

**TOWN OF PERTH**

Regular Town Board Meeting

October 4, 2018

6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Fagan, Councilman Korona, Councilman Lewandowski, and Councilman Kowalczyk.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Town Clerk, Judith English; Highway Superintendent, David Dopp; Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Esq.; Dog Control Officer, Joseph Passino, Town of Perth Highway Employee, Daniel Austro; and Rebecca Dopp.

Supervisor Fagan opened the Meeting at 6:30 p.m. A salute to the flag was held, and a moment of silent prayer observed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the September 6, 2018 Regular Town Board Meeting were offered for approval by Councilman Betz, and seconded by Councilman Lewandowski. All were in favor; motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The communications as listed on the Agenda are filed in the Town Clerk's Office where they are available to anyone who wishes to see them.

Letter B, the questionnaire sent by NYMIR re their recent safety inspection was gone over by Supervisor Fagan and Highway Superintendent, David Dopp. The recommendations were answered and will be sent back to NYMIR.

**UPDATE FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Councilman Korona** reported for **Buildings** that **Joe Passino** replaced the door on the red barn in the Town Park. Also the Highway Department came and unclogged the drain at the Town Hall Complex that drains the north end of the parking lot and that extends over the bank.

**Supervisor Fagan** reported that he hopes to have the driveway at the Town Hall Complex paved next year.

**Councilman Kowalczyk** stated that he would talk to Crane Sealcoating about doing the Town of Perth basketball court at the Town Park. The court gets a lot of use from residents, and the Perth Youth Commission.

**Councilman Lewandowski** read the **Dog Control Officer's** Report. There was a total of two complaints, two dogs at large, one impound and one dead chicken.

**Councilman Betz** read the **Assessor's Report** a copy of which will be filed with these minutes. The Assessor reports that all of the transfers are in, and we are in good shape for Tax Bill printing in December.

**Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Esq.** reported that Town Supervisor, Greg Fagan, did not get in touch with him to go over the Town's Drug and Alcohol policy. Supervisor Fagan stated that it was his thought that Attorney Greco was to call him about a meeting. Hopefully they will get together before the next Town Board Meeting.

**Councilman Kowalczyk** reported for the **Highway Department** that Truck #5 a 2007 IH Cummings Motor 10 wheeler has to have repairs done with an estimated cost of \$6,000.00. **Highway Superintendent, David Dopp** stated that he hopes the truck will last the winter. **Superintendent Dopp** stated that he does not believe that the State will be providing extra CHIPS money in 2019 to help out with paving.

**Supervisor Dopp** also said that he needs a dozer to use on the sand pile at the Highway garage. H& M charges \$380.00 a day to rent one. He is positive that he can do the job in one day.

**Supervisor Fagan** suggested that he could borrow a dozer from the County to do this work. **Superintendent Dopp** stated that he called the County Waste Department to inquire about borrowing one for a day. They told him that last year they loaned one to a Town and something happened to it, so they no longer loan it out. **Supervisor Fagan** told him to check with the County Highway Department to see if they have one he can use.

**Highway Superintendent, David Dopp**, related that the part time helper worked out really well. **Supervisor Fagan** told him that the Highway Department could probably hire him back come January to assist with the garbage pickup, so they will have an extra man available for plowing and sanding. He went on to say that having this part-time helper would probably cut down on overtime.

**Supervisor Fagan** stated that the County is in full swing working on the 2019 Budget. The Supervisors feel that they are beginning at a better place than last year.

He predicts that the Town of Perth 2019 Budget will stay under the State Mandated Cap. The Highway Budget will go up and the General Budget will decrease. This is due to an accounting change in the AUD.(Annual Update Document) If the Budget is accepted as is, taxes will go up one cent per thousand dollars of assessment.

Town Employees were given an across the board 2 1/2 % raise for 2019, excluding the Highway Department which has its own contract with the Town. He also mentioned that the cost of Workman's Compensation is going up approximately 17% for next year.

The Perth Volunteer Fire Company is getting what it asked for in the 2019 Budget, which is a 10% increase in funding. This is due to a new mandate from the State regarding insurance called the "New York State Volunteer Firefighter Enhanced Cancer Disability Benefits Act" which will require the Fire Company to insure each firefighter who is currently or was an interior-qualified firefighter for at least five years.

This insurance coverage shall provide monetary payment to assist a firefighter diagnosed with cancer as a result of the numerous carcinogenic materials they are exposed to in the line of duty.

Supervisor Fagan went over the 2019 Budget line by line with the Town Board Members. There were no corrections mentioned so the Tentative Budget will become the Preliminary Budget.

**RESOLUTION # 81- AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF SECURITY SERVICES**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the renewal of the security services and warranty on the Town's SonicWALL to extend the services for 2 years. This will be done by Doug Teresco of USM Solutions at a cost of \$574.00 to be charged to Account 1650.4 Communications Contractual.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski

Seconded by: Councilman Kowalczyk

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

**RESOLUTION # 82- AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A FAX/COPY MACHINE**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the purchase of a brother multifunction printer from Seely Conover at a cost of \$312.99 for the Highway garage to be charged to Account A5132.2 Garage Equipment, and authorize the transfer of the amount of \$312.99 from account A5132.4 Garage Contractual to account A5132.2 Garage Equipment.

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 # 83- ADOPT PRELIMINARY 2019 TOWN BUDGET**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth adopts the 2019 Tentative Budget as the 2019 Town of Perth Preliminary Budget.

Offered by: Councilman Korona

Seconded by: Councilman Lewandowski

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

**RESOLUTION # 84-** SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR BUDGET

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth schedules a Public Hearing for Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 6:35 p.m. on the 2019 Town of Perth Preliminary Budget at the Town Hall Complex, 1849 County Highway 107 Perth, NY.

Offered by: Councilman Korona  
Seconded by: Councilman Lewandowski

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

**RESOLUTION #85-** SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2019 FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth schedules a Public Hearing for Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 6:40 p.m. regarding the Fire Protection Contract for 2019 with the Perth Volunteer Fire Company.

Offered by: Councilman Betz  
Seconded by: Councilman Kowalczyk

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

**RESOLUTION # 86** AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON ABSTRACT #10-2018

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of bills on abstract #10 as follows:

Prepaid	110-121	\$16,494.94
Highway	81-92	\$19,155.46
General	225-248	\$14,019.40

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski  
Seconded by: Councilman Kowalczyk

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 7:45 p.m. by Councilman Lewandowski, and seconded by Councilman Betz 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, November 1, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall Complex, 1849 County Highway 107, Perth N.Y.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith English  
Perth Town Clerk