

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

July 12, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was opened with the pledge to the flag at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Acton. Board members present were Dan Acton, Fion MacCrea, Bill Cleveland, Matthew Snyder and Jerry Snyder. Also attending were Highway Superintendent Bob Halsey and Town Clerk Janice Burdick. Guests included Bill Dailey.

Approval of Minutes: There were no minutes ready to be approved.

Police Report – No police report

Monthly Report: Mortgage tax payment received.

Code Enforcement Report:

Patrick Palmer wants to build a house in an Industrial Zone on State. Rt. 21. This is not a permitted use and would need to apply for a Use Variance. The application does not meet the criteria for a Use Variance. Only options are to either rezone that section of property or use a different area.

- John Lang – will be scheduling a meeting to look at the house.
- Addison Frey house – Sold to a local contractor who plans on rebuilding it.
- Chrystal Drumm – put up carport on Rt. 21 – no permit. Send her a letter of violation.

Correspondence:

- NYS Retirement Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials. Motion to adopt by Dan Acton seconded by Matthew Snyder and carried 5-0.
- Fred Greenthal resignation letter effective August 31, 2018. Accepted with much appreciation for his 32 years of dedicated service to the Town.
- Letter to Nathaniel Hendricks letting him know that Sherman Road will be posted to 10 Ton limit to prevent logging trucks on it.

General Abstract #7- Vouchers #60--68 in the General A Fund in the amount of \$2098.24, #12 in the B General Fund in the amount of \$3198.91 and #8 in the SF Fund for \$3291.00 for a total amount of \$8588.15 were approved with a motion by Bill Cleveland seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Abstract #7- Vouchers #73-77 in the DA Highway Fund in the amount of \$276.53 and Vouchers #19-25 in the DB fund in the amount of \$97355.62 were approved with a motion by Matthew Snyder seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

Highway Report: Reviewed written report which included repairs and maintenance of equipment.

- John Eddy will start Monday – can only earn \$5000.
- CHIPS projects are done.
- Checked on new pickup – should be in end of month or 1st week in August.

Fion MacCrea presented a plan by a Company in Rochester that offers municipal lease to own. They will finance equipment (new or used) 3-5 years term. Bill Cleveland asked if the lease agreement interest rate is comparable to a bond. Mr. MacCrea stated he didn't know but would have to have the Town Attorney draw up a bond and they get a certain percentage of the bond. Fion MacCrea sent the company our spreadsheets to work with. Example was a \$200,000 purchase – payments would be \$45,000-\$50,000 per year in payments. Cost to lease would be about \$4000 per year. Mr. MacCrea added that if the Town can plot out a purchase strategy to speed up the purchasing process, the Town finds a piece of equipment then they

finance it. Dan Acton asked if this plan compares to the buyback program with George and Swede and Mr. MacCrea responded that he wasn't sure. Mr. MacCrea added that he will come up with an example to show how this would work. Matthew Snyder added that this would be a debt purchase instead of bonding. It was stated that the next large purchase would be a 10 wheeler. Matthew also questioned buying a used truck and State Auction and Bob Halsey thought they may be ending. Another piece of equipment in the future would be roadside mower.

Supervisor:

- Shared Services submitted the preliminary results. Two public hearings will be held in August 8/13. 10:00 am and 3:00 pm.
- Planning Board is ready to send proposed changes to the Town Attorney for his review.
- Replacing Fred Greenthal – need to decide when to start advertising. Fred's last day on the payroll is August 31, 2018. Bill Cleveland asked if it would be wise to bring someone on before 8/31/18 and use the money budgeted for John Eddy to pay that person. A search committee of Fion MacCrea and Matthew Snyder along with Bob Halsey was established to do interviews. The person hired will have to be Civil service Certified. Would like candidate to live within a 15 mile radius of the Town.
- PESH Violations – they responded to our letter stating that we had to follow the guidelines on their website.

Town Clerk – Will be on vacation 7/30/18 – 8/3/18. A representative of Tom Reed's office will be at the Town Building on July 17th from 2:00 -4:00. Reviewed written report.

Bank Statements - A motion by Fion MacCrea to approve the Bank statements was seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Dan Acton to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel, seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0. Executive Session lasted from 8:10 pm – 8:37 pm and was adjourned with a motion by Fion MacCrea, seconded by Dan Acton and carried 5-0.

A motion to adjourn at 8:38 pm was made by Dan Acton seconded by Bill Cleveland and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice L. Burdick
Town Clerk