REGULAR MEETING BAINBRIDGE TOWN BOARD OCTOBER 10TH, 2017

Present: Dolores Nabinger Supervisor

Jennifer Sienko Councilwoman
James Maddalone Councilman
David DeClue Councilman
Kelly Hromada-Johnson Councilwoman

Gary Richman Highway Superintendent

Recording Secretary: Aric McKown Town Clerk

Supervisor Nabinger called Regular Meeting to order at 7:00PM.

RESOLUTION #1

Motion was made by Councilwoman Johnson, second by Councilman Maddalone, to approve the minutes of the September 12th, 2017 Regular meeting. Ayes: Supervisor Nabinger, Councilman Maddalone, Councilwoman Sienko; Councilman DeClue, Councilwoman Johnson; No: none; Motion Carried.

The following claims as set forth on abstract #10 for 2017 were audited by Town Board:

General Town Wide# 979-1002 for \$9,023.62 General Town Outside# 59-60 for \$320.00 Bennettsville Lights# 31 for \$30.78 Highway Town Wide# 330-337 for \$5,027.85 Highway Town Outside# 212-218 for \$30,763.86

RESOLUTION #2

Motion was made by Councilwoman Sienko, second by Councilwoman Johnson, authorizing clerk to issue warrant to Supervisor for payment of audited claims; Ayes: Supervisor Nabinger, Councilman DeClue, Councilwoman Sienko, Councilman Maddalone, Councilwoman Johnson; No: none; Motion Carried.

Guest(s): Nate Foote / NYMIR Speaker from NBT-MANG Insurance Agency, Phil & Violet Wade, and George Phillips of Reclaim New York.

Mr. Foote attended tonight's meeting to speak to the town board about NYMIR. NYMIR is a municipally owned Insurance Company that strives to provide insurance coverage for New York State municipalities. Foote stated that NYMIR insures 100 municipalities in Madison, Herkimer and Chenango counties to name a few. Currently, NYMIR insurance covers the Village of Bainbridge, Village & Town of Sidney and the Town of Masonville. He also highlighted on the different kinds of coverage including Health, Life, Casualty and Property Insurance.

Supervisor Nabinger asked Mr. Foote to follow up with Councilwoman Sienko, to see if this is something the town would be interested in.

Phil Wade of the Jericho Arts Council updated the board on the stairlift to the 2nd floor of the Town Hall, stating he's still waiting to hear back from the Southern Tier Community Foundation. He stated that the Bainbridge Rotary will be donating \$2500 towards the project. Wade stated it would take 2 to 3 weeks to install and that the units are battery powered.

Violet Wade brought up the slide on the playground at Payne Park, providing current pictures of the slide and stated it's not in good shape. Councilwoman Sienko asked about local playground companies, that the town could use to purchase a new slide from. She suggested the slide be taken down.

Mayor Wade expressed his continuous effort to get the 'Restore NY' grant done and ready. He mentioned that he has had several individuals express interest and that the grant is scored based on the level of distress assessed. Councilman DeClue spoke more about this grant and the process involved, and the dead line for getting the data together is mid December.

George Phillips of Reclaim New York provided the town board with a hand out on online resources for New York's Transparency Project, and invited anyone that had questions to ask him after the meeting.

Reports were received from the Assessor, Sanitation Officer, Recreation Director and Dog Control Officer, and filed.

Dog Control Officer Sherrick spoke about a 'dangerous' dog issue, he had recently been involved with.

POOL

Recreation Director Dale Palmer went over his report with the board. He stated the minimum wage has gone up \$10.40 per hour for 2017, and we have lost guards due to other facilities offering to pay more.

Supervisor inquired about a policy in place for lifeguards being on their cell phones. Palmer said that if this happens, that he should be notified.

Nabinger stated that the town pool remains important and provides a 'community service' to our youth.

Pool Superintendent Richman said the pump for the pool is being rebuilt and that the pool is in need of lifeguard chairs.

Members of the board asked about possible grant money to purchase the chairs. Supervisor Nabinger stated the town doesn't spend all of it's contractual funds and as taxpayers, we need to keep these things up to date because for some kids, it's there 'whole' summer. She said the lifeguard chairs could be purchased from the pool contractual fund.

Recreation Director Palmer talked about school renovations for next year and impact on the playground program. He talked about the possibilities of where the playground program could be 'housed' during this time.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent Richman informed the board that his department has been busy paving roads, improving the ditches and cutting grass. He brought up the 2018 Snow and Ice Contract and that it's been raised a \$1. He asked for the board's approval for this contract.

RESOLUTION #3

Motion was made by Councilman DeClue, second by Councilwoman Sienko, to approve the 2018 Snow and Ice Contract, and to have Supervisor Nabinber sign and return the contract back to Norwich.

Ayes: Supervisor Nabinger, Councilman Maddalone, Councilwoman Johnson, Councilman DeClue, Councilwoman Sienko; No: none; Motion Carried.

Richman informed the board the his new highway truck is about done, and that we need to start thinking about paying for it.

Councilwoman Johnson talked about meeting with other board members to get their suggestions and recommendations before meeting with everyone else to talk about the comprehensive plan. She brought up a possible meeting by end of next week.

Councilman DeClue commented on the comprehensive plan and the changes that have been made. He mentioned scheduling a hearing to adopt the plan and that he would be submitting a payment voucher for the Bainbridge Development Corporation's work on the plan. DeClue asked about the status of the Hugh A. Kearney Bridge. Supervisor Nabinger informed the board that we should know something by the 1st of the year, and that Joyce Kearney had asked about the bridge as well.

Councilwoman Sienko asked Clinton Park Superintendent Richman about the Community Foundation's status on the Christmas lights at Clinton Park and that Bob Evans had written the board about expanding the decorations at the park.

Supervisor Nabinger stated that her and Councilman Maddalone will have their last meeting with the Union on 17th of October and is confident that everthing will be ok.

Nabinger brought up the solar energy informational meeting with Ruth Tompkins and asked if anyone would be going. She went over some changes on 2018 Budget and informed the board that she would be meeting with Ardean Young at the Chenango County Tax Department to figure out the tax cap.

The town board held discussion about the Highway Department's new truck expense and the details of how it would be paid for.

RESOLUTION #4

Motion was made by Councilman DeClue, second by Councilman Maddalone, to set a public hearing for the 23rd of October at 7pm to adopt the 2018 Budget. Ayes: Supervisor Nabinger, Councilman DeClue, Councilwoman Johnson, Councilman Maddalone, Councilwoman Sienko; No: none; Motion Carried.

Motion to Adjourn @ 8:25PM

Next Regular Meeting will be November 14th @ 7PM.

Respectively Submitted,

Aric McKown

Bainbridge Town Clerk