

## Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Monday, March 13, 2017 @ 7PM in the Municipal Building.

**Present were:** Supervisor: Sandra Wright and Councilmembers: Travis McKnight, Shirley Robinson, Patricia VanPatten, and Shaun Prentice.

**Also Present:** Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk, Robert Dalton, Highway Superintendent, Vic & Stephanie Messier, Mark Scott, Lowell McAllister, Barbara Doe, and Meghan Kent.

**Call to order:** Supv Wright called the meeting to order @ 7PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by McKnight, seconded by Prentice to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: All

### **Citizen's Comments:**

Barbara Doe spoke to the Board regarding the water in the Village. She wanted to make the Town aware that the Village should give consideration to moving of the well and stop chlorination. She also noted that the St. Lawrence County Legislators and Villages should be dissolved. The Board thanked her for her input.

Mark Scott reported that there will be a summer market based on the Christmas in Waddington. It will run June 30 – September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Businesses will again be in the old Chris Fay's building and Clarke House. If anyone is interested in a spot they will need to contact the event planner Nicole. The deadline for information for the next Waddington Recorder will be April 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be published the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Recreation:** The skating show took place on Sunday at the Louisville Arena. Everything went well. Katelyn Bernard said the kids did a great job. It might have been a little cold but they stuck it out. They were pleased with our ice at the arena this year even though we didn't have it for long. They liked the size of the rink.

**Tourism:** The planning of the Bass Masters Parking in the Park is on-going. There is a meat raffle going on with tickets being sold at the Seaway Smokehouse and also Jackie Brooks has tickets available.

**Highway:** Supt Dalton reported that they have been busy plowing and sanding. They have traveled 1966 miles since the February meeting. They are doing maintenance on trucks, have thawed two frozen culverts, modified the discharge spout on the brush chipper so to better load the truck, cutting brush along the Dunbar and Halfway House Rds., built a new containment for gasoline storage tank, and did maintenance on and painted the hot mix patch trailer.

They have built three picnic tables and put a new roof on the trash building at the beach. They will build an additional three tables in their spare time.

**Rescue Squad:** C Prentice reported that the Rescue Squad had met on Monday. They have been reviewing potential agreements, meeting on the BASS tournament and Dragon Boat races. They continue to look at consolidated and shared services with Madrid. They have a couple of new applicants.

They are awaiting a response from the Mayor concerning the BASS tournament. They have not signed up to provide their services as of yet. They have asked for some sort of donation. They were told that there is no money for this or meal vouchers. They will still provide service to the surrounding area but will not be on site for the BASS. They have asked for a break in the auxiliary booth to help raise some funds and were told that there are no breaks. It would be \$500 just like any other vendor.

They will be part of a huge mock drill at the airport in Ogdensburg.

**Brandy Brook Bridge:** Supt Dalton reported that the Brandy Brook Bridge will be receiving a new deck and refurbished pillars this summer. There will be one lane of traffic with traffic lights to control the site. One will control the boat launch & McGinnis and the other will control the lane traffic. This will begin around April 3<sup>rd</sup> through November.

**Library:** C Robinson reported that the Library Board met on March 7<sup>th</sup>. The art gallery sent a thank you card to the board for the use of the two tables. Dave from Gravitational Bull is scheduled for August 4<sup>th</sup> during homecoming. Sheryl Evans suggested having it at the beach. The friends will pay for this. The insurance payment for the floor was received. Edith will call Maitland's to do the repair. Melissa D'Alengo from the co-op will have cooking classes in March. Edith will put out flyers and pass them out at school. Gene Lalonde gave a survival presentation on April 8<sup>th</sup> which she attended. It was very interesting. March 13<sup>th</sup> there wasn't any heat in the library. Edith called Bob and he found a part had come off outside.

**Surplus Property Auctioneer:** Supv Wright reported that the Town had received three quotes for auctioneer services for the sale of surplus properties along old River Rd. There are 177 acres and will be sold as four parcels. There are actually 6 parcels but they will be combined at the time of sale. Proposals were received from Kent Auctioneering Services, Brozdeck, and Messier Auction Service. She noted that the sale would be a quit claim deed. There is no abstract of title insurance. The sale is subject to permissive referendum. The minimum bid would be \$91,900 as per the appraisal done in 2012. Supv Wright noted that the Town is waiting on an easement for the properties from NYPA.

Mark Scott stated that the Board should look at the deed restrictions placed on the properties received in 2007. He said that there was a flood zone restriction on the parcel that the Town sold on the River Rd. This was a stumbling block for the purchaser.

	Buyer Premium	Advertising:
Messier Auction Service: 3 options for sale: unreserved, minimum bid & reserve bid	10%	\$2,950 Est
Kent Auction Service: Multi Parcel auction	10%	\$1,000 Max
Brzostek's: Unreserved	10%	\$3,995

The Board had a few questions for Messier's. They asked about their advertising costs. Messier's stated that if it was not all used they would reimburse the Town. Further discussion ensued.

#### Resolution #27

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Robinson

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby appoint Kent Auction Service to sell the 177.4 acres of property located along the old River Rd in the Town of Waddington.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Wright: Aye

Councilman McKnight: Aye

Councilman Robinson: Aye

Councilman VanPatten: Aye

Councilman Prentice: Aye

Supv Wright stated that the next step in our process should be to hold another informational meeting to update the public on the status of the sale. She asked what would be good for the Board. They will look at the week of March 27<sup>th</sup>. She will contact Josh Kent to see his availability and get back with the board.

**Old Town Hall:** Supv Wright reported that the Board members had received the revised heating plan from Kevin Smith. The Board discussed the proposal and didn't feel comfortable

with the heating system proposed. The only place for distribution is Howland Pump, Ogdensburg. C. Prentice stated that he looked on the company's actual website and couldn't find a distributor or repair parts available in this area. Discussion was held and the Board has decided that they want to go with a Navion brand system. These systems are used in a broad area and parts are available should we need them. The Board discussed the electrical work submitted by Craig Debien. C. Prentice would like to see him install another circuit next to the one already in place. He will call Craig to discuss this.

The Board discussed Wi-Fi for the building. They stated that it should be able to be done with line of site from the municipal building. They also discussed DSL since there is a Verizon connection in the building. Supv Wright noted that there is a phone line active in the building and asked the board their feelings on having a phone available for emergencies. The Board discussed this and will install a red phone with a sign that states for emergency purposes only.

**Ag Permits:** Supv Wright stated that there are five ag permits that are issued along the old river road. These will have to be cancelled if the board is going to sell the property. The Board discussed the situation and asked the clerk to mail a letter to the people affected stating that there is a possibility of cancellation if the property is sold. There is no sense to cancelling the leases if the property doesn't sell.

**Iroquois Dam Gate:** Supv Wright told the board that the gate at the dam has been officially locked. She asked how many keys should be made and how they should be distributed. Currently keys have been given to the land leases, the Rescue Squad, Fire Department, Border Patrol, and NYPA. The Board discussed the policy.

#### Resolution #28

Motioned by: Prentice

Seconded by: Robinson

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby state that the gate at the Iroquois Dam will remain locked and no keys will be signed out for access until the Board is able to come up with a forma access policy. Ayes: All

The Town Clerk will contact the Town Attorney to see if he has any sample policies to follow.

**LENS Program:** The Town will be participating in the LENS program (Licensing event notification service) This program is run by the NYS DMV. They will inform the town of any changes made to an employee's license. We have been approved for participation and are waiting for the passcode to finish setting up the registration.

**McGinnis Rd Property:** Supv Wright reported that the property at the corner of McGinnis and Rt 37 has been sold in a foreclosure auction. The new owners have begun cleaning up the burnt structure.

**Polniak Easement Request:** Supv Wright stated that the Board had received a request from Justin Polniak requesting permission to have his power lines buried 15' inside the towns 17' right of way on the Harper Rd. Justin has contacted National Grid. It will cost \$77,000 to have power installed. He has contacted the landowners between him and the closest power pole to his property to obtain easements from them to bury the cable. He has been able to contact all but one property owner. Without his easement he can't make it to his property. Hence he has asked permission from the Board. Supt Dalton stated that he had met with Justin to discuss the project. He noted that there would be no reason that the Town would have to worry about the 15'. The ditching that is done is within a few feet of the road. He did tell him that he would have to mark the cable every 200-400'. He also spoke with the Town Attorney who told him the only thing that would need to be done is to pass a resolution and to have a map produced that shows the easement given. Supt Dalton submitted the map to the Board. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by VanPatten to allow the burial of the power line within the 15' easement. There was no second. The resolution failed.

**Cintas Pricing:** Supv Wright stated that another uniform company had come to the town to solicit their business for uniforms. They had looked at what the town is currently paying and

stated that based on our contract with Cintas we have been overcharged for some time. Supv Wright and Supt Dalton met with the Cintas representative. Currently we are paying \$102 per week for uniforms. We have two years left of our contract. He has offered a cut of ½ per week for the next two years with a 7% increase the last year.

Resolution #29

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Prentice

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby accept the offer from Cintas for the remaining two years of the contract. The weekly rate will be cut by 50% and a 7% increase will take effect the last year of the contract. Ayes: All

**Waddington Fire Department:** The Waddington Fire Department awarded the Town with a certificate of appreciation at their annual banquet.

**Emergency Services Agreement:** Supv Wright stated that as a result of NYPA's review they have sent an agreement to the Waddington Rescue Squad to pay them \$2,932 annually.

Resolution #30

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Robinson

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree with the Waddington Rescue Squad to sign the emergency services agreement with NYPA and receive \$2,932 annually.

Ayes: Wright, McKnight, Robinson, and VanPatten

Abstain: Prentice

**Hardscrabble Rd:** Supt Dalton requested permission to post the gravel portion of the Hardscrabble Rd for a maximum weight limit of 8 tons.

Resolution #31

Motioned by: Prentice

Seconded by: McKnight

WHEREAS, the Hardscrabble Road is located in the Town of Waddington; and

WHEREAS, the Hardscrabble Road is three (3) miles in length with one (1) mile being paved and two (2) miles gravel;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby post a weight limit of 8 tons on the two (2) miles of gravel portion of the Hardscrabble Rd. Ayes: All

**Pickup proposal:** Supt Dalton submitted proposals for a new pickup truck. Bids were gotten through the National Auto Fleet Group and State bids for Chevy and Ford as follows:

National Auto Fleet Group

Bid #102811

2017 Chevy Silverado 2500HD, 4WD, Regular Cab

Fisher 8'5" Xtreme V Plow

Base: \$32,632.51

Plow: 6,930.00

39,562.51

2017 Chevy Silverado 3500HD, 4 WD, Regular Cab

Fisher 8'5" Xtreme V Plow

Base: \$33,882.38

MSRP: \$43,190.00

Plow: 6,930.00

40,812.38

Parker Chevrolet, Champlain NY

2017 Chevy Silverado 2500HD, WT 4WD

Boss 8'3" V Plow- Stainless (plow is already installed on this truck \$150.00 to remove)

Base:	\$29,343.11	MSRP:	\$38,752.92
Plow:	6,070.00		
Fees:	<u>97.50</u>		
	35,413.11		

2017 Chevy Silverado 3500HD, WT, 4WD

Base:	\$31,790.21	MSRP:	40,513.21
Fees:	<u>97.50</u>		
	31,887.71		

VanBortel Ford  
Chantangua Bid E-11-14-PFTH 2017 Group 5, Item 3, Vehicle 1

2017 F-250 XL \$WD MSRP: \$39,471.76

Base Price:	\$29,113.82
Ford Snow Plow Surcharge	695.00
5 yr warranty	2,139.00
Extra care commercial	
Use surcharge required	<u>200.00</u>
	32,147.82

The Board discussed the proposals and the following resolution passed.

#### Resolution #32

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Prentice

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase a 2017 Chevy Silverado 3500HD, WT, 4WD from Parker Chevrolet, Champlain, NY through the State Bid in the amount of \$31,887.71.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Wright: Aye	C. McKnight: Aye
C. Robinson: Aye	C. VanPatten: Aye
C. Prentice: Aye	

**Golf Cart:** C. McKnight has received a quote on a 2011 Club Car electric golf cart for use at the beach. It has a new battery, windshield, extra traction rear tires, a single point watering system, and rear flip down seat. The total cost \$3,307. Supt Dalton stated that the caretaker would be able to use the cart for garbage removal, gardening, and maintenance. He has in the past used an old lawn mower with a cart. This is not made to be a daily driving vehicle and is starting to have problems. The Board discussed and C McKnight will see if they would be interested in taking the mower in on a trade for the cart.

**Old Town Barn Roof:** Supt Dalton asked the board for their input concerning the roof on the old town barn. It has deteriorated to the point that it will need a new rafter system. Andy Losey from Roll Lock Truss will work on a price for him. The Board asked what they store in the building. He stated that the small dump truck, bucket truck, brush hog, and tractor are among some of the items in there. The Board discussed this and stated that he should get prices for a basic pole barn for the 2018 budget.

**Executive Session:** A motion was made by McKnight, seconded by Prentice to enter into executive session @ 10:05 PM to discuss highway negotiations and pending litigation. A motion was made by McKnight, seconded by Robinson to return to regular session @ 10:10PM. No action was taken during executive session.

**Bills:** A motion was made by Robinson, seconded by McKnight to pay bills #10917 - 10978 in the amount of \$134,747.05.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by McKnight, seconded by VanPatten to adjourn the meeting @ 10:15PM. Ayes: All

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk