

Town of Mohawk
Regular Monthly Meeting
October 10th, 2019 at 7:00pm

The regular monthly meeting was held on October 10th, 2019 at the Richard A. Papa Office Building, 2-4 Park St. Fonda NY 12068.

Present: Supervisor Edward Bishop, Councilmen: Janet Tyler, Anthony Bruno, Bill Smith and Matt Paton Also present, William Holvig, Supt. of Highways, Stella Gittle Sole Assessor and Town Attorney Robert Kruger. Kimberly Sullivan Town Clerk was excused.

A motion to approve the minutes of the 09/12/19 Regular Meeting was made Paton and seconded by Tyler. All present voting in favor, motion carried.

Public comment: Larraina Carpenter, town resident, ask how Planning Board members are chosen, Supervisor Bishop explained that he replaces the members with people who have shown an interest in serving. Once chosen, they must meet board approval.

Payments made prior to this meeting to avoid late payments: Total: \$158.18
General A: \$931.36 General B: \$135.00 Highway: \$5,908.91

The Money Market Account as of 09/30/2019: \$849,603.54

Fund breakdown as follows:

General A: 297,312.39	B- Outside the Village: \$132,908.38
DB Hwy Fund: 406,414.33	SL- Street Lighting: 12,968.44

The Investment Account Balance as of 09/30/19: \$759,323.20

Report from the Highway Superintendent as follows:

1. Sealing has been completed with the help of the towns of Root and Glen and Montgomery County.
2. He has completed paperwork for reimbursement along with mowing, ditching, trimming trees and truck maintenance.

Stella Gittle, Sole Assessor reported that the STAR rebate checks have gone out.

Supervisor Bishop gave a brief update on the DEIS Document. In short, Ed reported that Sterling sent a request for public review. Chazen said no, it's not ready, correspondence from our attorney has been sent to Johnstown's attorney stating that it will not go in front of the public until Sterling answers questions.

Ed gave an update on C.S. Energy- further research has to be done- Tabled.

The Town Planning Board has been moved from October 17th, to the 22nd of October at 7:00pm

Update on replacing our accounting system. BAS sold their accounting software to Edmunds. Initially it was very expensive but they lowered the cost and we will stick with them.

Eden Renewables is under contract with the Hayes family on St. Rte. 30A for a Solar Project.

A motion to set the date for Public Hearing to approve the 2020 Operating budget for the Town of Mohawk on November 14th, 2019 at 7pm was made by Tyler and seconded by Smith. All present voting in favor, motion passed.

A motion to approve additional playground equipment at the Tribes Hill Park from donations made by Jason Butler was made by Smith and seconded by Tyler. All present voting in favor, motion passed.

A motion to appoint Michelle Isabella to a five year term as a member of the Planning Board effective October 1, 2019 ending September 30th, 2024 was made by a motion from Smith and seconded by Paton. Tony Bruno against, all others in favor, motion passed.

Resolution #033 authorizing the Supervisor, Town Board and Highway Superintendent to audit and pay bills was made by a motion from Bruno and seconded by Smith. All present voting in favor, motion passed.

Bills Totaling: \$59,100.88

General A account: \$19,721.29 Highway account: \$34,392.70

General B account: \$3,509.83 Street Lighting: 1,477.06

In further business: Don Kilmartin and John Smith spoke about a habitual barking problem with one of their neighbors. The dog warden will pay them a visit.

Participation in Government students each asked general questions of the board. Bill Holvig added that grant money may be available through NYS Parks and Rec.

Larraina Carpenter asked if the board would consider a moratorium on solar installation and/or even change our laws regarding solar.

Stan Waddle, Zoning Code Enforcer stated that there will be an Energy Symposium on October 19th, 2019

A motion to adjourn the regular monthly meeting at 7:52pm was made by Smith and seconded by Paton. All present voting in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly M. Sullivan
Town Clerk