

TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION MEETING
February 23, 2021

The Burke Town Board met for a work session on February 23, 2021 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor Bill Wood declared the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said.

Roll Call:
 Councilman: Arnold Lobdell
 Tim Crippen
 Jim Otis
 Supervisor: Bill Wood
 Supt. of Highways: Larry LaPlante
 Town Clerk: Elizabeth Downing and Judy Tavernier, Trainee
 Councilman Keith Trudeau arrived at 6:05 P.M.

A motion to dispense with the minutes of the last meeting was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Jim aye, Tim aye, and Bill aye.

An email was received from the Foothills Director Craig Dumas with an update regarding the Ambulance EMS service. Waiting for EIN and wants meeting to discuss contracts.

Greg Janisewski advised us that Burke may be eligible for \$273,000 if the stimulus package goes through. Zoom meeting tomorrow at 2:00 pm with consultant for broadband.

RESOLUTION #6-2021

A resolution accepting the obligation to pay back USDA funds for the truck was made on a motion by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Jim aye, Tim aye, Keith aye and Bill aye.

The Health Emergency Plan was discussed. Diane Walfield, Burke Health Officer had a few suggestions such as wearing of masks to be added on page 4. Various questions arose and it was determined that the subject would be tabled to the March 9, 2010 meeting.

Lora Garrow has contacted us regarding a 10% discount for the Solar Farm – Sign up before March 2020. Tim Crippen made the motion to sign up and Arnold Lobdell seconded the motion. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Jim aye, Tim aye, Keith aye and Bill aye.

Larry LaPlante reported that he had located a 2004 JD Grader for \$64,999. Justified by need of equipment to be replaced. Jim Otis made a motion to make an emergency purchase using the Equipment Fund. Keith Trudeau seconded. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Jim aye, Tim aye, Keith aye and Bill aye. Larry LaPlante also reported that there was an excavator available.

Ken Woody will be hired for the highway department vacancy. He will start after he has completed his 2-week notice at MX Fuel.

No Public Comments were made.

A motion to adjourn at 6:50 P.M. was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Jim aye, Keith aye and Bill aye.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Tavernier, Town Clerk Trainee

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