

January 8, 2018 Regular Town Board as well as the 2018 Organizational Meeting was held in the Town Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. and all board members were in attendance. Sup. Elect Paul Ferguson led the pledge to the flag. The Town Clerk issued the Oathes of Office for the elected officials. Officials are as follows:

Town Supervisor....Paul Ferguson  
Town Councilman...D. Patrick Greenough  
Town Councilman...Edwin Raymond

**Organizational Resolutions:**

RESOLUTION #1-2018 Title: Policies

Be it RESOLVED that the 2018 Town Board of the Town of Dresden accepts and adopts all fiscal and procedural policies in effect at the end of 2018 until and unless modified by the board. A motion was made by Coun. Greenough as was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

**RESOLUTION #2-2018 Title: Salaries**

Be it RESOLVED that the following schedule of salaries and compensation for employees of the Town of Dresden for the year 2018 is adopted;

Supervisor.....	\$14,500.00/yr
Town Councilman (4).....	\$3,000.00/yr
Town Clerk.....	\$18,000.00/yr
Highway Superintendent.....	\$51,500.00/yr
Town Justice (2).....	\$6,000.00/yr
Assessor.....	\$16,200.00/yr
Bookkeeper/Supervisor's Secretary.....	\$720.00/yr
Tax Collector.....	\$5,000.00/yr
Deputy Highway Superintendent.....	\$570.00/yr
Budget Officer.....	\$12,400.00/yr
Registrar of Vital Statistics.....	\$700.00/yr
Dog Control Officer.....	\$2,600.00/yr
Animal Control Officer.....	\$900.00/yr
Historian.....	\$750.00/yr
Sewer Dist. #1 Operator...4/12-12/20.....	\$215.00/wk., \$19.00/hr other
Justice Court Clerk.....	\$17.00/hr
Building Custodian.....	\$15.00/hr
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	\$14.00/hr as authorized by Town Board

Highway workers paid as per contract with the Teamsters Union

Reimbursement for authorized travel on Town business outside of town: \$0.45/mile. Meals out of the County on Town Business: \$9.00 for Breakfast, \$15.00 for Lunch, \$23.00 for Dinner.

Maximum use of town credit/debit cards, for any single purpose, to be set at \$300 without prior notification and approval from either the Budget Officer or member of the Budget Committee. A motion was made by Coun. Raymond and was seconded by Coun. Greenough and all were in favor.

**RESOLUTION #3-2018 Title: Appointments**

Be it RESOLVED that the following appointments to office or position are adopted for 2018;

Deputy Supervisor.....	Councilman Donald Greenough
Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Tax Collector.....	Councilman Allen Wilbur
Deputy Highway Superintendent.....	James Brown
Director of Finance/Budget Officer.....	Supervisor Paul Ferguson
Tax Collector.....	Town Clerk Marcinda Wilbur
Registrar of Vital Statistics.....	Town Clerk Marcinda Wilbur
Supervisor Secretary.....	VACANT
Dog/Animal Control Officer.....	VACANT
Justice Court Clerk.....	Gail Smith
Historian.....	Cathy Huntington
Assessor.....	June Maniacek
Town Attorney.....	Matt Fuller

(With the firm of Meyer & Fuller)

Official Bank.....Community Bank

Official Paper.....Whitehall Times. A motion was made by Coun. Wilbur

and was seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor.

**RESOLUTION #4-2018 Title: Highway Agreement**

Be it RESOLVED that the agreement with the Highway Superintendent of the Town of Dresden for the maintenance and improvement of the town highway system for 2018 is approved. A motion was made by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor.

TOWN BOARD COMMITTEES FOR 2018

Buildings and Grounds.....	Raymond, Wilbur
Budget.....	Barber, Ferguson, Greenough
Cemeteries.....	Raymond, Wilbur
Highway.....	Barber, Greenough
Insurance.....	Barber, Ferguson
Legal.....	Barber, Ferguson
Open Space.....	Barber, Wilbur
Recreation.....	Barber, Raymond
Sewer District.....	Greenough, Raymond
Town Justice Review.....	Greenough, Wilbur

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. Raymond and was seconded by Coun. Greenough and all were in favor.

**Old Business:** The financials were given to the board and are on file in the clerk’s office. These are the final numbers for the year of 2017. Sup. Ferguson announced to the board that the Transmission Developers will be having a meeting on February 8, 2018 in Putnam to discuss the impact of the power line running from Canada down through to New York City. It has been recommended that any of the Councilmen interested are invited to attend and Mr. Ferguson will contact the councilmen as the date comes closer. We are in line to expect to receive \$120,000 in tax money after the project is complete.

**New Business:** It was reported that the payroll will now be submitted electronically through check wise. The only difference will be how it’s submitted. The former Supervisor did it by faxing the hours. A new formatted time sheet will begin to be used to report the hours worked for the town road crew and an example was given to each of the board members. A copy of each of the members email addresses was given to all as well as the clerk so that any pertinent information can easily be passed along. Sup. Ferguson still hasn’t been in touch with the auditor for the town AUD for 2013 but is still trying to reach out to him. The Dog Control Officer is vacant and there have been several candidates willing to serve in the position. There are a few things required for the incoming candidate. They must have completed a dog control class as well as have had the series of rabies shots and one person has met these requirements. It will be decided at the next meeting. Until that time, Sup. Ferguson will be handling any calls that come in.

**Highway Superintendent’s Report:** Since the close-out meeting held on December 29<sup>th</sup> the crew has had to deal with severe cold temperatures and some equipment failures. It took two days to get the 544 loader running. Other equipment troubles included TD-11 froze up and the fuel gelled. TD-14 and TD-24 also had some malfunctions due to weather and the 2001 Tandem’s right rear oil seal went bad causing bearing and axle failure.

There was some discussion about the Lake George Basin and salt run-off. This isn’t really a problem up here and is more addressed on the southern edge of Lake George. Also, a discussion ensued about the transfer station located in Whitehall. The recycling company still owes 1.2 million dollars for the final price agreed upon with the County. They are requesting an extension period of 3 months for the payment. There are some issues with the building including a broken door and troubled equipment. It is uncertain how the county will be dealing with the company in the upcoming months. No further discussions, meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. respectfully submitted Marcinda Wilbur.

**Attendance:** Scott Brown