

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

October 10, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was opened at 7:00 pm Thursday October 10, 2013. All Board members were present. Guests were Jud Stearns and Brian Goodrich; Alfred Station Volunteer Fire Company, County Legislator Phil Curran, Village of Alfred Mayor Justin Grigg, Bob Ormsby and Dan Acton.

Also present were Chief of Police Tim O'Grady, Town Clerk Janice Burdick and Highway Superintendent Jamie Mansfield.

The meeting was opened at 7:05 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Tom Mansfield.

Guests: Jud Stearns shared the cost agreement between the County and the Fire Departments for the purchase of new radios. The grant states that they can only help with the cost of radios to a Government entity. Then the Fire Department will have to buy them from the Town. The grants provide one radio for the Chief – need total of 3 radios. Town has to sign a contract with Allegany County that states that the radios must be bought, installed and maintained by an Allegany County approved contractor. The County will be paying ½ and the Town will pay ½. Radios are \$2544 each for mobile and \$1000 each for portables. The Fire Department is requesting the Town put the cost in the 2014 Budget. Phil Curran stated that there will be a meeting in Belmont Wednesday where this will be explained further.

County Legislator Phil Curran – Presented a breakdown of the number of bridges in the County, Towns and Villages that were deficient in 2013 and changes in 2013. Less percentage in 2013. Jerry Snyder asked Mr. Curran what the plans are for the County Landfill. Mr. Curran stated that it is going to cost the county a lot of money but it will lose in 2 years. Estimated to cost \$2.5 million to get it capped.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of September 12, 2013 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang, seconded by Mary Stearns and carried 5-0.

Police Report – Chief O'Grady reported it has been a quiet month with just minor things. Discussion about new tickets for overnight parking on Town Roads resulted in changing the fee to \$20.00 and Handicap \$50.00 which is the required State Fee. Concern was expressed regarding Chris Romanchock putting barrels in the Highway right of way. Jamie Mansfield has gone up and moved them. Chief O'Grady suggested the Town write him a letter informing him that he needs to keep items out of the highway right of way.

Codes Enforcement – Codes Enforcement Officer Steve Kilmer was present and the Board reviewed his monthly report.

Monthly Report - Received final FEMA payment, CHIPS, and State Aide.

Correspondence:

1. FEMA – showing amount approved.
2. Richardson and Stout – refund from insurance.
3. Allegany County- meeting 10/16/13 – meeting regarding grant for radios.

Justin Grigg asked where Alfred Station Volunteer Fire Co. receives their funding. Donn Lang explained that they have contracts with the Towns of Alfred, Ward and Hartsville. The balance of about 50% is raised with fund raisers by the members.

General Abstract #10-2013 – Vouchers #111-120 in the amount of \$8690.19 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Abstract #10-2013 – Vouchers #116-125 in the amount of \$8789.75 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang seconded Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

Highway Report – Reviewed written report. Skid patched shoulders on Kenyon Road, Sugar Hill and Shaw Road. Completed ditching on Moland, cut trees by Pleasant Valley Bridge, redid 2 sections of Sherman Road. Graded and brined parts of Hanneman, Cornelius, Ormsby, and all of Green Road

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Built new parking spaces in front of Town Hall. Worked on equipment. Attended a refresher class for CDL drivers at Alfred State College Wellsville Campus.

Tough Mudders has been confirmed for next year – July 12 and 13.

Submitted Seasonal Road list – no changes. Discussion regarding Green Road and the fact that Sean Hyland lives there with his wife and three young children. He does not have a Certificate of Occupancy due to the fact that his permit was for a seasonal cabin. Jerry Snyder stated that he had talked with Mr. Hyland and he made an intentional decision to live there knowing it was a seasonal road. Also, Mr. Hyland knows that the Town can't afford to fix the road for one cabin. The question was asked when does a seasonal road become a year round road.

Transmission for 1996 Mack – Jamie Mansfield received three quotes:

Casey's – exchange \$3450 no warranty.

Casey's – rebuilt ours - \$2950

Beam Mack – rebuilt – exchange and total rebuild. \$4863 – 18 months warranty.

Also would want to put a new clutch on for a cost of \$800-\$900.

Fion MacCrea suggested going with Casey's rebuilding ours, if feel comfortable with that one. Mr. Mansfield stated that he would due to a good recommendation. A motion was made by Jerry Snyder to go with the quote from Casey's for \$2950 to rebuilt our transmission, seconded by Donn Lang and carried 5-0. Mr. Mansfield then presented a quote on garage doors with an R16 value.

Lewis - \$3300/per door.

Overhead - \$4470/per door. That includes taking old doors down and all new track and installation.

Jerry Snyder stated that he would like to see an estimate with a higher R value.

Supervisor – Merger feasibility report will be out October 16th for AACCS-Arkport-Canaseraga.

Received a call from Guy James, Allegany Co. Highway Superintendent, assuming Town does not want to **Town Clerk** –Reviewed written report.

Committee Reports – Planning Board is recommending the Town extend the Moratorium another year due to the fact that the Zoning Law revisions are not completed.

Unfinished Business – 2014 Budget workshop 10/24/2013 at 7:00 pm. Public Hearing scheduled for November 7, 2013 for 2014 Budget with the regular monthly meeting following the Public Hearing. Public Hearing for Local Law #2- 2013 Extension of the Moratorium – November 14, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

A motion was made by Jerry Snyder, seconded by Tom Mansfield and carried 5-0 to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations. Executive lasted from 8:15 pm to 10:05 pm and ended with a motion by Donn Lang, seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Donn Lang to not sign the County Snow and Ice Contract. The motion was seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0.

Financial Committee – September 2013 bank statements were reviewed. A motion to approve the bank statements were made by Mary Stearns seconded by Tom Mansfield and carried 5-0.

A motion to adjourn 10:10 pm was made by Mary Stearns seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice L. Burdick
Town Clerk