

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

December 12, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held on December 12, 2017 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor David Vincent declared the meeting to order at 7:00 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, arrived 7:13 P.M.
Town Clerk:	Elizabeth Downing
Bookkeeper:	Judy Dumont
Code Officer:	Jim Dumont

A motion to accept the November 14, 2017 minutes as read was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

No Public comments were made.

David Vincent, Burke Town Supervisor and Lloyd Walfield, Burke Fire Department President, signed the 2018 Fire Contract.

The Highway Committee did not meet.

Highway Superintendent Thomas Russell's Report:

1. Tom reported that FEMA has authorized \$4982.08 for Category A (brush removal) damages and is processing the Category B (snow removal) damages. Tom submitted paperwork for \$9,682.57 in Category B damages. 75% of the final funds will be paid by the federal government, 12.5% of the final funds will be paid by New York State if they declare this a natural disaster and 12.5% of the final funds will be paid by the Town of Burke.
2. A factory weld holding a rear cylinder on the new Volvo plow truck came loose causing damage. Since the truck is under warranty Viking is liable for 100% of the damage repair. The truck has gone back to Viking and the repair will be finished by the first of January 2018 if the repair is minor and the repair will be finished by the end of January 2018 if the repair is severe and the truck box needs to be replaced due to sub-frame damage. The Town of Burke has paid for the new plow truck in full and is currently experiencing loss of service of the new plow truck. A motion was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis to contact Beam Mack to supply the Town of Burke with a truck to replace the damaged truck until the Town's truck is repaired and back in service. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.
3. Tom has contacted New York State to find out why the NYS Snow and Ice Contract funds are less than provided in the previous contract.
4. Tom will get with Bookkeeper Judy Dumont to figure out what sick time will get carried over for Highway Department Employees.
5. Councilman Jim Otis will find out why Titus Mountain still hasn't sent the payment for the rock crusher that Titus Mountain was awarded as the highest bidder.
6. Tom received a check for \$428.80 from Helm Salvage for 5.36 tons of scrap steel at \$80.00 per ton.

Old Business:

1. The boiler in the Burke Courthouse will have a re-inspection set up.
2. Ekrub Player's has donated \$150.00 to the Town of Burke for use of Sellar's Field in 2017.

3. The Village of Burke has sent the Town of Burke letter dated December 7, 2017 requesting help with snow removal at the Burke Village water tower. The Board stated that they will help the Village as needed.

Resolution #21-2017 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt General Fund Budget Amendment #10 was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye. \$1800.04 was appropriated from Account #A1420.4 Attorney, Contractual and \$900.00 was appropriated from Fringe Benefits, Unemployment Insurance. \$500.00 was deposited into Account#A1320.4 Director of Finance, Contractual, \$500.04 was deposited into Account#A1320.1 Director of Finance, Personal Services, \$200.00 was deposited into Account#A1220.4 Supervisor, Contractual, \$600.00 was deposited into Account#A1110.15 Justice, Personal Services, Clerk and \$900.00 was deposited into Account# A9030.8 Fringe Benefits, Social Security.

Resolution #22-2017 - A motion to pass a resolution to adopt Highway Fund Budget Amendment #11 was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Bill Wood. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye. \$16.60 was appropriated from Account #DB5110.4 Town Outside, General Repairs, Contractual, \$250.00 was appropriated from Account #DA9010.8 Townwide, Employee Benefits, Dental, \$1,000.00 was appropriated from Account #DA9060.85 Townwide, Employee Benefits, Hospital, HRA. \$16.60 was deposited into Account# DB5110.1 Town Outside, General Repairs, Personal Services, \$250.00 was deposited into Account #DA9050.8 Townwide, Employee Benefits, Unemployment Insurance and \$1,000.00 was deposited into Account# DA9060.8 Townwide, Employee Benefits, Hospital, Medical Insurance.

The Code Officer collected \$33.00 for the month of November. A motion to accept the November 2017 Code Officers Report was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

A motion to accept the November 2017 Financial Report was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Bill Wood. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

A check for \$2,715.27 was received as a Payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) for the Natural Gas line running through Burke.

Tom Russell has requested that a check be given to Larry LaPlant, the new Highway Superintendent, to purchase a new laptop computer to replace the outdated computer at the Highway Department. The Highway Department credit card in Tom's name has been surrendered to Community Bank and Larry must have it replaced. The Board agreed that Larry can use up to \$750.00 to purchase a new laptop.


No Public Comments were made.

Bills were paid.

An end of year Board Meeting was set up for December 27, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. at the Burke Town Courthouse.

A motion to adjourn at 8:00 P.M. was made by Bill Wood and seconded by Tim Crippen. 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