REGULAR BURKE TOWN BOARD MEETING August 10, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held on August 10, 2021 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor Bill Wood declared the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call:

Councilman:

Arnold Lobdell

Tim Crippen
Jim Otis - absent

Keith Trudeau

Supervisor:

Bill Wood

Supt. Of Highways:

Larry LaPlante

Town Clerk:

Judy Tavernier

Bookkeeper:

Linda Trudell

Code Officer:

Jim Dumont - absent

This Regular Meeting is being voice recorded by the Burke Town Clerk, Judy Tavernier.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes of the July 13, 2021 meeting were read and approved on a motion by Tim Crippen and seconded by Keith Trudeau. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

No public comments at this time.

Old Business:

- 1. Glengarry Host & PILOT Community Agreements Jim Gonyo is discussing with Greg Mountain tax implications and procedures for the Town of Burke. Language needs to be further discussed. Research indicates that Chateaugay is receiving \$9000/megawatt. Opinion is we should receive the same. PILOT is for 15 years Need to include phrase that after 15 years taxes will return to 100% of tax value or be re-negotiated. If depreciation is a concern, schedule must be included in contract. Decommissioning must also be in the contract.
- 2. Propane Bid Opening: Suburban Propane changed the contract when contacted that we had accepted their quote. Therefore, the propane contract was posted in the newspaper for bids. Bids were received from Adirondack Energy, Suburban Propane, Energy Brothers, and MX Fuels. The quote from MX Fuels could not be read and Supervisor will contact them for another copy. At the current time it appears that Adirondack Energy's bid of \$1.549/gal. fixed is the best price. Arnold Lobdell made the motion to accept the Adirondack Energy bid with the provision that if MX Fuels bid is received by Wednesday morning and is less than Adirondack Energy than they would win the bid. Motion was seconded by Tim Crippen. Arnold aye, Tim aye, Keith aye, Bill aye.
- 3. Tim Crippen made the motion to have Brian Stewart prepare a new law to be reviewed by the Town Board addressing the Telecommunications Towers. It was seconded by Keith Trudeau. Roll Call: Arnold abstain, Tim aye, Keith aye, Bill aye.
- 4. NYS Retirement System Update Information has been submitted to NYSLRS waiting for response.
- 5. Brookside meeting was held in Chateaugay in July. Burke requested 10 visual sites for review Sites # 2, 9, 15, 23, 24, 32, 33, 43, 44, and 46. Tim Crippen made the motion to accept these sites for review. Arnold Lobdell seconded. Arnold aye, Tim aye, Keith aye, Bill abstain. Eric Will agreed to complete 5 sites now and will complete the remaining 5 sites later.
- 6. Chateaugay Rec Park Update It was noted that the Director Maggie Ferrell is from Burke. The bus driver and at least 2 of 6 of the life guards live in Burke. Approximately 120 children per day are attending regularly with approximately 50 from Burke.
- 7. ARPA Funds \$64,000 has been received for the Town of Burke. Franklin County has hired a consultant who will also be available to help the area towns.
- 8. Supervisor Bill Wood and Bookkeeper Linda Trudell will be meeting to start on the budget for 2022 and will present tentative budget at September 2021 meeting.

No Highway Committee Report

Highway Superintendent's Report – Culverts and black top have been done on Callahan Road. Work has also been done on the East Road by steel deck bridge. Still no bids on grader. Paver is still out of commission awaiting repairs. May need to borrow from other town or rent paver to complete work – very expensive to rent.

Code Officers Report - \$75.00 – Arnold Lobdell made the motion to accept the report. Keith Trudeau seconded. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

Financial Report was reviewed and two corrections made. Report was approved as corrected on a motion by Tim Crippen and seconded by Keith Trudeau. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye. Arnold Lobdell made the motion to accept the bank reconciliation statements. Tim Crippen seconded. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

No Public Comments at this time.

Bills were paid.

A motion to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. was made by Keith Trudeau and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Tavernier, Town Clerk

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