

ALMOND TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING

July 16, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Almond Town Board was held at the Almond Municipal Building on the 16th day of July 2019. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Dawn Wildrick-Cole at 6:00 pm. Present: Supervisor Dawn Wildrick-Cole, Deputy Supervisor Dan Hegarty, Board Members, Jo-Anne Freeland, Larry Perry, Highway Superintendent Jamie Mansfield, Deputy Town Clerk Arlene McMahan, Don Weiman, and Village Board Member Paul Gabriel and William Lockwood, Keith Stanley.

ABSENT: Bryan Snyder, Town Clerk Shelly Stevens

Minutes: The June 2019 Minutes and June 2019 Public Hearing minutes were tabled.

Supervisor: A motion was made by Dawn and seconded by Dan to approve the June 2019 Supervisors Report and monthly budget. The motion passed with all in favor.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: A motion was made by Dawn and seconded by Larry to approve June 2019 Town Clerk Report. The motion passed with all in favor.

Highway Superintendent:

- Graded Downing Rd, Cook Rd, Dungan, Donnelly, John Dixon, Ryan, Bully Hill, Sterns, Tuttle, DeLoss, Part of Turnpike, Putting down the brine and rolling
- Changed out Cross over pipe on Turnpike between Dave Dodge and Dean Humbert
- Been screening Creek gravel into Item 4
- Mowing Road sides and doing repairs on tractor and mower
- On Thursday June 20 I attended the snow and ice contract talks with the county there was 6 town superintendents there and 1 town supervisor and 1 legislator. The county said there will be changes for everyone and are working to keep everyone happy. Current Rate is 3450 Per lane Mile and normally goes up 50 a year. It was discussed to have a higher increase of a 100 and the county threw back a 75 dollar increase. Needs to be approved with legislators and a new contract being worked up. The county Superintendents wants to work with the towns and make things better.
- Repair items: Had a trailer air valve go bad on 2011 Mack, Replaced 2 Air chambers on rear drive axle on Mack. 05 Sterling blew hose to oil cooler (lots of tear down to get to hose), Tractor had to replace 3 point hitch arm and top link. We Will not use new mower anymore on tractor, running old mower to get by. Had to weld roller back in old mower (alamo). Blew hydraulic line on grader replaced hose, Air line on grader leaking on grader had to replace line.
- 05 Sterling lost power we can not figure out. Taking to R.S> Maher in Hume Tomorrow morning to put on computer, May be costly or may be something simple
- Pickup passed inspection but upper and lower ball joints are getting loose, have the parts just have to do the work.
- EWR money is back from the State approx. \$26,482.00 would like to oil stone Ryan and estimate came in at 27776.80

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- Had \$22,000 left of chips money and would like to redo the Steep part of Hopkins road with oil and stone Estimate came in at \$7000.

Dog Control Officer: Requested to purchase a dog waste station for the dog park to keep it clean, estimated to cost about \$270. DCO has assumed responsibility to dump the station. A motion was made by Dan and seconded by Dawn to purchase a waste station, up to \$300, using the dog control expenses A3510.4. The motion passed with all in favor.

AACSA:

- **Electric:** Electric for the park has additional costs, needed an upgrade panel box. Invoice to be given to Town Clerk for August abstract. The cost was estimated at \$440, Towns share expected of half to be \$221.
- **Powell bench:** Powell's were informed of discussion in June meeting and have agreed to the terms requested of them.

Codes Officer:

- **Flaitz case:** No update available

Review of Abstracts:

A motion was made by Dawn and seconded by Dan to approve Abstract #7 for July 2019 for a total of \$11,635.10

- General Fund A claims in the amount of \$2,671.40
- Highway Fund DA claims in the amount of \$6,229.94
- Highway Fund DB claims in the amount of \$2,733.76

The motion passed with all in favor.

Proposed resolutions:

- No resolutions proposed for this month. Per Dawn, please put Credit Card Policy on next month's meeting agenda (August).

Old Business:

- **Salt Shed:** Waiting for supplies to ship and arrive, initial ship date set for August 5th according to the Site Forman.
- **JM Contract:** According to Village Board member Bill Lockwood, the contract was opposed by the Village of Almond due to the \$7,500 fee and request that it be changed to \$5,000 prior to voting to accept the contract. The Village wanted it to be easier to be able to spend the Joint Municipal Fund (Reserve) when it is needs to be used. Paul Gabriel questioned key code access such as to the Fire Department.
- **Local Laws:** **no new information available**
 - ATV law, Site Plan Review: proposed public hearing of September 17th.

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- Proposed local laws: Best Value: proposed public hearing November 19th.
- Proposed local laws: Animal Ordinance, Dual Position December 17th.
- ATV Law – Jamie and Dan to meet regarding the proposed ATV/UTV law. Jamie noted that he didn't think we should exclude any Town roads, Larry agreed. The question was asked about Town roads that connect to state roads, state land roads. Dawn stated that she would be ok with no road restrictions, but would like to see a speed limit restriction placed in the law.
- Sexual Harassment / Workplace Violence Policies / Training: No action taken until receive notification from the State on how to proceed.
- NYS Archives Grant: **no new information available**

New Business:

- Deputy Clerk Computer: Discussion about erasing the computer that is to be used by the Deputy Clerk now that the Clerk has a new laptop. Dawn made a motion to purchase necessary software, monitor, keyboards, or new computer for Supervisor/Deputy Clerk computer up to \$1,000 including serving and software to be paid for with A1220.4, second by Larry. The motion passed with all in favor.
- Clerk Laptop Access: Motion made by Dawn and seconded by Larry to give Arlene as Deputy Clerk access to Clerk's laptop computer. The motion passed with all in favor.
- Justice: Needs to ensure that hardware internet access is ran into the big hall in case of jury trials. Gave update and report on the status of the Town Justice.
- IT/Cameras: Judge noted that Justice cameras are working intermittently, Dan noted that Lion's Parks cameras are not working at all. Dan requested that the local government member(s) have access to the video. Dan to get estimate for service from Eds Computers/ Ed Flaitz in writing, along with any other IT providers that he wishes to present to the Board as options.

A motion to move the meeting to Executive Session – employee history related - was made by Dan and seconded by Larry at 7:56 pm. The motion passed with all in favor.

The meeting was called back to order and a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Larry and seconded by Dawn at 8:10pm. The motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Stevens
Town Clerk