

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
January 23, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held on January 23, 2018 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor David Vincent declared the meeting to order at 11:05 A.M. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said.

Roll Call:

Councilman: Arnold Lobdell, arrived 12:15 P.M.
Bill Wood
Jim Otis
Tim Crippen
Supervisor: David Vincent
Supt. of Highways: Larry LaPlant
Town Clerk: Elizabeth Downing

A motion to accept the December 12, 2017 minutes as read was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold absent, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

A motion to accept the December 27, 2017 minutes as read was made by Bill Wood and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold absent, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

A motion to accept the January 2, 2018 minutes as read was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold absent, Bill abstain, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

No Public comments were made.

New Business:

1. The Dog Control contract between North Country Animal Control Center, Inc. and the Town of Burke was discussed. Elizabeth Downing, Burke Town Clerk, will work on getting the Village of Burke added to the contract.
2. The Chateaugay Recreation Park contract was signed.
3. A meeting between Burke Town Council members and citizens with an interest in the Ridgeway Cemetery will be set up on Monday, February 5, 2018 at the Burke Town Courthouse at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Vincent mentioned that grants designated for cemetery maintenance can be acquired through New York State.
4. A Solar Energy Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at the Malone Town Offices. A New York attorney specializing in solar energy is scheduled to speak at this meeting.
5. The board discussed the sediment present in the Courthouse's water. The board decided that because the Courthouse's low water usage, sediment problems exist. The Town Clerk will run the water during her hours to increase water flow and decrease sediment formation.

The Highway Committee did not meet but reported that the new Volvo plow truck is back in service.

Highway Superintendent Larry LaPlant's Report:

1. Zachary LaClair will be terminating employment with the Burke Highway Department on January 29, 2018. The Highway Department will take the time to get the right employee to fill the vacancy.
2. A Highway plow truck went off Stuart Road while plowing during a blizzard and had to be towed out of the ditch by a wrecker.
3. The Town Council thanked the Highway Department for doing such a great job plowing out areas around Burke this winter such as the Town Courthouse and Burke Fire Department.
4. Resolution #2-2018 – A motion was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen to pass a resolution to authorize Burke Town Highway Superintendent, Larry LaPlant to secure a credit card with a \$2,500.00

spending limit for the Burke Highway Department. Roll Call: Arnold absent, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye. Larry will check with Roger Labombard from Chateaugay, to get information about a credit card that will get New York State gas pricing at the pump.

Old Business:

1. Jim Otis contacted Titus Mountain to get payment for their winning bid on the rock crusher. Jim was informed that they didn't think they had won the bid. The Town Clerk will make a copy of the bid acceptance letter that was sent to Titus Mountain.
2. During the extreme cold weather, the Courthouse heater had an issue with the intake freezing up since it was located outside. The intake has been altered to draw air from the attic of the Courthouse also to correct this issue. A week later, a regulator located on the propane tank had frozen. Suburban Propane has put an additive into the propane that should fix this problem.
3. The New York State boiler inspector came to inspect the new Courthouse furnace. He stated that it must be inspected by an inspector representing our insurance carrier and have a certificate of this inspection placed on the boiler. An inspection with our insurance carrier's boiler inspector has been set up by the Town Clerk for Wednesday, February 7, 2018.

No Code Report was presented to the Town Board.

A motion was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis to accept the December 2017 Financial Report. Roll Call: Arnold absent, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

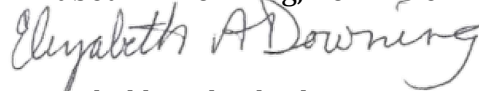
A motion was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Arnold Lobdell to enter into a Dog Control contract between North Country Animal Control Center, Inc. and the Town of Burke and enter into a contract between the Town of Burke and the Village of Burke at a later date. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Bill aye, Tim aye, Jim aye and David aye.

No Public Comments were made.

Bills were paid.

A motion to adjourn at 12:36 P.M. was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis. 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