

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 6:55pm on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 by Supervisor Dennis Foster.

Town Officials Present:

Supervisor: Dennis Foster  
Councilmen: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman  
Town Clerk: Christina Merry  
Hwy Superintendent: Robert Dosztan  
CEO: Tim Lee

Citizens present: Andrea Moroughan, Virgil Taylor, Judy Colton.

Pledge of Allegiance – led by Supervisor Foster.

Minutes to June Meeting – Approved with correction stating which Board was getting upset.

Judy Colton from the Volunteer Transportation Center in Watertown, was given the floor. Judy gave an overview of what they do and who is eligible. Also, thanked the Town of Watson for their donation to their program. Judy gave a figure of 325 trips in the Lewis County area, total of 16,373 miles for the 2017 year. Questions and discussion followed. The Board thanked Judy for the update.

Tim Lee, CEO had nothing other than his monthly report to report on. Councilman Pominville asked Tim a question regarding the Soft Maple area.

An email came from Mr. VanArnam from the Stony Lake area, stating they are/will be working on the road, removing large stones, and asked if a tandem load of gravel could be dropped off at the turnaround spot for them to use to refill these holes. Virgil Taylor spoke up and stated that it was owned by the State (as much of the surrounding land is State Land) and it would have to follow the State's guidelines. Councilman Freeman suggested writing them a letter explaining this, and suggest that they contact the State for assistance.

**Well update:** Received a new update on the test wells. Has been suggested we continue developing the Test Well C-Alt site.

A meeting has potentially been set up for Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at the Town Offices with Kevin Feuka, the County Highway, Steve Willard, and others to discuss layout of piping. Still talking about putting the construction out for bids this fall for construction to start in the Spring. Further discussion followed.

Andrea Moroughan – Legislator passed a picture of what the Hodge Road/Number Four Road Intersection will look like. Stated that it is still supposed to be done by fall.

### **Old Business:**

Councilman Freeman passed a list of building repairs that he and Councilman Hanno have found. Discussion followed as to what ones to start with, what is needed for materials, etc. Also, Councilman Freeman will contact Mr. Cole, who received the bid for the roofs over the single doors at the garage, to see how soon he will be starting, or if not, the bid may be given to the second bidder. Hwy Superintendent Dosztan asked Councilman Freeman about the rain gear for the men. Councilman Freeman then asked the type of rain gear, light or heavy they wanted, also with reflective strips. Highway Superintendent Dosztan stated they want lightweight, that can also be worn over their

heavier jackets in colder weather, and definitely with reflective strips.

Highway Superintendent Doszta was asked about the Erie Canal Road/Stony Lake Road intersection, and if he had talked with the County. He stated that he has talked with Don Morey of FOIT-ALBERT Agency, out of Albany who was recommended by Dave Becker, County Highway. He has come up and looked at it, and is writing up an estimate of the cost. Bob also asked if all the other things should be taken care of first and contacted, ie: telephone company, DEC., and anyone else who would be involved with the changes to that corner.

Councilman Hanno brought up the referendums for Highway Superintendent and the Town Clerk. He didn't remember stating a length of the appointments. Chris stated she had been told that the appointments can only be for 4 years at a time, as told to her by someone else.

Jeff Hoch asked about the Library Board's inquiring if we want a representative of the Town to attend their meetings.

Also, inquired about the BAR replacement. Supervisor Foster said he also heard that Mr. Turck may be getting done, (not certain yet), and when he spoke with Erin about this, she said just go back to having three members.

Monthly Bills were passed for audit and payment approval.

Water Fund: Voucher #7 - \$19.59

General Fund – Vouchers # 146-168 - \$2,850.14

Highway Fund – Vouchers # 85-95 - \$11,775.63

Motion was made by Jim, seconded by Mike to pay the bills.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman

Nays: None

Monthly reports of the Supervisor, Town Clerk, and CEO had been given to the Board. Justice was not available to submit a report this month.

A motion was made by Ron to accept these reports, seconded by Jeff.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman

Nays: None

Motion to adjourn at 8:53pm was made by Jim, seconded by Mike. All in favor.

The next meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Watson will be held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Town Offices.

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Christina M. Merry, Town Clerk