

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 7:09pm on Wednesday, September 12, 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: Absent
Code Enforcement Officer: Tim Lee
Citizens Present: Vicki Roy, Bill & Judy Houppert

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Foster.

Minutes to the August meeting were approved as read with one correction – That was to spell out what CEO, and DCO stand for so there are no miss interpretations of the initials.

Planning Board : We have basic regulations for Campgrounds, but are wondering about making additions to it, regarding quiet time for one. They do have to follow DEC and DOH regulations.

Highway: Hwy Superintendent Dosztan had submitted a quote for a new repeater for the radios, as they cannot reach certain areas, and messages must be transmitted truck to truck sometimes instead of base to truck.

Code Enforcement Officer: Nothing to report.

Dog Control Officer: Not present.

County Legislator: Not Present.

Town Attorney: Not present.

Committee Reports: None

Stony Lake/Erie Canal Road Intersection: Hwy Superintendent Bob and Dennis met with a field representative of FoitAlbert Associates to look over possible solutions to the issues perceived at this intersection. One solution could be to buy two parcels of land and a portion of the North Shore Road to realign the Stony Lake Road with the Erie Canal Road to make it a “T” intersection and move the intersection further away south from the Erie Canal Road hill. One of the land owners stopped by and expressed an interest in selling her lot to the Town. The engineering firm had given us a quote for designing the intersection, but asked to re-quote the estimate due to changes in the proposed layout of the road from what they originally planned. Dennis estimated that the entire re-alignment project could cost at least \$350,000 with engineering, land purchases, and construction. Hwy Superintendent Bob thought that with the new design, the Town Highway crew could handle the construction rather than putting the work out to bid.

Water: Received the contract from HydroSource to develop the 2 wells, which includes testing, well installation/development, all paperwork pertaining to the testing and submission of paperwork. Cost will be between \$388,500 and \$464,500.

Motion by Mike, seconded by Jim to accept this contract to develop the Wells.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None

Town Equipment:

Jim brought up the subject of the County having good luck leasing trucks vs. buying them. Suggested it might be something for us to look into. Discussed having a dealer or someone from the County come and talk about it.

New Fee Schedule: Dennis explained that the Water Fee Schedule had to be revised as there was a discrepancy between cubic feet and gallons and the amount billed quarterly. Everyone on the board

received a copy of the new fee schedule.

Motion was made by Ron, seconded by Jeff to adopt this new fee schedule.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None

Step Bids: Only one bid was received for building the new Office steps. Was decided to table this until Spring.

Deck Cleaning/Staining: Only one bid was received for this, and it was decided to table this also until Spring and maybe resubmit them both for bidding again.

Reappointments:

Ron Gingerich up for reappointment to BAR for a 5 year term.

Motion by Mike, seconded by Ron to reappoint Ron Gingerich.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None

Maryann Vargulick up for reappointment to the ZBA for a 1 year term.

Motion made by Mike, seconded by Jim to reappoint Maryann Vargulick.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None.

Judy Houppert is up for Reappointment to the Planning Board for a 4 year term.

Motion by Jim, seconded by Jeff to reappoint Judy Houppert.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None

Robert O'Brian is up for reappointment to the ZBA for a 1 year term.

Motion by Mike, seconded by Jim to reappoint Robert O'Brian.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None Michelle Davoy is up for reappointment to the ZBA for a term of 1 year, but she declined.

A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Mike to accept Michelle's declination.

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None

Monthly Bills:

Monthly bills were passed for Audit and payment approval.

Water Fund: Voucher #9 - \$20.33

General Fund – Vouchers # 192 – 216 - \$5,047.66

Highway Fund – Vouchers #104 – 115 -\$ 235,905.48

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

Ayes: Mike Hanno, Ronald Pominville, Jeff Hoch, Jim Freeman, Dennis Foster.

Nays: None

Monthly Reports:

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

Motion by Ron, seconded by Mike to accept these reports.

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

Nays: None

Motion to adjourn made by Jim, seconded by Mike at 8:40pm. All in favor.

Next meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Watson will be held on Wed., October 10th, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Town Offices

