

September 9, 2019 the regular town board meeting was held in the Town Hall beginning at 7 p.m. and all members were in attendance. Sup. Ferguson 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. Barber 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 Veteran's Wall project has been completed and now has lights. A company by the name of SLIC has had field workers in the area testing sites for their internet, telephone, and cable connections using fiber optics and they may be another option for residents to use as well as Spectrum. SLIC is available in Putnam as well as Spectrum so it may work in Dresden. Linda Barber addressed the board about the result of the presentation at the Town of Hague monthly board meeting for the buoys being placed in the bays located in Lake George. There is a potential of two buoys being placed in Hulett's Landing as well as one in the town of Putnam. There will be a meeting held this week in Hague and William Clough will be presenting a proposal and it seems to look positive.

There has been no contact with Phoenix Labs for the town dump closure and Sup. Ferguson will be getting in contact with them.

New Business: Susan Ives, the local postmaster, addressed the board in regards to the post mark stamp for the town. She has designed a stamper and once it is approved by the postal service it will be made. We cannot accept money from residents who would like to have a letter stamped but a charity may charge to do it. With the money raised a contingent fund will be created for use to put on future names on the Veteran's Wall.

Resolution #18-2019 titled **Budget Amendment** to reallocate monies for appropriation was put forth by Coun. Greenough and was seconded by Coun. Raymond and all were in favor.

Financials were given to the board and are on file in the clerk's office.

An AUD update was given, and Sup. Ferguson will be having a phone conference with the State Comptroller's Office on Tuesday, September 10, 2019.

The 2020 tentative budget discussions will be taking place sometime next week as well as setting up a date and time for the public hearing. A question from Coun. Wilbur was brought up about burying cremated ashes on top of established grave sites. Jay Jillson was wondering if there is a charge for this kind of service. At one time there a cemetery committee was in effect to keep track of grave sites but has since been nonexistent and should we consider reinstating one for the future.

From now on the monthly bills amounts will be listed on the agenda for each month's meeting so we know what the town has been spending. A plaque was given to the Hulett's Landing lifeguards that assisted the distressed swimmer this past June.

Highway Superintendent's Report: The weed eradication project is completed and though everything had gone smoothly there were two accidents that occurred by the same driver. There were no injuries. The second mowing has been done as well as ditching the shoulders. The Lake George Association has a \$109,000 grant to do a culvert replacement project on Goldey Road. The town will be building the bypass road and hauling away the spoils and black top. The work will be done by Ellsworth and Sons Excavating. The county will be providing the culvert. Mr. Hobus discussed with the board about purchasing a new dump truck. The damage done to the truck used for the weed job is in minimal working order due to the accidents that occurred. The box is in good shape and can be removed and placed on a new truck body. The equipment fund currently is around \$63,000 and he thinks that it will take 2 years to pay off the truck using the money we receive from the weed program. He found a quote for a 2020 for \$39,445 for a regular cab and it could potentially have all the accessories and the box put on for around \$5,000. The new tandem truck will be in soon. There was some discussion about the future weed programs and disposal of the weeds and use of the new truck. The board approves of Mr. Hobus getting quotes for a new truck.

Public Comment: George Gang addressed Sup. Ferguson in regards to the financials that they are beginning to looking better however he was giving the board a heads up for accurate reporting that it's missing some important data as well as missing numbers for some line items.

A portion of road was deeded to the town on February 19, 2010 described by parcel ID# 23.20-5-7 and should now be maintained by the town. However, the board is unaware of the transfer and the Town Clerk will look for a resolution around that date.

There is a piece of landlocked land through the land owned by Tony Moore that is owned by the Town of Dresden and he would like to be able to acquire this parcel and was wondering how he can do that.

Anda Stipins-Gang paid Mr. Hobus a compliment for his diligence in seeking the purchase of new equipment and also asked about her FOIL request made to the Records Management Officer about the 2013 AUD's and why it has not been responded to as to date. She commented on how the Supervisor's Secretary has been paid for her services and the AUD's are still not complete.

The board recessed to enter into Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. for contract discussions. A motion to exit Executive Session was made at 8:22 p.m. and a motion was made to adjourn the meeting unanimously and all were in favor. There were no further discussions. Respectfully submitted, Marcinda Wilbur, Town Clerk.

Attendance: Warren Gordon, Linda Barber, Duane Bennett, Christine Diekel, Anda Stipin-Gang, George Gang, Mark Ives, Susan Ives, Clayton Ryder, Scott Brown, Marc Brown