

State of New York
County of Lewis
Town of Watson

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Watson was called to order at 6:31pm on Wednesday, April 8th, 2020 by Supervisor Gerald Crowell.

Town Officials Present:

Supervisor: Gerald Crowell
Councilmen: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman-Absent
Town Clerk: Christina Merry
Hwy Superintendent: Robert Dosztan
Code Enforcement Officer: Tim Lee – Absent

There were no citizens present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Crowell.

Motion was made by Councilman Hoch, seconded by Councilman Hanno to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2020, and the Bid Opening Meeting on April 3, 2020 with a correction of missing date on the March 11 minutes.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Local Law #1 of 2020 – Amending the Zoning Law of the Town of Watson Regarding the Regulation of Campgrounds.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Pominville to pass this Local Law #1.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell.

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Discussion of Tractor & Mower – Supervisor Crowell spoke with Scott Lawrence, CPA and Jarod Radley, NYS DOT, Watertown Office regarding CHIPS. We have \$32,000 carried over from last year. Spoke with Scott also, and Scott feels there is money available, his concern is when the CHIPS money will be come. Superintendent Dosztan gave some input regarding the Kubota 6110, spoke also of a John Deere 6130. Can get the John Deere for same price. Scott suggested auto payment, after 3 months can turn invoices in to the State and get reimbursement. Six months with no payment – 54 months - \$2,995.00, 66 months at \$2,728.00. Superintendent Crowell will talk with CPA's to determine the best way of financing/payments.

Motion was made by Councilman Hoch, seconded by Councilman Pominville to purchase this tractor.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell.

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Parts 2 & 3 of the SEQR need to be passed. Part 2 – Identification of Potential Project Impacts, and Part 3 – Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts and Determination of Significance. There is No Impact/Small Impact to the Environment.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Hoch to accept and pass SEQR Parts 2 & 3.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell

Nays: None
Motion so carried.

Supervisor Crowell discussed the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of an additional \$3,000,000 Serial Bonds to finance the Cost of the Acquisition, construction and installation of water system improvements dated April 8, 2020.

Motion to accept this Bond Resolution was made by Councilman Pominville, seconded by Councilman Hanno.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell.

Nays: None
Motion so carried.

Chris discussed shredding of the old records. She has only gotten one quote so far, but is looking into a couple more. There are records in the records room that can be shredded now, as well as all the previous records.

Chris also discussed the water billing. It looks like some accounts were being billed penalty/interest more than just one time if they didn't pay within the thirty days. Also, asked the opinion of the Board regarding taking in partial payments. The Board was in agreement, that partial payments, especially with the current situation is better than no payment at all.

Monthly bill abstracts had been sent to Board for audit and payment approval

BAN – Vouchers 10 – 13 - \$150,744.64

Water Fund – Voucher # 4 - \$22.20

General Fund – Vouchers # 71 – 88 - \$18,746.48

Highway Fund – Vouchers # 42 – 53 - \$20,207.22

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Hoch to pay these bills.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell.

Nays: None
Motion so carried.

Supervisor Crowell discussed a bill from HydroSource that needs to be paid, and asked for Board approval to pay it before the next meeting. Board approved.

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

Motion was made by Councilman Hoch, seconded by Councilman Pominville to accept these reports.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Gerald Crowell.

Nays: None
Motion so carried.

Motion to adjourn at 8:28pm was made by Councilman Pominville, seconded by Councilman Hanno. All in favor.

Next meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Watson will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 6:30pm at the Town Offices.

Christina M. Merry, Town Clerk