

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 6:27pm on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 by Supervisor Gerald Crowell.

Town Officials Present:

Supervisor: Gerald Crowell

Councilmen: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Lyng, Jeff Hoch

Town Clerk: Christina Merry

Hwy Superintendent: Stephen Skiff

Citizens Present: Ann Pominville, Vicki Roy, Bill & Judi Houppert, Shawn Freeman, William Hunt, Mary Misek, and

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Crowell.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Lyng to accept the minutes of the February 10th Board Meeting, and the minutes of the February 24th Special Meeting as read.

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

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

CPA: Scott Lawrence was given the floor to give an overview of the monthly financial s. Questions and answers followed.

Resolution # 3, 2021 – To add Construction Cost Budget – Security Camera System – This is for the Well House, and area around the Well Site.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Hoch to pass this Resolution.

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

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Resolution # 4, 2021 -To add construction cost budget – Electrical Service – this is for National Grid to extend electrical service to the pump house.

Motion was made by Councilman Pominville, seconded by Councilman Lyng to pass this Resolution.

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

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Resolution # 5, 2021 – To Adjust Legal Budget - this is due to the expenditures to date have exceeded the original and amended estimates for the project.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Lyng to pass this Resolution.

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

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Dog Control: Chris brought up the subject of money in the dog fund account and asked about giving some to the Humane Society. This has been tabled until further information can be obtained regarding the legal aspect.

Highway: Superintendent Skiff explained pickup delivery at the end of the month, Plow Truck could be delivered by 1st of the year, which is sooner than previously told. Explained roads he plans on paving, using SuitKote. Regarding the truck radios, he is looking into a booster for the truck(s). Will order one and try it first, before getting anymore. A repeater would have been upwards of \$12,000.

Planning Board: Changing the April meeting to March 31, 2021. They currently have no computer. Discussion followed regarding a new computer for them, Tim Munn, our IT person, suggested a new computer around \$499.00, medium cost.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Lyng to purchase a new computer for the Planning Board.

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

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Water: The engineer didn't like the "A" in Watson on the Water Tank, and requested the company to replace the panel. They have started some blasting, Should be on the Pine Grove Road in April. Dept. of Health should be testing near the end of April, first of May. Henderson should be done with the interior of well house within 2 weeks. North Country Contractors will have two crews on, National Grid completed the service, and initiated power. Preliminary water withdrawal permit – 128,000 gals. Per day. Kevin Feuka going over it to be sure all is correct. Supervisor will check with Kevin regarding pressure reducers. Will also write a letter to residents regarding pressure.

Supervisor Crowell stated that the Town of Watson will be receiving about \$200,000.00 from the American Rescue Plan and will be directly deposited.

Monthly Bills:

Bond Anticipation Note: Vouchers # 7 – 13 - \$198,273.93

Water District – Vouchers #5 – 6 - \$172.05

General Fund – Vouchers # 52 – 70 - \$17,766.47

Highway Fund – Vouchers # 23 – 32 - \$20,866.16

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

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

Nays: None

Motion so carried.

Monthly Reports for the Supervisor and Town Clerk were passed for audit and approval.

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

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Lyng, Jeff Hoch.

Nays; None

Motion so carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Hanno, seconded by Councilman Hoch to go into Executive Session at 7:48pm. Motion was made by Councilman Hoch, seconded by Councilman Hanno to end Executive Session at 8:20pm.

Citizens: William Hunt spoke about changes to the Comprehensive Plan. Also, asked if Public Hearings could be posted on the Website in the future.

A motion was made by Councilman Hoch, seconded by Councilman Pominville to adjourn at 8:25pm. All in favor.

The next regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Watson will be held on Wednesday, April 14th, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Christina M. Merry, Town Clerk