

TOWN OF PERTH

Regular Town Board Meeting

September 6, 2018

6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Fagan, Councilman Korona, Councilman Lewandowski, Councilman Betz and Councilman Kowalczyk

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk, Judith English; Budget Officer, Patricia Herba; Highway Superintendent, David Dopp; Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Esq.; Historian, Sylvia Zierak; Dog Control Officer, Joseph Passino; Pastor from the Perth Bible Church, Mark Appell; Reporter from the Leader Herald, Briana O’Hara; Assessor, David Walendziak; and Rebecca Dopp.

Supervisor Fagan opened the Meeting at 6:35 p.m. A salute to the flag was held and a moment of silent prayer observed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the August 2, 2018 Regular Town Board Meeting were offered for approval by Councilman Lewandowski, and seconded by Councilman Betz. All were in favor; motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The communications as listed on the Agenda are filed in the Town Clerk’s Office and are available to anyone who wishes to see them. There were no late communications.

UPDATE FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Councilman Korona reported for **Buildings** that the Bilco doors have been filled in, and it appears to be working to fix the flooding problem in the cellar which occurs when we have heavy rains. **Highway Superintendent, David Dopp**, stated that he checked the drains around the area and they are clear.

Town Historian, Sylvia Zierak reported that she has her new dehumidifier in her office and it is working well.

Councilman Kowalczyk reported that the Town needs to put a lock on the door leading to the cellar from the Community Senior Center. People who rent the Senior Center are going down to the cellar, and also to the hallway where the offices of the Town Departments are located. Locks are needed to keep the renters of the Hall out of the other parts of the building.

Councilman Betz read the **Assessor's Report**, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes. The Assessor reported that data collection will be continuing. Supervisor Fagan asked how close the Assessor is to getting 100% valuation on the Town's properties, and he stated that he is approximately 50% done and is hoping to be finished by next year.

Highway Superintendent, David Dopp, stated that they are working on getting the road shoulders done. He would like to send a thank you to County Superintendent, Mark Yost, for his assistance in finishing the shoulders on the newly repaved roads in the Town of Perth. The Town of Perth has been helping the Town of Broadalbin do their shoulders, and after that will be back to mowing in Perth.

Councilman Kowalczyk wished to thank the **Highway Department** for cleaning up the brush around the grange building and the well in front of the Town Hall. He had gotten some complaints from residents about the condition of the Town Hall grounds. He stated that the Town Hall could use some more attention including painting the railings at the front entrance, painting the Senior Community Center and a new door for the red barn. He also stated that the cellar needs cleaning. **Supervisor Fagan** told him to talk to M & M Odd Jobs or Joseph Passino about doing some of this work.

Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Jr., reported that he got a further extension from National Grid as far as the inventory of street lighting is concerned. He is waiting for a representative from them to schedule a meeting with Town of Perth **Highway Superintendent, David Dopp**, to go over the inventory list.

Attorney Greco also stated that he will need to go over the drug and alcohol policy of the Town of Perth with someone from the Town Board. The last time the drug policy was updated was 1996, **and there have been several changes in the laws since then.**

Supervisor Fagan said that he would meet with Attorney Greco to go over the policy and suggest changes that the Town Board could consider implementing.

Supervisor Fagan noted that he has given the Town Board Members a copy of the financial information from the Perth Volunteer Fire Company Inc. that he recently received. The Town Board will go over the figures and discuss them at the Town of Perth Budget Meeting.

Supervisor Fagan reported that New York State is making changes in the Annual Update Document which will make it more difficult for Town Officials to fill out.

There will be a public hearing on the capital plan for the County in November. Budget requests from the various departments are due at the end of September.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Pastor Mark Appell from the **Perth Bible Church** wished to present to the Town a letter and proclamation from President Trump concerning Memorial Day. The Pastor had invited the President to the Church's Memorial Day Service. The President was unable to attend but sent a nice letter, and a proclamation entitled Prayer for Peace, Memorial Day 2018.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION # 79- APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE BAR

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth appoints Paul Priamo to the Board of Assessment Review term to be from 10/01/2018 to 09/30/2024.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski
Seconded by: Councilman Betz

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 80- AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON ABSTRACT #9-2018

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of bills on abstract #9-2018 as follows:

Prepaid	96-109	\$14,771.54
Highway	74-80	\$2,361.07
General	199-224	\$21,936.96

Offered by: Councilman Korona

Seconded by: Councilman Lewandowski

Each Councilman indicated their approval by signing each voucher.

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

With all of the business concluded for the evening a motion was made at 7:10 p.m. by Councilman Lewandowski and seconded by Councilman Betz to close the Meeting; all were in favor: Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Perth will be held on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall Complex, 1849 County Highway 107, Perth, N.Y.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith English
Perth Town Clerk