

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF LEWIS
TOWN OF WATSON

JANUARY 03, 2023

The organizational meeting of the Town of Watson was called to order on January 03, 2023 at 9:00am by Supervisor Jeff Hoch.

Town Officials Present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Hoch

Councilpersons: Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy, Jeffrey Lyng and Shawn Freeman

Councilperson(s) Absent: None

Town Clerk: Sharon Sauer

Hwy Superintendent: Steven Skiff

Citizens Present: None

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Jeffrey Hoch.

Oaths of Office were administered to Jeff Hoch-Supervisor, Shawn Freeman-Councilperson, and Sharon Sauer-Town Clerk.

Building Committee – Mike Hanno and Vicki Roy

Equipment Committee – Jeff Lyng and Shawn Freeman

Meeting Night – 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 6:30 pm.

Town Bank – Community Bank, N.A.

Eligible Depository - NYCLASS

Town Newspaper - Watertown Daily Times

Appointments

Deputy Supervisor – Mike Hanno

Deputy Highway Superintendent – Neil Mahoney

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector – None

Water Clerk – Sharon Sauer

Deputy Water Clerk – None

Registrar – Sharon Sauer

Deputy Registrar- None

Justice Clerk – Erin Murphy

Town Attorney(s) – Candace Randall and Ray Meier

Town Assessor – Rebecca Trudell

Assessor Staff – Carroll Owens

Town CPA – North Country Certified Public Accountants

Records Manager – Sharon Sauer

Cemetery Sexton – Edward Chapman

Dog Control Officer – Edward Johnson

Custodian – Sheryl Virkler

Town Historian – Charles Bunke

Motion was made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Mike Hanno for Supervisor to have the authority to invest Town monies.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy, Jeff Lyng and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion so carried.

Highway

Steve Skiff reported he is awaiting approval on the contingency funds.

Discussion regarding the asbestos and mold in highway building. Steve has contacted Steel Sales for floor drain pricing. The Town Building Committee agreed a study should be completed to acquire grant funding. Vicki Roy will contact Casandra Buell, Lewis County Director of Planning.

Discussion on replacing 1985 grade all machine. The Equipment Committee will look into options for leasing vs. purchasing vs. lease to own.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Jeff Hoch to adjourn the meeting at 10:56am.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy, Jeff Lyng and Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion so carried.

Next Meeting: January 11, 2023 at 6:30pm.

Amendments to January 3, 2023 Minutes

Councilperson absent – None

Amendment: Jeff Lyng

Motion was made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Mike Hanno for Supervisor to have the authority to invest Town monies.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy, Jeff Lyng and Shawn Freeman

Amendment: Remove Jeff Lyng

Nays: None

Absent: None

Amendment: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried

Motion made by Vicki Roy and seconded by Jeff Hoch to adjourn the meeting at 10:56am.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Mike Hanno, Vicki Roy, Jeff Lyng and Shawn Freeman

Amendment: Remove Jeff Lyng

Nays: None

Absent: None

Amendment: Jeff Lyng

Motion so carried

Amendments made by Michelle Ward, Town Clerk

Michelle Ward 2/16/2023

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Town Clerk