

Minutes

Town of Persia Regular Board Meeting

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

December 15, 2016

End of year Workshop 6:30pm

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

Gowanda Press: Phil Palen

Mark Hojnacki

Jack Broyles

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Official Reports of Department Heads:

Supervisor Paula Schueler: * I have processed payroll. * I ask the bills for Abstract #12 for General and Highway be approved by resolution. * I ask the Supervisors report for November be accepted by resolution. * I need a resolution to accept the financial report for November. * I need a resolution for budget transfers. * I received a letter from the assessor stating that the NYS Comptroller's office has done an audit on a town in Ulster County for their tax exemptions they give on properties. * I have the 2016 foreclosure listing if anyone wishes to see it. * I attended a Zoning & Planning meeting on November 21st. * I attended a Comprehensive Plan meeting on November 28th. * We had the "Christmas in Gowanda" on December 2nd and 3rd; everyone had a great time and we ran out of cookies. Thank-you all who helped. * I would like to have a resolution to issue a proclamation commemorating January 22 – 28, 2017 as Town of Persia School Choice Week; it will be read at next months meeting.

Highway Superintendent Daniel Ackley: *Read highway bills.

Councilperson John Walgus: * I ask we have a workshop to review on January 12th at 6:30. * Bob Dingman and I wrote a letter in support of the Brownfield Assessment Project grant application. * Bob and I also went to the Buffalo Common Council to talk with them about the railroad corridor project. *

Councilperson Theresa Girome: * We had a Comprehensive Plan meeting on November 28th and everything is moving along, the next meeting will be January 24th at 6:30pm.

Councilperson Gloria Tomaszewski: *I attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting on November 28th. *I attended the Gowanda Ambulance meeting; they are in the process of getting the third ambulance registered and equipped. * I attended the presentation by William Gugino for the new ambulance building on Aldrich Street. * December 3rd was the "Christmas in Gowanda" celebration; we past out cookies and hot chocolate. I heard positive remarks on the parade and fireworks, some people thought the stores should have been open longer on Saturday.

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Councilperson Robert Dingman: * I attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting. * John and I went to the Town of Eden Board meeting last night asking for support in the railroad corridor; which we got. * The "Christmas in Gowanda " was not as well attended as last year; we did complete the first paint job on the Depot and ask everyone to come take a look at It as we are very happy with it. * I feel the Chamber of Commerce is getting better and their financial results were very good.

Assessor Mary Bailey: *All Enhanced STAR, Senior STAR, Agricultural renewals and income verification postcards were mailed on Monday, December 5th. The deadline to return all exemption applications is March 1st 2017.

Town Clerk Denise Trumpore: *

Total transactions for November: 91

Total Collected: \$ 2,451.00

Towns Portion: \$ 562.13

* I ask the minutes from November 10th be accepted by resolution.

RESOLUTION #93 Audit of Claims

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

The following wa

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

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the bills contained on abstracts #12 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Abstract 12 – General vouchers # 223 to #244 Total = \$ 24,904.92

Abstract 12 – Highway vouchers #97 to #104 Total = \$ 1,535.29

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RESOLUTION #94 Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

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

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED that the minutes from November 10, 2016 are approved

RESOLUTION #95 Supervisors report

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

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

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the Supervisors report for November 2016

RESOLUTION #96 Financial Report

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

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

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the financial report for November 2016.

RESOLUTION #97 Budget Transfers

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

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

NAYS - 0

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RESOLVED to transfer \$50 from A9010.8 – Employees Benefits – State Retirement to A1110.1B – Court Officer – Personal Services, \$50 from A9010.8 – Employee Benefits – State Retirement to A6410.4 – Publicity – Contractual, \$680 from A9010.8 – Employee Benefits – State Retirement to A1355.4 – Assessor – Contractual, \$25 from B9010.8 – Employee Benefits – State Retirement to B9030.8 – Employee Benefits – Social Security, \$1,000 from DA5130.1 – Machinery – Personal Services to DA5130.4 – Machinery – Contractual, \$289 from DB9010.8 – Employee Benefits – State Retirement to DB5110.4 – General Repairs – Contractual, \$159 from DB9060.8 – Employee Benefits – Hospital & Medical to DB5110.4 – General Repairs – Contractual, \$4,500 from DB5110.1 – General Repairs – Personal Services to DB5110.4 – General Repairs – Contractual.

RESOLUTION #98 School Choice Week

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman

Seconded by Councilperson Walgus

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

NAYS –

RESOLVED WHEREAS, all children in the Town of Persia should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Persia recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in the Town of Persia to be successful adults; and,

WHEREAS, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of the Town of Persia; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Persia is home to a multitude of excellent education options from which parents can choose for their children; and,

WHEREAS, education variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and,

WHEREAS, our area has many high-quality teaching professionals who are committed to educating our children; and,

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WHEREAS , School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paula Schueler do hereby recognize January 22-28, 2017 as the Town of Persia SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

RESOLUTION #99 Review Workshop

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

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

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a Review Workshop on January 12, 2017 at 6:30pm.

With no further business, and hearing no objection

the meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Trumpore

Town Clerk

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