

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Thursday, August 2, 2018 @ 7PM in the municipal building.

Present were: Supervisor Alex Hammond and Councilmembers: Travis McKnight, Shirley Robinson, Scott Loomis, and Shaun Prentice.

Also Present: Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk, David Putney, Highway Superintendent, and Mark Scott.

Call to order: Supv Hammond called the meeting to order @ 7:03PM.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes: Board members missed the email the Clerk sent with the July minutes. Will review and approve at the September meeting.

Citizen's Comments: Mark Scott stated that the reopening of the Old Town hall was nice. It was hot. The Board should look into ways to cool it down a bit.

Surplus Lands Auction Results: Supv Hammond reported that the Auction was held this afternoon at 1PM. The bid results were for the entire parcel by one person. William Tiernan bid \$132,500. This was high bid. Discussion ensued.

Resolution #56

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby accept the high bid of \$132,500 from William Tiernan for the entire 170 +/- acres.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Hammond: Aye Councilor McKnight: Aye

Councilor Robinson: Aye Councilor Loomis: Aye

Councilor Prentice: Aye

Committee Reports:

Recreation: C Robinson stated that she had nothing to report.

Rescue Squad: C Prentice stated that their meeting is next week. He did speak with Julie McBath and said that the squad has three new members. Four are in EMT class. They have received the request to renew the contract with the Town and agreed to renew as is with no changes.

They are still having problems with the water coming in on the end of the building. Supt Putney wondered if we could put steel on the other end of the building so it won't go through the boards on the outside. C McKnight thought he remembered something about possible asbestos in the board and that's why we didn't remove it. Discussion was further held and the board asked the clerk to contact NRC- Matt Rose and Brian Barkley to see if they can give us a quote to test it for asbestos.

Library: C Loomis reported that there was no meeting. The book sale is this weekend.

Cemetery: C McKnight reported that he had a chance to look at the fence at the Scotch Cemetery. It really needs to be replaced. He would like to see it moved back further so not to be damaged from the snow of the plows. He would like to look at prices for the white fencing that is out at old brookside.

Highway: C McKnight reported that the Pork St and Rooky Road paving has been completed. Culverts have been installed, graded and rolled roads prior to paving. New signs have been installed on Pork St. Madrid and Lisbon assisted with the cold paving. They have hauled stone

for shoulders of the road and will be completed this month. A culvert has been replaced on the Wayne Hunter Rd that had rotted through and made a hole in the road. They have chipped brush, done routine maintenance on equipment, and buried three cremations. Various work has been completed at the old town hall (moved props downstairs, loaded extra supplies from ceiling work and took back to Lowes, fixed the hole on the stage floor where the sink was. They helped out where asked for homecoming. Cleaned and trimmed trees at the four corners and around the buildings. The car chargers were returned. Supt Putney is working with Bill Dashnaw to update the road plan produced in 2013 and also working on an equipment plan.

Supt Putney reported that the mixing/paving estimate given by Suit-Kote had increased due to the price in fuel and additional stone needed to complete the project. At this time he is \$12,952 over budget for CHIPS funding. The increase for the mixing alone was approximately \$7,000 more than estimated. The board discussed using the money from the surplus auction to help offset this cost. The total check received is \$11,386. The Board also discussed the possibility of obtaining the balance of the backyard monies from NYPA. Supv Hammond will contact Mark Slade from the Power Authority to see what our balance is there.

Supt Putney stated that the budget process will be beginning and he would like the board members to take a ride with him to see what needs to be done over the next five years. He told them that doing 1 mile of road per year is not getting the town ahead on the roads. He would like to see at least 1.5 miles completed. The Board discussed a time they could all get together to tour them.

Old Town Hall: Supv Hammond stated that he would like to have the chamber of commerce office cleaned out if they have no intentions of using it any longer. It has become a catch all for things that no one knows what to do with. He also told the board that there was a problem with the remote system for the new ceiling fans installed. The two on the stage and the one in the entryway are working correctly but the six in the center are having a problem communicating. The system is not hardwired. Some of the fans will work and some will not. Craig Debien came back to reset the system again and will give an estimate to hardwire the system. C Prentice stated that we had spent enough money on this project and if there is a problem we need to contact the manufacturer to see what can be done. C McKnight noted that he had a problem of this type and was able to take the remote wire out of the fans so they only work on one remote.

Old town hall user policy: Supv Hammond reported that Vicki MacDonald submitted some changes to be considered for the old town hall user policy. The Board discussed not allowing the hanging of anything on the walls. The clerk will send them a copy of the original user policy and the suggested changes. They will work on it at the next meeting.

Vicki MacDonald submitted a proposal for Labor only to restore the interior and exterior of one double hung window by removal of sashes to remove deteriorated bedding, glaze and paint, reinforce and repair stiles, rails, & muntins, replace broken glass with new glass, re-bed loose glass, re-glaze, restore exterior sill & frame with epoxy wood repair, prime & finish with two coats of quality exterior paint to exterior and 1 coat of finish paint to interior. Remove window stops, & jambs to expose sash cord and weight, replace sash cord, examine pulley and weight – replace if needed. Re-assemble sashes into opening to function properly. Re-assemble jamb, and stops, fill, caulk, prime & paint 1 coat finish to match interior finish. The rate per hour is \$35.00. She proposed to complete one double hung window at ground level to determine a cost for the rest of the windows. She anticipates up to 10 hrs to complete one 4 pane double hung window depending on the amount of deterioration. Discussion was held.

Resolution #57

Motioned by: Prentice

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to allow Vicki MacDonald to complete the repair of one window as per her specifications submitted. Ayes: All

Car Charger: C Prentice stated that he has sent the paperwork for clean energy in. EV connect needed a copy of the paid bill for the electrician. He got it from the clerk and submitted. He

asked if we should contact our insurance company about the station. The clerk will contact them.

Empire State development: Supv Hammond reported that the announcement has not been made yet. He spoke with a representative from Ernest Young who has been doing the study for the state. They told him they would be available to work with the Town for their feasibility study for lodging if it comes to that when announced.

Social Media user Policy: Supv Hammond reported that he had reviewed C Prentice's social media policy that he submitted at the last meeting. He feels that his policy speaks specifically to Facebook use. He would like to have the board adopt it as that.

Resolution #58

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Robinson

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby adopt the submitted policy as its Facebook use policy.

Ayes: Hammond, McKnight, Robinson, Loomis Naye: Prentice

Supv Hammond stated he would like to discuss live streaming again. C McKnight noted that we still had a lot of items on the agenda and would like to table until next month. The Board agreed. Supv Hammond said that he would have Jacob Macnamara come to the next meeting to give the town options.

Emergency Services Tower: Supv Hammond told the Board that Mike LaCuyer had been in contact with him concerning the tower. Supv Hammond, Supt Putney, and Mike had scoped out a spot outback that will work for the tower. The board will have to approve the project so that he can start the paperwork from the county.

Resolution #59

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Town of Waddington will work with the County of St Lawrence to erect a emergency service tower on property owned by the Town. Ayes: All

Workplace violence: Supt Hammond reported that he has been informed that all employees of the Town of Waddington must attend a workplace violence prevention class. Safety Joe will conduct the class on September 10th @ 6PM just before our monthly meeting. Notices will go out to employees concerning this.

Homecoming Stage: Supv Hammond reported that he had received a request from the Mayor of Rensselaer Falls to borrow our stage again for their homecoming celebration on September 8 & 9. They will pay the town \$100 as they did last year.

Resolution #60

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby authorize Rensselaer Falls to use the homecoming stage on September 8th & 9th for \$100. Ayes: All

Waddington Fish & Game Club: Supv Hammond asked the board their feeling about the Fish & Game Club's presentation/request from last meeting. He said he had spoken with Alex Smith from Madrid and was told that the fish & game club is coming to them also. The Board discussed this and stated if they sponsor they would make a condition that they hold the youth fishing derby. Discussion ensued

Resolution #61

Motioned by: Loomis

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to contribute \$500 from economic development to the Waddington Fish & Game Club provided that it is used to sponsor the youth fishing derby and that they submit a detailed budget. Ayes: All

North Country Life Flight:

Resolution #62

Motioned by: Prentice
Seconded by: Loomis

WHEREAS: North Country LIFE FLIGHT, Inc. is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt corporation which is responsible for aspects of patient care by providing medical equipment, training medical personnel and administering the medical portion utilizing the New York State Police helicopter based in Saranac Lake and private fixed-wing aviation resources; and

WHEREAS: The New York State Police aviation resources do not provide a medically trained team or medical equipment for patient transports; and

WHEREAS: The people of Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, and St. Lawrence Counties receive a vital emergency medical service for critically ill and seriously injured patients, and therefore municipal governments are asked to pledge monies for this worthwhile program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Board of the Town of Waddington hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into a contract with North Country LIFE FLIGHT, Inc. for the purpose of operating the medical component of the medical program, which will serve its residents and visitors, and paying the amount of \$100 which represents the Town's share for 2017; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of \$100 is hereby appropriated to account no A1010.4 for payment to the North Country LIFE FLIGHT, Inc. Ayes: All

Acting Justice: The acting justice has requested that she be paid bi-weekly instead of quarterly like the prior justice.

Resolution #63

Motioned by: McKnight
Seconded by: Robinson

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby approve the bookkeeper to pay the acting Justice Elizabeth Sharpe on a bi-weekly basis. Ayes: All

Copy Machine: The clerk reported that the Canon Image Runner 2022 copier that is in the meeting room has died. Parts to fix the machine will cost approximately \$800 with labor. The machine is 12 years old and parts are harder to find for it. She spoke with a representative from Usherwood who looked at the machine and he had quoted a price on a refurbished machine but then later contacted and stated that they were no longer available. She contacted Advanced Business Systems who sold and services the printers/copier/scanners in the Clerk's Office and the Highway Superintendent's Office. They have quoted a new Kyocera TASKalfa 4002i. The price is \$3,763.63. The clerk reached out to the Village to request that they contribute ½ of the price because it is available for everyone to use. They seemed receptive through the emails but their meeting is Monday evening and they will discuss.

Resolution #64

Motioned by: Hammond
Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington does hereby approve the purchase of one Kyocera TASKalfa 4002i of the price of \$3,763.63 contingent on the approval of the Village contributing half the cost when they have their board meeting. Ayes: All

Executive Session: A motion was made by Loomis, seconded by Robinson to enter into executive session to discuss highway contract negotiations at 8:50PM. Supv Hammond recused himself from the discussion and left the room. A motion was made by McKnight, seconded by Robinson to return to regular session @ 9:15PM. No action was taken during executive session.

Highway Contract:

Resolution #65

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to the terms discussed between the Town and the Highway Union workers. This contract will be effective 1-1-2018 through 12-31-2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Hammond: Abstain

C. McKnight: Aye

C. Robinson: Aye

C. Loomis: Aye

C. Prentice: Aye

Bills: A motion was made by Loomis, seconded by Robinson to pay bills #12050 -12095 in the amount of \$142,630.88. Ayes: All

Adjournment: A motion was made by Loomis, seconded by Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 9:28PM. Ayes: All

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk