

REGULAR MEETING
February 17, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lyndon, County of Cattaraugus and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 852 Lyndon Center Road, Cuba, New York on the 17th day of February 2015.

Present: Leonard Kaluzny ----- Supervisor
Sidney Emmons ----- Councilman
Scott Hillman ----- Councilman
Don Gietl----- Councilman
Frank Puglisi ----- Clerk

Absent: Clifford Evans ----- Councilman
George Schneider ----- Supt. of Highways

Attended by: Numerous Residents, and 1 Lyndon Constable.

Supervisor Kaluzny called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:03pm.

Clerk Puglisi took the role. Councilman Emmons made a motion to approve as written the January 13, 2015 meeting minutes. Councilman Gietl seconded the motion. The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Emmons, Gietl, Hillman)
Nays 0

Correspondence-

Letter from Cooper Planning- Anne Cooper sent a thank you note for the Town doing business with her company for health insurance.

New York Ag and Markets- Supervisor Kaluzny stated the town received a report on the dog control officer James Morgan. The report stated he passed the inspection but had to fix a couple of things in his kennel. Supervisor Kaluzny stated he spoke with James Morgan and he has already fixed the problems.

Letter from Dale Carlson- Dale Carlson requested that a letter he sent be put verbatim into the minutes.

Councilman Hillman made a motion to put Dale Carlson's letter in the minutes verbatim. Councilman Gietl seconded the motion. The following was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Hillman, Gietl, Emmons)
Nays 0

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To the Lyndon Town Board,

It is with great appreciation of the Lyndon Community that due recognition be granted to Sidney Emmons for his expertise, tireless dedication and general compassion as the long standing Town Historian. His talents and performance as Historian may never be equaled. Quite often a person's contributions to society go unrecognized and taken for granted. To lessen the chance of that happening, I ask that this small token of thanks be recorded, verbatim, in the official minutes of this meeting.

Sincerely

Dale Carlson

Letter from Terry and Dee Bush- Councilman Gietl read a letter from Terry and Dee Bush stating they are upset about the firing of Sid Emmons as Town Historian.

Public Comment-

A Resident asked how the Town is better off with the new historian then when Sid Emmons was historian. Supervisor Kaluzny stated Sid was asked what he did in 2014 and 2013 and he said nothing. Supervisor Kaluzny asked Clerk Puglisi to get the boxes out that Sid Emmons returned to the Town. Clerk Puglisi went into the vault and brought out two boxes. Supervisor Kaluzny stated these two boxes are what Sid turned over to the town for the last 150 to 200 years of history. Councilman Emmons stated many things the historian works on do not generate paper files and it's not the historian's job to write the history every year.

Resident Kathy Behm- Asked if there is going to be a set standard for the new historian to do every year. Supervisor Kaluzny stated yes we are already talking about it with her and were just waiting to get the records. He stated she will have to write something on the history every year.

Old Business-

JCAP Grant- Supervisor Kaluzny stated we received \$27,000 out of a possible \$30,000 for construction of a courthouse. Councilman Gietl was concerned on how much the addition will cost. Clerk Puglisi stated the average grant was \$6,400. A detailed discussion took place and a building committee was setup comprised of Supervisor Kaluzny, Clerk Puglisi, Constables Rob and Tim, Councilman Hillman.

Internal Audit- Councilman Emmons stated the internal audit was done on all of the financial work for the Supervisor, Clerk and Town Justice. Councilman Emmons stated there were no problems found and this year the records were kept very well for the courts and town financials.

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Best Value Local Law- Councilman Gietl made a motion to send local law 1-2015 to the town attorney to start the process of making it law. Councilman Emmons seconded the motion. The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Gietl, Emmons, Hillman)
Nays 0

Clerk Puglisi will send the draft of the law to the town attorney Robert Strassel to look at and will report back to the board next meeting.

Town Trucks- Supervisor Kaluzny stated one of the trucks broke an axle and rear gear and needed to be fixed by Portville truck.

New Business-

Workmen's Comp- Supervisor Kaluzny stated the workmen's comp for the town went up by \$1955.31 because two claims were made by the fire company. He stated that the letter from the county was misleading and the premium was not going to stay the same.

Councilman Gietl made a motion to transfer \$1,955.31 from Contingent A1990.4 to General Workers Comp A9040.8. Councilman Hillman seconded the motion. The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Gietl, Hillman, Emmons)
Nays 0

A further detailed discussion took place regarding who should pay the premium increase the Town or the Fire District. Supervisor Kaluzny will ask the Fire District if they would be willing to pay whole or part of the increase this year, and then work something out for the years to come.

Thank a Veteran Program- Clerk Puglisi stated he would like to start a discount program on dog licenses for veteran and active military personal. A detailed discussion took place and the Board felt it was a good idea to honor our veterans and active military. It was decided to give a two-dollar discount per dog to a veteran or active military person.

Councilman Gietl made a motion to let the Clerk start a Thank a Veteran discount program on dog licenses in the amount of a \$2.00 discount per dog. Councilman Hillman seconded the motion. The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Gietl, Hillman, Emmons)
Nays 0

Clerk Puglisi stated he should have the program running by March and the people who did not receive the discount in January and February will receive a double discount next year.

Supervisor Report-

A detailed report was given to the Board. Supervisor Kaluzny stated we have \$439,098.61 in the General and Highway funds. He stated the Fire District has received their tax check.

Councilman Emmons made a motion to approve the written supervisor report. Councilman Gietl seconded the motion. The following was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Emmons, Gietl, Hillman)
Nays 0

Supervisor Kaluzny stated he received from the County today the fourth quarter sales tax check for \$36,335.09, which is not reflected in the amount given.

Clerk Report-

A detailed report was given to the Board. Clerk Puglisi stated he took in \$216.00 and paid out \$216.00. \$143.00 to the Supervisor, \$26.00 to Ag and Markets and \$47.00 to the County for DPW tickets.

Clerk Puglisi stated he went to a records management grant workshop and will be putting a grant in for the HVAC unit and possibly putting in to have the records computerized and indexed by a company and create a master back up.

Tax Collector Report-

Clerk Puglisi stated he paid the Town warrant off of \$321,741.00 and have paid the County so far \$363,869.14 of their warrant.

Justice Report-

A detailed report was given to the Board. Supervisor Kaluzny stated the Court took in \$1,308.00 and the Town kept \$450.00.

Councilman Gietl made a motion to pay abstract 2 of the general fund claims 15 thru 35 for \$11,538.02 and abstract 2 of the highway fund claims 14 thru 25 for \$16,858.24. Councilman Emmons seconded the motion. The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 (Kaluzny, Gietl, Emmons, Hillman)
Nays 0

Being no further business or concerns Councilman Gietl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Emmons seconded the motion. All Ayes the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Puglisi, Lyndon Town Clerk