

TOWN OF PERTH

Regular Town Board Meeting

November 1, 2018

6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Fagan, Councilman Korona, Councilman Lewandowski, and Councilman Betz.

ABSENT: Councilman Kowalczyk

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk, Judith English; Highway Superintendent, David Dopp; Dog Control Officer, Joseph Passino; Pastor from Perth Bible Church, Mark Appell; Members of the Perth Volunteer Fire Company, Kate Tylutki, President; Fire Chief, Scott Friedlander; and 1st Assistant Chief, Peter Watrobski; Pauline Dominiak, Rebecca Dopp and at 7:15 Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Esq.

Supervisor Fagan opened the Meeting at 6:35 p.m. A salute to the flag was held and a moment of silent prayer observed. Supervisor Fagan asked those present to remember the following in their thoughts and prayers:

The family of **George Rossi** who recently passed away. George was a Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Perth and a Life Member of the Perth Volunteer Fire Department.

The family of **Fred Fagan**, father of Supervisor Gregory Fagan, who was a lifetime dairy farmer in the Town of Perth. He served on the Fulton County Farm Bureau, and was a Director and President. He was also on the board of Directors of the local Agway Cooperative and served on the Soil and Water Conservation District Board.

Also keep in mind long time Councilman **Walter Kowalczyk** who is hospitalized at St. Mary's Hospital, and Town Clerk Judith English's husband **Sam English**, who is in Saratoga hospital.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the Regular Town Board Meeting held on Thursday, October 4, 2018 were offered for approval by Councilman Betz and seconded by Councilman Korona; all were in favor: Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Public Hearing on the 2019 Town of Perth Budget was opened at 6:36 p.m. Supervisor Fagan offered some changes as follows:

Add \$70,000.00 to Account A1620.2 Buildings Equipment for paving Town Hall parking lot

Increase Fund Balance from \$190,000.00 to \$260,000.00

The Fire Tax Rate will go from \$1.51 to \$1.66

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m. because no one else was present to speak for or against the 2019 Budget.

The Public Hearing for the 2019 Town of Perth Fire Protection Contract was opened at 6:40 p.m.

First Assistant Chief, **Peter Watrobski** reported that the Fire Company has applied for a grant from FEMA in the amount of \$146,000 to help pay for air pacs. He also reported that the Fire Company has purchased a used ladder truck from the Round Lake Fire Department. **Supervisor Fagan** asked what condition the truck is in and **Chief Watrobski** stated that the truck has recently passed inspection and should last for years. He also reported that the fire house is in need of some upgrades after 21 years since it was constructed.

Supervisor Fagan thanked Fire Company President **Kate Tylutki** for giving the information on the new insurance required for fire department volunteers for help in preparing the Budget. He added that the Town would probably not be able to give a 10% raise every year, but it was needed this time to catch them up. There was no one else present to speak for or against the Contract. The Hearing was closed at 7:05 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

The communication listed on the Agenda is filed in the Town Clerk's Office and is available to anyone who wishes to see it.

UPDATE FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Councilman Korona reported for Buildings that custodian Robert Nolan is back to work following knee surgery.

Supervisor Fagan stated that NYMIR has listed the parking lot as a risk that must be fixed. He will put it in the Budget for next year for paving, and ask Highway Superintendent, **David Dopp**, to get estimates for the project.

Councilman Lewandowski read the **Dog Control Officer's** Report, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes. There were eight complaints, one impound, six dogs at large, one dog attack, and a total of six dogs with no license.

Dog Control Officer, Joseph Passino stated that he felt that the Town pays too much for shelter services to the James A. Brennan Memorial Shelter. He spoke with the Montgomery County SPCA, and they quoted him a cost \$700.00 less than Brennan. He states that they have more room to hold strays at the SPCA, and he likes the way they handle the paperwork better. He would like the Town Board to consider changing the contract for shelter services to the SPCA.

Councilman Betz read the **Assessor's Report**, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes. All of the Senior STAR renewals are printed, but due to a glitch in the RPS system the mandatory IVP forms did not print along with the renewals. The Assessor is working on getting them printed so the renewals can be sent out.

Highway Superintendent, David Dopp, reported for his department that they are done with the ditching and everything is good. He still has a little more sand to haul to prepare for the winter months. The bucket truck that was recently purchased is bigger than what they had. It was just inspected and passed.

Supervisor Fagan stated that the County Budget will be presented at the next Board meeting. When it is completed they hope it will be under the tax cap. Sales tax is up for the year. There have been many solar projects in the County.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Pauline Dominiak of Voorhees Road has a complaint about the property next door to her having multiple unlicensed vehicles on it. Supervisor Fagan stated that he would speak to Code Enforcement Officer, Mark Concilla, about this problem.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION # 87- AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF A BUCKET TRUCK

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the purchase of a 2004 GMC 7500 BKT from Upstate Auto Sales Inc. at a price of \$13,570.00, and transfer the amount of \$2270.00 from Account DA 5110.4 General Repairs Contractual and the amount of \$2800.00 from Account DA 5110.41 Road Striping Contractual to Account DA5130.2 Highway Equipment.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski
Seconded by: Councilman Korona

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 88- ADOPT FINAL BUDGET FOR 2019

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth adopts the Town of Perth 2019 Preliminary Budget inserting the changes made by the Town Board in the Public Hearing on the Budget which were removing the bucket truck from the Highway Department, and adding paving the driveway at the Town Hall as the Town of Perth 2019 Final Budget.

Offered by: Councilman Korona
Seconded by: Councilman Betz

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 89-ADOPT THE FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth adopts the 2019 Fire Contract with the Perth Volunteer Fire Company Inc. in the amount of \$211,200.00.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski
Seconded by: Councilman Korona

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 90- AUTHORIZE SIGNING THE LANDFILL USE CONTRACT

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the signing of the Landfill Use Contract with Fulton County solid Waste for 2019.

Offered by: Councilman Betz
Seconded by: Councilman Lewandowski

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 91- AUTHORIZE CONTRACT FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the contract with Atlantic Contracting in the amount of \$6,800.00 for removal of asbestos in the Grange Building prior to demolition, and the transfer of the amount of \$6,800.00 from account A1990.4 Contingent to account A8989.4 Demolition of Buildings.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski
Seconded by: Councilman Korona

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

RESOLUTION #92- AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of bills on abstract #11-2018 as follows:

Prepaid	122-133	\$12,763.62
Highway	93-102	\$23,159.04
General	249-264	\$8,750.48

Offered by: Councilman Korona

Seconded by: Councilman Betz

Each Councilman indicated their approval by signing each voucher.

A vote was taken with the Supervisor and all of the Councilmen present voting in favor; motion carried.

With all of the business concluded for the evening a motion was made at 7:25 p.m. by Councilman Lewandowski and seconded by Councilman Korona to close the Meeting; all were in favor: Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Perth will be held on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the town Hall Complex, 1849 County Highway 107, Perth N.Y.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith English
Perth Town Clerk