

November 11, 2019 the regular Town Board Meeting as well as the Public Hearing for the 2020 Budget was held in the town hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. with all members of the board in attendance except for Coun. Raymond. Sup. Ferguson led the pledge to the flag. Sup. Ferguson took the opening moments to recognize any Veteran's that have sacrificed for our freedom. The Public Hearing began at 7:05 p.m. There was a question about whether or not the budget can be posted on the town website. Once adopted, it can be posted but not before in the preliminary state. The amount to be raised by taxes for the 2020 year will be in the amount of .6755% and we will be using \$25,000 from appropriated fund balance. There were no questions from those in attendance and the Public Hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m. A roll call vote is as follows: Coun. Wilbur-AYE; Coun. Barber-AYE; Coun. Greenough-AYE and all were in favor. 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. Barber and was seconded by Coun. Wilbur and all were in favor.

Old Business: The town will be hosting a party for the 12819 post mark on December 8, 2019 and no time has been set yet but will be soon. The letters written to Senator Little and Representative Stec have had no response yet but there has been some phone messages left. It will appear as though the internet will be supplied by SLIC instead of Spectrum. We have not heard from Spectrum. A password will be sought to look up our town records for Phoenix Laboratories so we can close out the yearly inspections to save some money. We may look into having Senator Little to help us with this aspect and dealing with the DEC.

New Business: Coun. Wilbur brought up during the meeting about the procedure to set up a reserve fund. Chris Debolt is the project coordinator at the County and Sup. Ferguson will try to get in touch with him to discuss how to set one up. The white building down at the Highway Department has been removed from coverage due to it being so old and in disrepair. Our vehicle insurance has been increased due to the accidents that occurred over the summer. The 2013 AUD has been submitted and is currently processing and has been for over a week so this could be good news as it was not immediately rejected. The town will be acquiring the assistance of Richard Dinolfo at the end of December to help with the AUDs and bring them current. During tonight's meeting Walter Tupper was appointed to the Board of Assessment Review by motion made by Coun. Greenough and was seconded by Coun. Barber and all were in favor. His appointment will expire on September 30, 2024.

County Business: The reassessment project is moving slowly and it will be coming but probably not until next year. Coun. Wilbur asked a question about the cost per parcel using the lowest bid on the handout given during last month's meeting. The lowest bid used would require the town to pay \$9.00 per parcel and there are 960 parcels in the town. The County budget did not pass at the last meeting so there will be alterations and be put back up to vote on Friday.

The Highway Superintendent was not in attendance for tonight's meeting so there was no report. The Supervisor received in the mail two truck bids to replace the dump truck. He opened them and read them to the board. Auto Saver has one for a 2018 or newer with a regular cab and it included sticker options for \$31,787 and is in stock and ready for delivery. The second one was from Hometown Chevrolet for a 2020 Chevy Silverado 3500HD with no sticker options or other signifying specs for \$29,989 and will be available in 7 to 9 weeks for delivery. The board requests that there be more specs on the Chevrolet so that a comparison can be determined so they tabled the discussion until the specs are available and the highway superintendent is at a meeting.

At this time the board entered into executive session to a discuss personnel issue at 7:32 p.m. A motion to exit executive session was made at 7:40 by Coun. Wilbur and was seconded by Coun. Barber as well as a motion to adjourn and all were in favor. No further discussions. Respectfully submitted Marcinda Wilbur
Dresden Town Clerk

Attendance: Walter Tupper Jessica Tupper