

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

December 12, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Alfred was held at 7:00 pm with all Board members present. Guests were Dan Acton and Bob Ormsby, County Legislator Chuck Jessup, and Tom McDowell of the Village Board. Representing the press was Brian O'Neil of WLEA radio.

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

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Tom Mansfield.

Guests: Legislator Jessup stated that things have been quiet at the County but will pick up after the first of the year. Resolution to deny NYS to use Allegany County seal and name to promote the Safe Act. 52 Counties have called for repeal of the Safe Act. Resolution that would require welfare recipients to be residents of the County. District 5 meeting was held – all 3 County Legislators were in attendance as well as Dan Acton, Fion MacCrea, and Justin Grigg, Mayor, Village of Alfred. Discussion centered on replacement of bridges – could be put up for bid with the County having the opportunity of bidding as well as outside contractor's. Several things need to be worked out before this can be presented.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of November 7 – Public Hearing and November 14, 2013 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea, seconded by Mary Stearns and carried 5-0.

Police Report – Chief O'Grady reviewed written report. An arrest was made on the Pleasant Valley burglary. Chief O'Grady thanked Jamie Mansfield for helping out on County Rt. 12 when County truck didn't show up for some time.

Monthly Report – all ok.

Correspondence – Board of Elections – bill for General elections and Thank you for ADA compliance. Allegany County Planning Board – Approval to proceed with Moratorium.

General Abstract #12-2013 – Vouchers #130-142 in the amount of \$ 11253.15 were approved with a motion by Fion MacCrea seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Abstract #12-2013 – Vouchers #137-152 in the amount of \$14105.51 were approved with a motion by Donn Lang seconded Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

Highway Report – Reviewed written report Been out sanding and plowing. On 11/23/13 there was an issue with County Rt 12 – sheet of ice. Jamie Mansfield sanded it- cars off the road and a tow truck was there. Village of Alfred Police shut down the road. County truck showed up 3 hours later. Then on December 8th, Jamie Mansfield received a call from 911 at 10:30 pm stating there were multiple vehicles in the ditches on 12. Alfred PD called for assistance and no one from the County responded. Mr. Mansfield went out and sanded 12 and then did Lake and Kenyon Roads. After this Supervisor Tom Mansfield and Superintendent talked with County Highway Superintendent Guy James. Mr. James stated that the person responsible for checking the roads lives in Rushford. Mr. James reimbursed the Town with 20 tons of sand/salt mix and thanked the Town for helping out.

Installed a driveway pipe on Moland Road for Baldwin lumber for logging job. Reviewed repairs on equipment.

Quote on overhead doors – if do all will have to bid it out but will save about 10-12%. Brian Snyder is fixing the heater and checking to see how much it would be to bring the heater over from the other building – estimate about \$1000.00. The gas is turned off in that building. (Note- a refund has been received from National Fuel).

Town Clerk – Attended DECALS training in Bath on December 3rd. Will be picking up 2014 Taxes in Belmont on 12/30/13.

Committee Reports – Planning Board did not meet last month.

Unfinished Business – Local Law #2 of the Year 2013 – A local law extending the Moratorium on and prohibition of gas and petroleum exploration and extraction activities, underground storage of natural gas, and disposal of natural gas or petroleum extraction, exploration, and production wastes. Motion to approve by Fion MacCrea, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0.

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Supervisor's Report – Supervisor Tom Mansfield thanked everyone for all the help during the last 14 years on the Town Board. Mr. Mansfield was thanked for her service to the Town and will be greatly missed.

Union Contract – Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations was made by Donn Lang, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0. Executive Session ended at 9:30 pm with a motion by Donn Lang, seconded by Jerry Snyder and carried 5-0

Financial Committee – November 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. Mary Stearns and Supervisor Mansfield will conduct the Court Audit on December 19th.

Other Business – Concern with additional junk cars being stored on property on State Route 244 owned by Yuri Kaminski. Tom Mansfield will contact Coded Enforcement Officer Steve Kilmer and have him check on it.

Contract for Shared Cost Agreement for Radio Equipment. Needs to be reviewed before accepting it. A motion to adjourn 9:40 pm was made by Donn Lang seconded by Fion MacCrea and carried 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice L. Burdick
Town Clerk