

April 11, 2016 the regular Town Board meeting was held in the Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. and all members of the board were in attendance. The Supervisor led the pledge to the flag. A motion to accept the previous month's minutes was made by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Greenough and all were in favor. A motion to pay the audited bills was made by Coun. Greenough and was seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor.

**Old Business:** The state audit is continuing with the County Treasurer. Mr. Nolette is about finished with 2012 in all accounts. Once the OSC approves the reports the next year will begin. The Financials were given to the board and are on file in the clerk's office. We are still concerned with the Highway as 82% of the maintenance and 69% if the machinery accounts have been used. The weed job money hasn't come through as of yet. According to the State, disability insurance and worker's compensation receipts are necessary to show coverage and Northern Insuring Agency has written new coverage. Councilman Raymond brought up about a comparative salary based on length of time of service so as to be able to plan for repairs to the boats. Discussion ensued about the salaries of the boat operator's and how much money the town makes participating in the program.

A list is compiling for the veteran's sign but there hasn't really been anything new. There is \$550 in the General fund that has been donated thus far. A potential fund drive is in the works for a later time to help raise money.

The brass sign is in for the dedication to Maynard Rushia. Sup. Gang showed the board the sign and Mr. Hobus will discuss with Marion Rushia about a day and time for the dedication.

An auction will be conducted for the sale of the Ripley house and it is being directed towards potential homeowner with the intent to purchase and live in it. If no bids are received with that intent then the sale will be opened up to a buyer so the bank that owns it now will recoup some of its renovation investment.

**New Business: Resolution #8-2016 titled Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of Dresden Electing Direct Payment of Washington County Sales and Compensating Use Tax Allocation** was put forth by Coun. Wilbur and seconded by Coun. Barber and all were in favor.

**Resolution #9-2016 titled Budget Amendment, General** whereas has continuing Dog Control Expenses and monies are necessary to cover the expenses, was put forth by Coun. Raymond and seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

**Resolution #10-2016 titled Retirement of Court Clerk, Gail Smith** to remove her from the payroll as of April 30, 2016 was put forth by Coun. Greenough, and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

**Resolution #11-2016 titled Appointment of Court Clerk, Gail Smith** to appoint her to fulfill the term of her position beginning May 2, 2016 was put forth Coun. Greenough, and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

Coun. Wilbur brought up to the board about some ways to bring the public into town and suggested a Maple Sugar Day to recognize the sugaring going on in the town. It is in effort to bring exposure to our little town and what it has to offer. There were discussions about opening the fire house and having a public pancake breakfast and open some tables to vendors. There was discussion about volunteers and donations and other ways to fund the endeavor. A small discussion about using alternative sentencing to assist with the small projects around the town hall that needs to be done.

The Town Clerk brought up during the new business about the possibility of having dog enumeration done in effort to bring up some town revenue. A handout was given to the board of the Town of Hampton's newly revised plan for dog control laws for review. Some discussion ensued about the current Animal Control Officer taking some time off during the winter months and retaining his appointed salary during the time. At the current time there is a replacement while he is out of town.

**Highway Superintendent's Report:** Since the last meeting the crew has finished brooming the town roads. Coun. Greenough has been working with us on the modifications of our tractor mounted broom to be used on the front of one of our trucks. This broom will be used mainly for dead end roads and intersections. The crew removed a large pine tree from Goldey Road in Hulett's Landing and removed a large maple tree and other trees from Pike Brook and North and Cross Roads. Any firewood that was good enough was saved and split and stacked in our shed. Potholes were filled in and some ditching was done on Pike Brook Road and Bluff Head. Some of the maintenance included removal and repair of the tow behind broom wafers. Walt Douglas installed JD injector pump and replacement of the rear tires on the TD11. The highlander sander was greased and put away for the season. Jim Brown replaced the floor in the 660 grade all. Some of the crew members attended a mowing safety day that was put on by the Washington County Safety Officer and was held in the Kingsbury Town Barn. The TD24 is back in the garage having the transmission worked on at Washington County Dept. of Public Works.

Tom Conrad contacted Sup. Gang about the upcoming work to be done on the bridge on 6B and his concerns about the weight limits that have been placed on the project as well as the width of to allow turns. A meeting will be held with the county and Mr. Conrad about moving the project until the fall. A letter was anonymously sent to the board and the Supervisor expressing a concern about the position of the Town Clerk being eligible for insurance benefits. There was no merit to the letter and the information contained in the letter is incorrect. It is the consensus of the board that the letter is not important since no one has come forward with any concerns to either the board or the Supervisor.

There were no further discussions and a motion was made to adjourn by Coun. Wilbur. Respectfully submitted Marcinda Wilbur, Town Clerk.

**Attendance:** Scott Brown