

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Scott held February 9, 2020, by computer commencing at 6:00 P.M.

Zoom meeting was held because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Present by Zoom: Dr. Guy Rouff, Supervisor
Neeca Root, Councilwoman
Paula Arnold, Councilwoman
Louis Martin, Councilman
Trevor Adams, Councilman, Joined Late

Recording Secretary: Tamara Congdon, Town Clerk

Other Present: Daniel J. Ellis II, Town, Attorney
David Putnam, HWY Superintendent
Kevin Fitch, District 8, County Legislator
Russ Phelps, Court Justice
Teri Phelps, Court Justice Clerk
Tim Bearup, Code Enforcer Officer

Town Residents: Shirley Clark

The Regular meeting of the Town of Scott was called to order at 6:00 pm by Supervisor Dr. Guy Ruoff and followed with the Pledge of the Allegiance.

Town Clerk Tamara Congdon did not have a good connection to this zoom meeting. Therefore, the minutes may not reflect the meeting in completion.

Legislator Report: County Legislator Kevin Fitch spoke to the Board about the opening of the Senior Centers. Liz Haskins is working on putting this together, but they may need the town's financial support. He will keep us posted.

Approval of January 2021 Minutes:

Councilman Louis Martin made a motion to approve the January minutes as long as his requested corrections were to be made. He asked that each motion have a roll call vote attached to them. Councilman Martin was seconded by Supervisor Guy Ruoff. All in favor, none opposed the motion carries.

Ayes-3

Nays-0

Approval of Abstracts #2:

Councilman Louis Martin made a motion to approve the General Abstract #2 totaling \$4,606.92 and was seconded by Councilwoman Paula Arnold. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.

Councilwoman Paula Arnold made a motion to approve the Highway Abstract #2 totaling \$6,590.39 and was seconded by Councilman Louis Martin. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.

Councilman Louis Martin made a motion to approve the Water Abstract #2 totaling \$1,544.35 and was seconded by Councilwoman Paula Arnold. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.

Town Supervisor (Treasurer) Report:

The February Supervisors Reports was tabled till next month so that it could be reviewed.

Town Clerk Monthly Report:

Councilman Louis Martin made a motion to accept the January Clerk Reports and was seconded by Councilwoman Paula Arnold. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.

Revenue:

Dog License	\$44.00
DECALS	\$ 5.00
Total Revenue	\$50.00

Disbursements:

Paid to the Supervisor	\$39.28
Paid to the NYSDAM for the APCP	\$ 6.00
DECALS	\$ 4.72
Total Disbursements	\$50.00

CEO Report: Code Enforcer Officer Tim Bearup explained that he had one building permit this month. He went on to explain he has been working on the end of the year report and an updated list of permits for Mr. Abbot.

Historian: Rus Phelps nominated his wife Teresa for the duties of Town Historian. After a brief discussion about the duties and salary of this position, Supervisor Guy Rouff asked Teresa if she would accept the position. She accepted and thanked the Board for the opportunity. **Councilman Louis Martin made a motion to accept the appointment of Teresa Phelps to the Town Historian position and was seconded by Councilwoman Neeca Root. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.**

Highway Report:

Superintendent of Highway David Putnam explained they have been busy plowing and salting the roads because of the little storm we just had. (This little storm shut schools and roads down for 2 days)

ZBA: Town Lawyer Dan Ellis explained he has been working on an application that is pending. The ZBA has no authority on this issue and the town Board will have to look into this more.

Old Business:

CODE BOOK: Councilwoman Paula Arnold has been looking at the new Code Book and has several questions. She has given Code Enforcer Bearup a list of questions to review. Mr. Bearup stated some of the laws are state and county and can not be changed. Supervisor Ruoff suggests they table the book for further review.

MEPB: Councilman Martin asked where they were at with this. Councilwoman Neeca Root said she had been ill and has not been able to work on it much this month. Councilman Martin stated it needs to be

completed by June 1st. Councilwoman Root asked if he could take it over for she still is not feeling well, and he is very informed on the issue.

TAHOMA: Town Clerk Tamara Congdon offered to keep track of any request for grant searches for Tahoma. County Legislator Fitch asked that they look into HUD and HWY Superintendent Putnam suggested a new fence around the park at country acres housing development.

New Business:

Farmland Protection: Amy Olney explained she is from a not-for-profit agency NYALT that works with farms. She has worked with other farmers in our area for the same reason. Her client EZ Acres Farm would like to receive a grant and in return would restrict the development rights on their property. She would need the Town to make a resolution or write a letter of acceptance. Supervisor Ruoff asks Town lawyer Ellis to look into this for the Board. Mr. Ellis asked for more information and a map of the land that is in consideration of this grant. Councilman Martin and Councilwoman Arnold also asked for more information.

MEETING DATES: Supervisor Guy Ruoff made a motion to accept the following dates for the Regular Town Board Meeting for 2021 and was seconded by Councilman Trevor Adams. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.

February 9th

March 9th

April 13th

May 11th

June 8th

July 13th

August 10th

September 14th

October 12th

November 9th

December 14th

Adjournment:

Councilman Louis Martin. motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm and was seconded by Councilman Trevor Adams. All in favor, none opposed, the motion carries.