

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
November 10, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held on November 10, 2015 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor David Vincent declared the meeting to order at 6:57 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said.

Roll Call:

Councilman:	Arnold Lobdell
	Bill Wood
	Jim Otis
	Tim Crippen
Supervisor:	David Vincent
Supt. of Highways:	Tom Russell
Town Clerk:	Elizabeth Downing
Code Officer:	Jim Dumont

A motion was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis to authorize Thomas Russell, Burke Town Superintendent of Highways to enter into an agreement with Jonathan Hutchins, Superintendent of Highways for the County of Franklin for the removal of snow and sanding of Franklin County Highways plowed by the Burke Highway Department for the sum of \$102,955.24 for the 2015-2016 season and \$104,531.24 for the 2016-2017 season. A motion to accept the corrected October 13, 2015 minutes was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

New Business:

1. A motion was made by Bill Wood and seconded by Arnold Lobdell to re-nominate Betty Blanchard to the Burke Board of Assessment Review. Roll call: Arnold, aye, Bill, aye, Tim, aye, Jim, aye and David, aye.
2. Jim Lobdell, representing the Burke Fire Department, thanked the Burke Town Board for supporting the Fire Department and presented the 2016 Contract for Fire Protection to the Town of Burke. The contract was signed by Jim Lobdell and Supervisor, David Vincent.

The Highway Committee did not meet.

Arnold Lobdell requested that the Highway Employees Statement of Benefits be changed to reflect the correct description of the Highway Employees Longevity Bonus.

Highway Supervisors Report:

1. A beaver dam on Spencer Road is flooding the roadway and Tom Russell, Highway Superintendent, has gotten Roger Godin to start trapping the beavers. Once the beavers are completely trapped out, the dam will be destroyed. Tom is concerned that the water may affect Burke Citizen Norm Parent. Resolution #20-2015 – A motion to make a resolution to allow Tom Russell, Highway Superintendent, to work on the Burke Town right of way to destroy and remove the beaver dam on Spencer Road was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Bill Wood. Roll Call: Arnold, aye, Bill, aye, Tim, aye, Jim, aye and David, aye.
2. A new disability hearing for Robert Perham has been set up.
3. NYMIR Insurance can no longer check the driver's license status of Town Employees for Towns. New York State Department of Motor Vehicles License Event Notification Service (LENS) has a Commercial Driver Information System that the Supervisor of Burke has enrolled the Town of Burke into. Resolution #21-2015 – A motion to pass a resolution to enroll the Highway Department Employees in the LENS Information System was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold, aye, Bill, aye, Tim, aye, Jim, aye and David, aye.

The Code Report for October 2015 will be submitted at the next meeting. Jim Dumont reported that there is no specific guidance in the Burke Town Code for solar power development but he will check with the New York State Code.

A motion to accept the October 2015 Financial Report was made by Bill Wood and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

Resolution #22-2015 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt Thayer's Corners Water District Fund Budget Amendment #9 was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye. \$400.00 was appropriated from Account #FX8330.4 Lab Samples and \$5,000.00 was appropriated from Account#FX909 Fund

Balance. \$400.00 was deposited into Account #FX8320.4 Electricity and \$5,000.00 was deposited into Account #FX8310.4 Water Contractual.

Resolution #23-2015 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt General Fund Budget Amendment #10 was made by Bill Wood and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye. \$30.00 was appropriated from Account#A8810.4 Cemeteries and \$30.00 was deposited into Account #A9050.8 Unemployment Insurance.

Old Business:

1. Bill Wood had a Burke Citizen ask to rent out a Town Courthouse Garage Bay and asked if a price for the garage bays for winter storage has been fixed. A motion was made by Jim Otis and Tim Crippen to rent out Town Courthouse garage bays for \$200.00 for the winter season. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill abstain, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye. Bill said that Donald Johnston had offered to pay \$150.00 for rental and Bill will relay the \$200.00 price and see if he would still be interested.
2. The Church called Supervisor Vincent and would like to use one of the Courthouse garage bays to store furniture. This furniture would be moved in and out throughout the storage season. The Board agreed they do not want to allow anyone to move items in and out of storage throughout the storage season.

No Public Comments were made.

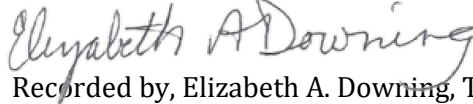
Bills were paid.

Supervisor Vincent reported that NYSEG, the Courthouse electrical supplier, has changed the Courthouse rate classification to Service Classification No. 6. The Courthouse was previously on an on demand classification. The rate classification and change in rates will become effective starting on the Courthouse's next bill. This change should make the rates cheaper each month.

A motion to adjourn at 7:54 P.M. was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth A. Downing, Town Clerk



Recorded by, Elizabeth A. Downing, Town Clerk