

TOWN OF PERTH

Regular Town Board Meeting

June 6, 2019

1:00 a.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Town Clerk, Judith English; Budget Officer, Patricia Herba; Deputy Town Clerk, Joseph McCoski; Highway Superintendent, David Dopp; and Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Esq.

Supervisor Fagan opened the Meeting at 1:03 p.m. A salute to the flag was held and a moment of silent prayer was observed. Supervisor Fagan asked the people present to remember the family of Councilman Walt Kowalczyk who recently passed away.

After being elected to the Town Council in 1965 Councilman Kowalczyk served in that capacity until he died. He is believed to be the longest serving official in New York State. Councilman Kowalczyk was a fixture at the Town Hall. He visited daily always asking if he could be of any help. He was also the groundskeeper and took great pride in keeping the machinery in good order. He will be sorely missed by all of the Town of Perth employees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the Regular Town Board Meeting held on May 2, 2019 were offered for approval by Councilman Lewandowski and seconded by Councilman Betz. 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. There were no late communications.

UPDATE FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Councilman Korona reported for **Buildings** that the outside water fountain leaks. It has to get fixed before the Youth Commission begins on July 1st. The air conditioners at the Town Hall Complex have been cleaned and inspected for the summer months.

The phone system was recently not working at the Town Hall Complex. It was discovered that the battery backup was not working. It has been fixed, but there is still a problem with the caller ID.

Deputy Town Clerk, Joe McCoski asked if the Town knew whether the well located on the old Grange property was a drilled or a hand dug one. He recalls seeing a pump attached to the well. This will make a difference in how it is handled in the future.

Supervisor Fagan asked **Town Clerk, Judith English**, if the Custodian had cleaned up the water in the records storage room. She stated that he had cleaned it up but it is back again; more water than before. There was discussion as to where the water is coming from. The Code Enforcement Officer will be instructed to take a look at the situation, and the Highway Superintendent will also see if he can determine what the problem is.

Councilman Lewandowski read the report from the **Perth Youth Commission Recreation Director, Lisa Wallace**, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes. Ms. Wallace stated that there have been 60 children signed up for the Summer Program at the first night for sign-ups. There will be another night scheduled for sign-ups.

The cutoff number this year will be 115 children as the average attendance with that number of enrollees will work with our staff/child ratio. Camp runs from July 1st to August 9th. The Town of Broadalbin will not be having any Youth Commission summer camp again this year, which means that the Town of Perth will have more kids signing up for our program.

Councilman Betz reported that the Memorial Day Program was the best ever. Supervisor Fagan agreed. **Councilman Betz** also wished to thank **Pastor Mark Appell** of the Perth Bible Church for his assistance in setting up for the program.

Councilman Betz read the May **Assessor's Report** a copy of which will be filed with these minutes. There were a total of three grievances. One was an assessment challenge, one was a reduction due to the removal of a building, and the last one was an exemption reinstatement. Now the final assessment roll will be completed for filing on July 1, 2019.

Highway Superintendent, David Dopp, reported that they are working on ditching and mowing. He is also planning on working on the retaining wall at the Town Hall Complex.

Superintendent Dopp stated that he would like to take the old bucket truck to auction, and get whatever he could for it. He also stated that he would hold off paving the Town Hall driveway, and the landscaping around the Town Hall Complex until the Youth Commission Summer Camp is finished on August 9th.

Town Attorney, Carmel Greco Esq., reported that the Town's legal business is up to date. He stated that he is exploring all options available to the Town as far as replacing Councilman Kowalczyk who passed away on May 14, 2019. Supervisor Fagan asked him to find out from the Fulton County Board of Elections if the Town can appoint someone to fill the vacancy until 01/01/2020 or if the seat can be left vacant until the next election cycle.

Supervisor Fagan reported that the Annual Update Document which covers the year 2018 for the Town of Perth has been filed with the New York State Comptroller's Office. A copy of this report is filed in the Town's Minutes Book.

Superintendent Fagan also reported that he had a conversation with the Town's Insurance Carrier, Jankowski Agency Inc. about whether alcohol should be permitted on the Town of Perth premises. The Town Board agreed to think about this question, and defer a decision until a later time.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION # 74- AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FOR BUS TRIP

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of the amount of \$825.00 to Brown Coach for the Perth Seniors bus trip to Chatham, NY for lunch at the Whitestone Café, and a show at the Mac Haydn Theater to be charged to Account A6772.4 Programs for Aging.

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 # 75- ESTABLISH STANDARD WORK DAY FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED TOWN EMPLOYEES

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth enacts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, by its regulation NYCRR 315.4, the Office of the State Comptroller requires municipalities to establish a standard work day for each elective or appointed official who participates in the New York State and Local Employees Retirement System, now be it hereby

RESOLVED, for the purpose of determining days worked, no fewer than six (6) hours for part-time officials or more than eight (8) hours for full time officials shall be established as a standard workday; and be it further

RESOLVED commencing the start of a new term, elected and appointed officials keep a three (3) month record of work activities to be completed within 150 days and those records shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Board no later than 180 days from taking office; and be it further

RESOLVED the Clerk of the Board will post this resolution on the Town website, or on the official sign board at the Town Complex for a minimum of thirty days; and be it further:

RESOLVED that a certified copy of the Resolution, and an affidavit of posting shall be filed by the clerk of the Governing Board with the Office of the State Comptroller within forty-five (45) days of the adoption of the Resolution.

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 # 76- AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO PERTH CEMETERY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of the amount of \$500.00 to the Perth Cemetery Association, to be charged to Account A8810.4 Cemeteries Contractual.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski
Seconded by: Councilman Betz

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

RESOLUTION # 77- AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FOR MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of the amount of \$300.00 for the Town of Perth Memorial Day Ceremony and for the flags to be placed on the graves of the Veterans buried in the Perth Cemetery, to be paid to the American Legion Post #337; to be charged to Account A7550.4 Celebrations Contractual.

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 # 78- AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF MONEY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the transfer of the amount of \$340.00 from Account A1990.4 Contingent to Account A1910.4 Unallocated Insurance.

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 # 79- AUTHORIZE SIGNING OF PLANNING SERVICES AGREEMENT

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the Supervisor to sign a Planning Services Agreement with the Fulton County Planning Department for 2020 in the amount of \$5,000.00

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 # 80- AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF MONEY

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the transfer of the amount of \$15,000.00 from Account DA5110.4 General Repairs Contractual to Account DA5130.4 Machinery Contractual.

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 #81- SET JULY TOWN BOARD MEETING

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth sets Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. for the Regular Town Board Meeting for the July 2019 Meeting.

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski

Seconded by: Councilman Betz

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

RESOLUTION # 82- AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON ABSTRACT #6-2019

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Perth authorizes the payment of bills on abstract #6-2019 as follows:

Prepaid	56-69	\$10,650.49
Prepaid Highway	14-16	\$5,503.88
Highway	51-58	\$13,204.59
General	117-147	\$18,120.28

Offered by: Councilman Lewandowski

Seconded by: Councilman Korona

Each Councilman present 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 1:57 p.m. to close the Meeting by Councilman Lewandowski and seconded by Councilman Betz. All were in favor; motion carried.

The next meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Perth will be held on Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Complex 1849 County Highway 107, Perth, N.Y.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith English
Perth Town Clerk