

TOWN OF MARCELLUS
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
November 18, 2020

A Workshop Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Karen R. Pollard, Supervisor
John Cusick, Councilor
Terry Hoey, Councilor
Tammy Sayre, Councilor

Absent: Laurie Stevens, Councilor

Also, present: Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, Karen Cotter, Sandy Elsey, Susan Dennis, Deputy Town Clerk and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Supervisor Pollard opened the meeting at 5:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Abstract of Audited Vouchers: The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #11 as of November 17, 2020. Claim #'s 151281-151324, 151332-151337.

| | <u>Expenses</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund | \$21,019.67 |
| Part Town General | 1,101.79 |
| Town Wide Highway | 10,746.88 |
| Part Town Highway | 1,070.55 |
| Fire District | 458.00 |
| Trust & Agency | 879.54 |
| Total | \$35,276.43 |

Insurance Bills to be paid on November 19, 2020:

| <u>Voucher</u> | <u>Vendor</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 151338 | Excellus BC/BS | \$19,834.09 |
| 151339 | Excellus BC/BS | 653.40 |
| Total | | \$20,487.49 |

Councilor Sayre made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to approve the Abstract of Audited Vouchers dated November 17, 2020 along with the two vouchers that will be paid on November 19, 2020.

Ayes – Pollard, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Demo Project – SE Townline Road: Supervisor Pollard stated that this house has finally been demolished. There is still a lot of trash in the yard. John Houser, Codes Officer, was not here to give more information on this project. An update on this project will be on the agenda for the December 2, 2020 meeting

Paper Mill Fence: John Houser, Codes Officer, is not here to give an update. This will be on the agenda for the December 2, 2020 meeting. Supervisor Pollard hasn't heard anything on it.

Comprehensive Plan Grant Information: The Town Board received information from the County regarding the grant for the Comprehensive Plan. In reviewing it, the county sent a draft RFP (Request for Proposal) that they will use for solicitation of consultant services. The Town can use their RFP or solicit on our own. Supervisor Pollard suggests that we move ahead with revamping our Comprehensive Plan as it is about 20 years old. Councilor Cusick made a motion seconded by Councilor Sayre to authorize Supervisor Pollard to sign the Grant Disbursement Agreement once it has been presented to the Planning Board and with Jim Gascon's (Town Attorney) approval.

Ayes – Pollard, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Comprehensive Insurance – Reagan's Insurance: Supervisor Pollard received the Worker's Compensation 1/1/2021 renewal for the Town. This is from Comp Alliance and the good news is that the premium will be dropping from the current price of \$94,932 to \$83,855. Comp Alliance has agreed to a two- year term with the same contribution amount. Councilor Hoey made a motion seconded by Councilor Sayre to authorize Supervisor Pollard to sign the Workers Compensation Renewal for two years at a cost of \$83,855 per year.

Ayes – Pollard, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

Shared Service Agreement with Department of Transportation: After a review of this Agreement and talking with Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, it was decided that no action would be taken with this Agreement.

Agreement with OCRRA: Councilor Cusick made a motion second by Councilor Hoey to waive the conflict of interest on this agreement as Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, drafted this for OCRRA.

Ayes – Pollard, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

After some discussion with Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, the Town Does not haul any trash to OCRRA so therefore the Town does not have to take any action on it. The agreement is for the Haulers who haul trash right to OCRRA and what they have to do.

Lake Country Vet. Clinic: The Town received a letter from Lake Country Veterinary Clinic stated that they no longer want to be the local dog control shelter. After some discussion, Supervisor Pollard stated that she would call Marcellus Vet to inquire about them being our dog control shelter.

General Code (added item): The Town received an Estimate from General Codes to update the Local Laws that have been passed since August 2019. The estimated cost will be between \$770 and \$910 which will include shipping and handling to send to the Town the updates. Councilor Sayre made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to authorize Supervisor Pollard to sign the estimate for General Codes.

Ayes - Pollard, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Town Hall: Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk, gave an update on how many ballot requests have gone out and how many have been returned. The Board of Elections should be sending the labels for the Permanent Disabled Voters within a day or two. As soon as they come, the ballots will go out to those people.

Supervisor Pollard requests an Attorney/Client meeting when the Workshop Meeting is adjourned.

Adjournment: Councilor Cusick made a motion seconded by Councilor Hoey to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 6:25 pm.

Ayes – Pollard, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Taylor
Town Clerk