

June 11, 2018 the regular town Board meeting was held in the town hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. with Coun. Greenough absent. Sup. Ferguson led the pledge to the flag. A motion to accept the previous month's minutes was made by Coun. Raymond and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor. A motion to pay the audited bills was made by Coun. Barber and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

**Old Business:** The Standard Work Day Resolution was returned unable to be processed due to the fact that it had not been passed during the previous month as a resolution. The Town Clerk had called the Retirement System and cleared up the confusion. A resolution was typed up by her and it is numbered #5-2018 titled **Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution** was put forth by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Barber and all were in favor. The resolution is to be displayed at the Town Hall for 30 days and a hard copy is then mailed to the retirement system. It was brought up that any money being transferred among accounts must be accompanied by a resolution. Coun. Wilbur brought up several unaddressed Old Business during this meeting. When the Supervisor was questioned about the status of Phase 3 contract he did not have any answer. When questioned about the AUD audits he had nothing new to report. When questioned about the mowing of the private cemetery and the town attorney's response the supervisor responded that it is a gray area but to go ahead and do it. Coun. Wilbur requested that the attorney send a letter to the board stating this response and that it be reflected in the minutes. Coun. Wilbur also wanted to have it reflected in the minutes that there hasn't been any financials provided to the board members or town clerk for the 6<sup>th</sup> month in a row showing the status of the financial position of each account and where we stand in the budget. When questioned about getting the necessary quotes to do the paint job on the town hall Sup. Ferguson responded that he has not received any other quotes. The Highway Superintendent brought up a concern that money was removed from his Highway Account in the amount of \$40,000 to cover the shortage that has not been found due to the lack of a paper trail from 2011.

**New Business:** The clerk addressed the animal control officer who was in attendance for this meeting about the housing of the dogs. Granville will no longer be used to do this and that the dogs that are at large will now be housed at her house. The field inspector from Department of Ag & Markets gave her a satisfactory report. There was a discussion about what to do with injured dogs that may have been struck on the highway and this will be done by the hospital if it is determined that surgery could help the dog. It was agreeable by the board that a maximum amount of \$250 will be spent by the town for those services and all were in favor. The resolution for the TDI project has been given to the town attorney for his review and an email was sent by Josh Bagnato in regards to this. He will not be able to attend the next meeting himself but could possibly have another representative attend. Jim Brown has almost completed the overhang for the Veteran's Sign on the town hall. The supervisor told the board that the paint will be purchased for the painting of the town hall by the town and he also said that he will be responsible to pay the person who paints it out of his own pocket. He hopes that it will be done by the next month's meeting. Sup. Ferguson has moved the Supervisor's office into the kitchen and has removed all the equipment including the phone and has locked the door. The phone isn't hooked up and we are waiting on Verizon to come and hook up a new phone line to the town hall. The doorway needed repaired per orders given by the Board of Elections because there was a gap between the threshold and the pavement outside. The town road crew has made the repair. A resolution must be completed by the town for the county roadside mowing project Mr. Hobus doesn't have an office space of his own and has been using the town hall but no longer has access to the copier/fax machine, or telephone. All the materials have been purchased to build in the town hall a small corner space for him to use. The supervisor told him he should use the office located in the town barn but there is no room to host an office and there is no internet or copier/fax machine. The reason that the office wasn't built when the materials were purchased is because the Superintendent has been too busy until now to get to it and that there was an opportunity to receive a grant from the justice system but was not sought after. There was a question about Putnam Station getting Spectrum placed in their town and if it is possible for us to get it and the supervisor replied that it couldn't hurt to look further into the prospect of it happening here.

**Highway Superintendent's Report:** Since the last meeting the crew has spent most of the time cutting shoulders and ditching Clemons Center Road. They also reshaped the intersection at Lake and Clemons Center Road. Some vehicle maintenance included TD-12 picked up from Delurey's for a check engine light on, TD-14 was picked up from Douglas Garage after having all 8 injectors replaced and a fuel line replaced. Three hydraulic lines were replaced on the 660 grade-all from being badly worn. We picked up the 2009 Ford from Whitehall and all the paperwork has been completed. A large pine tree was attempted to be removed down on Sunset Bay but the operator wasn't comfortable with us on the tag line so it will have to be rescheduled. We will begin the roadside mowing with cutting being done at the landfill first. Also, the JD400 tractor isn't working and Walt Douglas will be coming to look at it. Mr. Hobus gave three quotes for the generator for the town shed.

To be included in New Business the clerk asked the supervisor about the Sewer District 1 and 2 bills that go out each summer and also that the Operation and Maintenance fees must be done as a town resolution establishing the amount to be paid by each district. Sup. Ferguson replied that he will be meeting with the sewer districts in the upcoming weeks. She also requested that the statements from Community Bank be supplied to her so that she can reconcile her check books each month. The statements are currently being supplied to the supervisor electronically. Also, the yearly audits of her books that needs to be done by January 20<sup>th</sup> have not been completed yet. A resolution needs to be typed up for the mowing contract. Finally, if the supervisor could please supply the clerk with the Financials to put in a file for the town records.

**Public Comment:** An attendee of tonight's meeting expressed that the TDI project will be disruptive by planning to go down the Lake Champlain lake bed and offered an alternative route using the Hudson River. He also expressed his deep concern for the tax dollars being paid to Whitehall Central School and wondered if there was anything that can be done to remove the Town of Dresden from there and maybe align ourselves with the Town of Putnam. These are just the thoughts of one resident.

There were no further discussions and a motion was made to adjourn and it was unanimously seconded and all were in favor. Respectfully submitted, Marcinda Wilbur, Town Clerk.

**Attendance:** Melissa Brown, Stiling Knight