

Town of German Flatts
66 East Main Street Mohawk, New York 13407
October 24,2018

PRESENT: Louis Peter Rovazzi, Supervisor
Sam Geloso, Councilman
Denny Mowers, Councilman
Cynthia A. Bennett, Councilwoman
John Brewer, Councilman
Andrew Dutcher, Highway Superintendent
Tony Klimek, Codes Officer
Karl Manne, Attorney
Pam Jones, Deputy Town Clerk
Kim Sanderson, Peters & Associates

See Separate sign-in sheet.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to accept 10/03/2018 budget workshop minutes. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to accept 10/17/2018 budget workshop minutes after Rovazzi stated there needed to be a change to the Preliminary Budget Adoption Resolution. Carried. Atty. Manne stated that he would make the change.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to accept 10/17/2018 budget workshop minutes. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Rovazzi to accept Judge Stone's September 2018 report for \$15,059.00. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Geloso to approve payment of GFIM bill for \$1442.50. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Rovazzi to accept Town Clerk's September 2018 report for \$1,772.00. Carried

MOTION by Geloso, seconded by Mowers to accept the Treasurer's September 2018 report. Carried.

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Mowers to pay bills as audited. AYE Bennett, Mowers, Geloso NAY Rovazzi against paying zoning bills. Carried.

Highway Superintendent Andrew Dutcher explained to board about CHIPS funding from NYS and what it covers.

The Highway Department fixed pipes that are protecting the well at Town Park.

London Bridge's parking lot needs repair, Andy would like money saved to pave this next year.

Andy is looking to hire a part time worker for the upcoming winter months.

Resident Tom Cook stated he has a petition to remove south bound stop sign on Warren Road in the Village of Mohawk. He has concerns with being unable to make it up hill in the winter.

Resident Ozzie Sterling read an agreement with Town for a snowplow turn around on his property on Elizabethtown Road. Atty, Manne will review agreement.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Charter Communication Agreement

MOTION by Bennett, seconded by Brewer to open public hearing on Charter Communication Agreement. Carried. Some discussion on why there was no one here from Charter Communication to answer concerns.

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MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Mowers to close public hearing. Carried. AYE Rovazzi, Geloso, Bennett, Mowers, Brewer.

2% Tax Cap Resolution

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Brewer to open public hearing on 2% Tax Cap Resolution. Carried.

No comments.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Mowers to close public hearing. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to over ride 2% Tax Cap Local Law #1, 2018. Carried.

2019 Preliminary Budget

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Bennett to open public hearing on 2019 Preliminary Budget. Carried. No comments.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Brewer to close public hearing. Carried.

Leatherstocking / Emrich Floodplain Restoration project is near completion. Students from BOCES Herkimer County Soil/Water planted trees and Mowers sprayed trees to protect them from wildlife.

War Dog Memorial Group thanked the Town for help with paper work for Village of Herkimer and hoped that the Town grant funding worked out well. The memorial will now be placed near the Herkimer thruway entrance.

New Grant Funding/Match Spreadsheet update was given to board from Templeton LA.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Rovazzi to authorize Fran LaBarbera to reassign each grant with it's own line item on abstracts. Carried.

MOTION by Geloso, seconded by Rovazzi to authorize all Delinquent water account charges in Manion Hights Water District #1 not paid by 10/31/2018 be sent to Herkimer County for collection on the 2019 Town & County Tax bills. Carried. Aye 5 Nay 0

MOTION by Geloso, seconded by Brewer to give Rovazzi authorization to negotiate best interest rate for RAN. Carried.

MOTION by Bennett, seconded by Mowers to authorize Rovazzi and Atty. Manne to complete paperwork to borrow \$175,000.00 remaining on RAN loan. Carried.

MOTION by Mowers, seconded by Geloso to give the Friends of Town Park \$1400.00 to help offset Living History Weekend. Aye Bennett, Mowers, Geloso - Nay Rovazzi, Brewer. Carried.

Attorney Manne will work on contract for rental of Community Center but first wants input from board members on what they want in contract. Board will review 3 sample contracts from other towns and get back to Atty. Manne.

Public Comments:

The next board meeting will be October 30, 2018 at 4pm to adopt 2019 town budget. Next regular monthly meeting is Wednesday November 28, 2018 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted

Pamela A. Jones, Deputy Town Clerk Town German Flatts