

Minutes

Town of Persia Regular Board Meeting

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

April 14, 2016

Supervisor Paula Schueler calls meeting to order at 7:00PM.

*Everyone stands for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call:

Supervisor: Paula Schueler: present

Highway Superintendent: Daniel Ackley: present

Councilperson: John Walgus: present

Councilperson: Theresa Girome: present

Councilperson: Gloria Tomaszewski: present

Councilperson: Robert Dingman: present

Town Clerk: Denise Trumpore: present

Others present:

Hon. Arnold Andolsek

Legislature Richard Klancer

Jack Broyles

Official Reports of Department Heads:

Supervisor Paula Schueler: *I have processed payroll. * I ask the bills for abstract #4 for General and Highway be approved by resolution.* I ask the Supervisors report for March be accepted by resolution. *I need a resolution to accept the financial report for March.* Attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting on March 28th. * Attended the Supervisors meeting on April 7th. * I will be taking a webinar on April 27th on "Fraud Prevention and Detection" * I

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am meeting with an appraiser from NIMIR, he has to have a site visit of the Town hall and highway garage. * March 12th I attended the "Spring Ahead" dinner and jazz event at the Hollywood; it was very nice. The Hollywood theater will be celebrating their 90th birthday on April 19th, Gowanda students will be showing their artwork on the 29th and on June 3-5th will be the Hollywood Happening. Another event coming up on May 26 -29th is "Rediscovering Gowanda" which used to be called "Pioneer Days". * I sent Bahgat & Bahgat information for the AUD report. * I filled out a 2017 Government Units Survey for the US Census Bureau. * I wrote to the Dept. of Public Services that I'm not in favor of the increase in rates for NYSEG. * Judge Schindler accepted the resignation of Court Clerk Darlene Mamosser and hired Cheryl Matern to replace her effective April 1st. * We are looking for a Board of Review member as Joe Herman has moved out of Persia. * I would like a resolution to have a work session on May 12th at 6:00pm to discuss the public hearing.

Highway Superintendent Daniel Ackley: *read highway bills. * I will be oil & stoning Maple Hill Road (2 miles) and .4 miles of Point Peter Road. * Starting May 25th highway will be replacing 6 culverts on Persia Road. * Senator Young's office called to obtain receipts from the 2015 flood to see if we can recoup any of the money.

Councilperson John Walgus: * I will check with Meals on Wheels and the Library on how we can give a donation.

Councilperson Theresa Girome: * The Comprehensive Planning Committee met on March 28th; we worked on our vision statement. John stated that GARC will be putting up signs for hunters and fishermen at the Gateway Park having the regulations listed. * The next Comprehensive meeting will be on April 25th and Paul Bishop from Cattaraugus County will give a talk and answer any questions.

Councilperson Gloria Tomaszewski: *I attended the Farmer/Neighbor dinner on April 13th; there were 325 people in attendance.

Councilperson Robert Dingman: * In regards to the corridor project; John and I met last month and met with the Mayor, we are building a political block of people representing various communities in the Southtowns. We will be meeting with the IDA director next week to push this along. * The investment firm CAI has sent brand new covered hoppers for the

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railroad to store; right now they do not have a buyer, they are set up to carry plastic pellets and have a value of \$100,000 apiece.

Assessor Mary Bailey: * I finally received gas well rates; they are down 23% from last year. Also, Texas Keystone, which has approximately 100 gas wells in Persia, sold all their wells to NYS Empire Energy.

Town Clerk Denise Trumpore: * I went to a Cattaraugus County Clerks meeting on March 16th; I learned that Cattaraugus County is 3rd in New York State for organ donors. * I collected \$1,283, 663.83 in taxes for 2016; there is \$176,300.20 in unpaid taxes sent back to the County.

Total transactions for March: 89

Total Collected: \$ 1195.00

Towns Portion: \$ 585.38

RESOLUTION #26 Audit of Claims

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

The following was

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Tomaszewski, Girome, Walgus, Dingman, Schueler

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the bills contained on abstracts #4 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Abstract 4 – General vouchers # 68 to # 88 Total = \$ 16,998.33

Abstract 4 – Highway vouchers # 22 to # 31 Total = \$ 3,064.74

RESOLUTION #27 Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

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ADOPTED AYES – 5 Girome, Dingman, Tomaszewski, Walgus, Schuler

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED that the minutes from March 10, 2016 are approved

RESOLUTION #28 Supervisors report

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Walgus

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Girome, Walgus, Tomaszewski, Dingman, Schueler

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the Supervisors report for March 2016

RESOLUTION #29 Financial Report

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Walgus

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Tomaszewski, Walgus, Girome, Dingman, Schueler

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the financial report for March 2016.

RESOLUTION #30 to have a work session to discuss the public hearing on May 12th at 6:00pm.

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Walgus, Tomaszewski, Girome, Dingman, Schueler

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a work session to discuss the public hearing on May 12th at 6pm.

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With no further business, and hearing no objection

the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Trumpore

Town Clerk