

February 18, 2015
JUNIUS TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL

ATTENDANCE: RONALD SERVEN, SUPERVISOR
PHIL GRISWOLD, ASSESSOR FOR THE TOWN
COUNCILMEMBERS: TODD MERKLEY, C.ERNEST BROWNELL AND RICHARD WADHAMS.
ABSENT: MICHAEL MIRRAS, ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN.

OPEN: SUPERVISOR SERVEN LED THE MEETING WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AT 7:10 P.M.
TOWN CLERK: THE TOWN CLERK READ HER REPORT SHOWING A TOTAL DISBURSEMENT OF \$129.00 AND THE TOWN SHARE BEING \$110.00. COUNCILMAN MERKLEY MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND WITH COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MAKING THE SECOND THE MOITON CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR. ALSO AT THIS TIME COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT ALL SETS OF MINUTES WITH ONE MINOR CHANGE AND COUNCILMAN MERKELY MADE THE SECOND, WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

WATER CLERK: FOR THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2014, DISTRIC 1 HAD A TOTAL OUTSTANDING OF \$2,615.94 AND IN DISTRICT2 IT WAS \$1,125.00 OUTSTANDING. COUNCILMAN BROWNELL MADE THE SECOND AND COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MADE THE SECOND WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

WATER COMMITTEE: IT WAS REPORTED THAT LAST MONTH THE BOARD DID APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH WATERLOO ON 1/28/2015, BUT BECAUSE THEIR ATTORNEY WAS ON VACATION, WATERLOO HAS NOT APPROVED IT YET. COUNCILMAN WADHAMS AND MERKLEY MET WITH MRB TO DISCUSS THE WATER DISTRICT3. IF IT WENT THRU THEY ARE LOOKING AT A DEBT SERVICE OF \$770.00 PER E.D.U. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN. COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND COUNCILMAN BROWNELL MADE THE SECOND WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

SEWER COMMITTEE: THE SEWER DEPARTMENT IS RUNNING FINE. ALL LIMITS WERE MET IN JANUARY. THE COUNTY MET WITH THE BOARD AND I.D.A. WHO WILL PUT A BID OUT FOR AN ENGINEER ON THE SEWER LINE TO RUN DOWN ROUTE 318 TO GRANGE HALL ROAD. THERE IS A POSSIBLITY TO MAYBE EXPAND ON OUR DISTRICT. COUNCILMAN BROWNELL MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT AND COUNCILMAN MERKLEY MADE THE SECOND. ALL MEMBERS VOTED AYE.

HIGHWAY: SUPERINTENDANT FISK SPOKE ABOUT THE MAINTANCE PERMIT FROM D.O.T. AND THE FORMAL RESOLUTION THEY WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO MAKE. HE WILL GET A COPY TO THE TOWN ATTORNEY. HE ALSO DISCUSSED MINUTES FROM 1976 AND IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH OF 1976 POINTED TO THE SOUTH END OF CAROLYN ROAD STAYING OPENED. THERE WAS A DISCUSSION AT THIS TIME REGARDING TRUCK QUOTES FROM VAN BORTEL FORD FOR

BOTH A F250 AND F350. MOTION CAME FROM COUNCILMAN MERKLEY TO PURCHASE THE 2015 F350 STANDARD CAB 8 FOOT BOX , 4 WHEEL DRIVE NOT TO EXCEED SPENDING \$26,000.00. COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MADE THE SECOND, WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

ASSESSOR: THE TOWN ASSESSOR PASSED OUT HIS WRITTEN REPORT SHOWING BUSINESS AS USUAL. ALL EXEMPTIONS RENEWALS ARE DUE BY MARCH 1, 2015. HE ALSO ATTENDED A COUNTY ASSESSOR MEETING TO DISCUSS NEXT YEARS EQUALIZATION RATES. COUNCILMAN MERKLEY MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND WITH COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MAKING THE SECOND, THE MOTION PASSED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

OLD BUSINESS: SUPERVISOR SERVEN STARTED THE CONVERSATION ABOUT THE NEED TO FILL THE EMPTY COUNCIL SEAT. THE TOWN CLERK STATED THAT ONLY ONE APPLICANT, ELAINE MEYERS HAD SENT IN A LETTER ASKING TO BE CONSIDER AS THE REPLACEMENT. AT THIS TIME, COUNCILMAN MERKLEY MOTION TO APPOINT ELAINE MEYERS AND COUNCILMAN WADHAMS SECOND THE MOTION. COUNCILMAN BROWNELL ABSTAINED FROM THE VOTE AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE MAJORITY VOTE.

NEW BUSINESS: THERE WAS A BRIEF DISCUSSION ABOUT PEOPLES CHOICE ENERGY. COUNCILMAN BROWNELL MADE THE MOTION TO STAY WITH NYSEG AND COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MADE THE SECOND. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS: THE TOWN CLERK WILL ADD COUNCILPERSON ELAINE MEYERS TO THE WEB PAGE AND ALSO TAKE OFF BRETT COTTRELLS NAMED. THE YEARLY STATE COMPTROLLER AUDIT WAS COMPLETED ON FEBRUARY 9, 2015; A COPY WILL BE IN THE CLERKS OFFICE.

BILLS: GENERAL FUND V#23-56 FOR \$90,691.57 WAS MOTION TO PAY BY COUNCILMAN MERKLEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BROWNELL. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR.

HIGHWAY V#6-12 FOR \$28,748.70 WAS MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BROWNELL AND THE SECOND CAME FROM COUNCILMAN WADHAMS, WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

FIRE V#57 FOR \$91,800.00 WAS MOTION TO PAY BY COUNCILMAN MERKLEY AND THE SECOND CAME FROM COUNCILMAN WADHAMS. ALL MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOR.

WATER 1 V#10-18 FOR \$2,426.86 WAS MOTION BY COUNCILMAN MERKLEY AND THE SECOND CAME FROM COUNCILMAN WADHAMS, WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

WATER 2 V#4-5 \$341.84 WAS MOTION TO PAY BY COUNCILMAN MERKLEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WADHAMS, WHICH CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

SEWER V#12-23 FOR \$17,314.68 WAS MOTION BY COUNCILMAN MERKLEY AND THE SECOND CAME FROM COUNCILMAN WADHAMS. THE MOTION PASSED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

ADJOURN: MOTION TO ADJOURN CAME FROM COUNCILMAN MERKLEY AT 8:20 AND WITH COUNCILMAN WADHAMS MAKING THE SECOND, THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR.

RECORDING SECRETARY
MARY T. PROSSER
JUNIUS TOWN CLERK