

State of New York  
County of Lewis  
Town of Watson

Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Watson was called to order at 7:00pm on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 by Supervisor Virgil Taylor.

Town Officials Present:

Supervisor: Virgil Taylor  
Councilmen: Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman  
Town Clerk: Christina Merry  
Hwy Superintendent: Robert Dosztan  
Code Enforcement Officer: Paul Gyore

Citizens Present: Andrea Moroughan, Jeff Lyng, Gerald Crowell, Bill & Judi Houppert, Vicki Roy, Ann Pominville.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Virgil Taylor.

Minutes to the August Meeting were approved as read.

**New Business:**

Paul Pierce from National Grid got in touch with Virgil and discussed a way National Grid is helping to cut down on electricity costs. National Grid will pay to replace the lights in the Town Garage and the Town will just have to pay about \$905.55. They have an estimated savings of about \$800.00 a year. This is only the inside lights, the replacement lights are brighter. The bulbs will last 5 years, and during that 5 years if there is a problem with the light within that 5 years, National Grid will replace it free of charge. Some discussion followed.

Because of the Labor Day Holiday, the notice of the Adoption by the Town Board of the Town of Watson of a Resolution subject to Permissive Referendum Establishing Extension #1 of the Town of Watson Water District #4 and the Acquisition, Construction and Installation of Water System Improvements did not get posted in the Journal within the time frame needed.

By Motion by Dennis Foster, seconded by Jeff Hoch the above Resolution was adopted on Wednesday, September 13, 2017.

This Resolution was adopted by the following Roll Call:

Dennis Foster	Yes
Ronald Pominville	Yes
Jeff Hoch	Yes
Jim Freeman	Yes
Virgil Taylor	Yes

A motion was made by Ronald Pominville, seconded by Dennis Foster to pass the Resolution to Submit Funding Application to the USDA Rural Development.

Ayes: Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Virgil Taylor.

Nays: None

Questions were put to the Board regarding the Water, and why can't the whole Town pay towards the Extension, when they would have been paying for just the 5 houses to get water. Virgil stated that the USDA won't do it that way.

A motion was made by Jeff, seconded by Ron to reappoint Ross Phelps and Michelle Davoy to the

ZBA, as their terms were expiring.

Ayes: Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Virgil Taylor

Nays: None

A motion was made by Jeff, seconded to Dennis to reappoint Thomas Turck to the BAR, as his term was expiring.

Ayes: Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Virgil Taylor

Nays: None

Virgil went over the Preliminary Budget for 2018.

A motion was made by Jeff, seconded by Dennis to accept the Preliminary Budget.

Ayes: Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Virgil Taylor.

Nays: None

Monthly bills were passed for audit and payment approval.

Water Fund: Voucher #9 - \$20.06

General Fund: Vouchers # 183 – 203 - \$3,879.30

Highway Fund: Vouchers # 131 – 146 - \$166,885.07

Motion made by Jim, seconded by Dennis to pay the bills.

Ayes: Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Virgil Taylor.

Nays: None

Dennis brought up the subject of the Planning Board asking about Ipads for each member, so they can interact when they are not meeting. Dennis is working with our IT person, regarding pricing, and being able to do what they want. Dennis is also looking into Cloud Storage, and a battery backup for Virgil's Computer.

Have received one application for Code Enforcement Officer to date. Suggested running another ad, and Vicki Roy will also put this in her column.

Monthly reports of the Code Enforcement Officer, Town Justice, Town Clerk and Supervisor were passed for audit and approval.

Motion by Dennis, seconded by Jeff to accept these reports.

Ayes: Virgil Taylor, Dennis Foster, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman.

Nays: None

A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Jeff to adjourn at 8:20om. All in favor.

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Christina M. Merry, Town Clerk