

Town of German Flatts Town Board Meeting
66 East Main Street Mohawk, New York 13407
August 28, 2019

Present: Peter Rovazzi, Supervisor
Jack Fitzer, Deputy Supervisor
Sam Geloso, Councilman
Cynthia Bennett, Councilwoman
Denny Mowers, Councilman
John Brewer, Councilman
Andy Dutcher, Highway Superintendent
Karl Manne, Attorney
Tony Klimek, Codes Officer
Pam Jones, Town Clerk

See Separate sign-in sheet:

Meeting called to order at 5:30. Pledge of Allegiance said by all.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Brewer to accept the 07/24/2019 minutes. Carried.

MOTION by Bennett, seconded by Mowers to accept the Town Clerk's July 2019 report for \$921.50. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Rovazzi to accept Judge Stone's July 2019 report for \$12,371.00. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to accept Judge Engert's July 2019 report for \$1,798.00. Carried

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to approve payment of a GFIM bill for \$788.85. Carried

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to accept June 2019 Treasurer's report. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Brewer to accept July 2019 Treasurer's report. Carried.

MOTION by Geloso, seconded by Mowers to pay bills as audited. Carried.

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REPORTS

Justice Court Requests Required Board Audit – The Justice Court required Board audit will be done this year by Mowers and Geloso, will need to set a date with Court Clerk Brown.

2020 Town Budget Process is in the Town & Topics Magazine with all important dates and also outlines the budget adoption process.

Department head Budget Estimates – Rovazzi has handed out Estimate of Expenditures work sheet to all department heads due back at end of September.

OPRHP Extension – OPRHP has approved an additional extension for 1 year on the Town Park grant for schoolhouse

Highway Department Report – New loader was delivered today. Town will make first payment of \$18,354.21 in September to save \$1800.00 in interest if Town was to wait and make payment in January 2020.

Trash day for the fall season will be held on October 19, 2019 8am – 11am. At the Town garage.

Klimek turn in report of activity for the codes department as of 8/20/2019.

There will be a budget training course at the Community Center September 9, 2019 at 2:00pm.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Brewer to enter into executive session at 5:47pm. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to come out of executive session at 6:31pm . Carried.

John Brewer needed to leave meeting at this time 6:31pm.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to set the salary for the new assessor trainee at \$28,000.00. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 3 people spoke.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you letter from American Foundation for Suicide Prevention on use of the Town Park for their annual walk in September.

OLD BUSINESS

Carver Construction is interested in renting the office at London Bridge from October 2019 – December 2020 to host DOT staff. Rovazzi will talk with Carver Construction and negotiate rental cost. Low side of \$1,200.00 per month was set by board

FEMA Letter Regarding (NFIP) – Rovazzi will set up meeting with FEMA along with Klimek and Brewer, this needs to be done before end of September.

Website Upgrade – It will cost \$200.00 extra to up grade website, Board tabled this till next month.

Manion Heights DOH Letter – Town needs to calibration of water meters in Manion Heights in 2020 as required by DEC.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Rovazzi to approve Resolution authorizing the implementation and funding of the cost of a transportation project which may be eligible for federal-aid and or state-aid, or reimbursement from bridge NY funds. (Richfield Street Bridge) AYES- Rovazzi, Geloso, Bennett, Mowers . NAYS – 0

Local Project Agreement to Advance ROW Phase of the Project – The agreement for the Richfield Street Bridge project ROW over Steele Creek has been received from New York State Department of Transportation.

Marcy Excavation Payment Request – 2 resolution authorizing the issuance of a Revenue Anticipation note were adopted, confirms and ratifies the power and authority of the Supervisor of the Town to issue and sell in the manner provided by the Local Finance Law. RAN issued 8/9/19 for \$193,000.00 and RAN issued 8/28/2019 in amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 authorized by a Revenue Anticipation Note Resolution adopted by Town Board on May 9, 2019.

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Friends of German Flatts Town Park Donation Request – The Friends of the Town Park have asked for a \$2,000.00 donation for the Living History Weekend. Atty. Manne will research to see if this is within the law to sponsor and if money donated needs to go towards a specific item. Tabled till after budget training with auditors.

Re-appointment Assessor – MOTION by Geloso, seconded by Bennett to re-appoint Sue Meeker as Assessor for the Town of German Flatts for 6 years. Carried.

Re-appointment Board of Assessment Review – MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to reappoint Patti Hess to the Board of Assessment Review. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to move payroll date from Wednesday to Friday. Carried. This will take affect as soon as Kathy can work it out.

27 payrolls in 2020 need to account for this in 2020 budget.

Bathrooms at Community Center – Michele Palmer will send Rovazzi preliminary plan for bathrooms. Town needs to use more in-kind services to help ease Towns' share of payments.

Tony asked to received Estimate of Expenditures work sheet for 2020, would also like a copy of last years.

Next Board meeting is Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 5:30.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to adjourn at 7:32pm. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela A. Jones, Town Clerk
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