tomaszewski, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the Supervisor report for March 2019.

RESOLUTION 36 Court Security Officer

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Tomaszewski, Dingman, Girome, Howard, Walgus

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to hire Joshua Liskow as Court Security Officer on the recommendation of Judge Schindler.

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RESOLUTION #37 Joyce Gemmill resignation

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Girome, Tomaszewski, Howard, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to regretfully accept the resignation of Joyce Gemmill from the Planning & Zoning Board.

RESOLUTION #38 Planning & Zoning meeting

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Howard

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Girome, Howard, Tomaszewski, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a special Planning & Zoning meeting on April 29, 2019 at 6:00pm to discuss the Comprehensive Plan.

RESOLUTION #39 Hiring Michael Naples as full-time Highway Worker

On a motion of Councilperson Howard

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Tomaszewski, Girome, Dingman, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to hire Michael Naples as full-time Highway Worker effective April 29th.

Hearing no objection, we now adjourn our meeting in memory of our Town residents Harold Dash, Jane Kota and Florence Schank.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Trumpore

Town Clerk

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