

The Town Board Meeting for the Town of Addison was held on Monday, March 18, 2024, 7:00pm at the Town Hall. The following people were present:

Supervisor	Jack Thompson
Council Member	Alice Weale
Council Member	John Lyons
Council Member	David Miller
Council Member	Joseph Trappler
Attorney	Craig Patrick - absent
Town Clerk	Robin Carr
Assessor	Teresa Lyons
Hwy Superintendent	Kenny Peoples, Jr
Bookkeeper	Betty Machuga

Hope Trappler	Gary Aumick	Doug Cornell	Jeff Allington
Bruce Vitulli	Stacie Miller		

Supervisor Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm asking all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Bruce Vitulli asked if the Railroad, in their budget, approved replacing our railroad tracks crossings. Supervisor Thompson stated “no”. Bruce Vitulli stated he still wants them fixed.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Lyons, to approve the February 20, 2024 minutes as written.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller, and Trappler

Noes: None

ORGANIZATION APPOINTMENTS: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

a. Assessor – All tax exemptions have been processed, working on entering property sales in the system.

b. Hwy Superintendent – Stripped shoulders on Stapleton Road, finished up Beeman Hollow, installed sluice pipe for landowner who provided the pipe, started stripping shoulders on Irish Hill Road. Completed maintenance on Roller and Tractor Stone Rake – for the upcoming season. Grader is in the shop for maintenance. Met with Dave Buckley to discuss oil and stone for roads. Still waiting on the check for the scrap metal. Fuel Log submitted, 482 gallons of diesel fuel used.

c. Town Clerk, Town Justice, DCO and Bookkeepers reports were read as submitted. Town Clerk noted that there are currently 3 expired dog licenses. None of the delinquent dog licensees appeared in court. Justice sent letters and fined each \$50, per dog, for failure to license as required by NY State Law. Bookkeeper reported the following collections: Justice - \$775.00, Town Clerk – \$264.00, and Tax Collector - \$967.76.

OLD BUSINESS: Tax Collector’s Monthly Report – Total amount of warrant - \$1,643,713.78 of which \$387,035.18 remains uncollected. Town is paid in full, \$445,591.25. Fees collected and paid in full - \$967.76

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Cemetery Maintenance – Board soliciting bids for the maintenance of the cemeteries on Maple Street and County Route 119. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to place an Advertisement in the Addison Post to solicit bids for the 2 cemeteries and require an Insurance Policy, with the Town listed as an additional insured, to be provided within 10 days of acceptance of the bid.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller and Trappler

Noes: None

- b. Shared Service Agreement w/Steuben County. The Steuben County Public Works Committee approved the County wide Shared Service Agreement for another 5 years. Motion by Supervisor Thompson, seconded by Council Member Trappler, to enter into an agreement with Steuben County for Shared Services. Roll Call: Thompson – Yes, Weale – Yes, Lyons – Yes, Miller – Yes, and Trappler – Yes. Motion Adopted 5-0.

Highway Superintendent mentions that he was notified that the County may bill municipalities for fuel.

- c. Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Money – Superintendent Peoples presented the following proposal: Tobin Road from County Route 1 to County Route 2, true & level, Hot top and single surface treatment, CRS2 - \$41,470, Beeman Hollow true & level, hot top and single surface treatment, CRS2 - \$31,362, and John Rial Road from County Route 1 to Town Barn driveway – true & level, single surface treatment, CRS2- \$60,000 for a total of \$133,000. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Lyons, to enter into the Agreement to Spend Highway Funds, for a total of \$133,000. Roll Call: Thompson – Yes, Weale – Yes, Lyons – Yes, Miller – Yes, and Trappler – Yes. Motion Adopted 5-0.
- d. Solar Panels – Council Member Miller, also the Town Historian, reported that there were no historical sites within the area proposed for the Solar Project. Council Member Miller also restated his concern about toxic runoff from the Solar Panels and worried that the State was just pushing these projects through without the issue being addressed. Council Member Lyons will check to see if environmental studies were done.
- e. Audit – Town notified that the Teamsters Local Union, No. 118 will conduct an audit of the highway workers' pay records April 3, 2024 as authorized in the current contract. Supervisor Thompson asked if we were in receipt of a Doctor's Release Form allowing Kevin Clark to return to work. Highway Superintendent will look into it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

COMMUNICATIONS: et cetera, March 2024

OTHER BUSINESS:

Claim Numbers, General Fund Claim, Nos. 355-377, totaling \$6,832.06; Highway DA Fund Claim Nos. 50-52, totaling \$2,073.58, Trust & Agency Claim, Nos. 34-36, totaling \$741.50, for a Grand Total of \$9,647.14. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Miller, to pay the bills in their usual manner.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller and Trappler

Noes: None

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Motion by Council Member Miller, seconded by Council Member Trappler, to approve the Supervisor Report for February 2024 as presented.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller and Trappler

Noes: None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Council Member Trappler mentioned it is nice to see Doug Cornell, one of the highway workers, attending the board meeting. Teresa Lyons stated the cross in the right of way on Beeman Hollow needs to be moved/removed. Highway Superintendent reported that the water pump had seized up and needs to be replaced. Obtained an estimate from Grainger, for approximately \$750.00. Motion by Supervisor Thompson, seconded by Council Member Trappler, to expend up to \$800.00 for the purchase of a Pump, from Grainger.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller and Trappler

Noes: None

Bookkeeper Machuga stated that some vouchers were added last month so the minutes needed to be amended to read: Claims, General Fund Claim Nos. 321-354, totaling \$25,543.63; General – Outside Village, Claim No. 323, totaling \$1,000; Highway DA Fund Claim Nos. 43-49, totaling \$25,116.84; Trust & Agency Claim Nos. 32-33, totaling 461.61, for a Grand Total of \$52,122.08. Motion by Supervisor Thompson, seconded by Council Member Trappler, to approve the February 20, 2024 minutes as amended.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller and Trappler

Noes: None

Stacie Miller stated that she receives numerous calls about installing solar panels on her property and that no one knows how to extinguish a fire on solar panels. Supervisor Thompson announced that the next board meeting was at the Town Barn. Council Member Trappler asked to add an item to the agenda next month to discuss UTV/ATV riders on Town Barn property.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:04pm, the next scheduled meeting will be Monday, April 15, 2024, 7:00pm at the Town **Barn**.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Miller and Trappler

Noes: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Carr
Town Clerk

NEXT MEETINGS

MONTHLY MEETING: Monday, April 15, 2024, 7pm at the Town Barn