

## Minutes

### Town of Persia Regular Board Meeting

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

March 10, 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

Observer: Rebecca Cuthbert

Paul Bowers

#### Official Reports of Department Heads:

**Supervisor Paula Schueler:** \*I have processed payroll. \* I ask the bills for abstract #3 for General and Highway be approved by resolution.\* I ask the Supervisors report for February

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be accepted by resolution. \*I need a resolution to accept the financial report for February.\* I spoke with Mel Shaw; he said the cell tower is up. \* Received a letter from Computel regarding the Time Warner franchise agreement we have with them; there was no discrepancies. The 5<sup>th</sup> annual Farmer Neighbor Dinner will be on April 13<sup>th</sup>; If anyone is interested it is \$20 per person. \* I received a proposal from Unifirst; it would be \$59 per month for the rugs we get now, or \$41 per month if we go with just the three 4x4 rugs. \* I attended a work session at the Village Hall on March 8<sup>th</sup> about fiber optics in the rural areas which will allow rural customers to have internet services. \* The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference at Houghton College will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup>; if anyone is interested in going they will need to fill out a form and turn it in to Denise. \* NYMIR wants to send out a cyber insurance representative to talk with the board.

**Highway Superintendent Daniel Ackley:** \*read highway bills. \* I have not found any used self-propelled sweepers to buy so I am going to rent a broom to clean the streets. Next month I will be making a recommendation to purchase a new sweeper. \* Just got back from the conference in Albany; It was informative.

**Councilperson John Walgus:** \* I invited the Village to attend our next Comprehensive Plan meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>; the mayor indicated the village may want to go in a joint plan.\* I attended the meeting about fiber optics given by DFT Communications; one of the main things they talked about was cell phone and internet in rural areas. \* I would like to have a resolution to have the abstracts ready to review on the Tuesday before the board meeting. \* I attended the IDA public hearing on the 49 South Water PILOT; they will vote on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Councilperson Theresa Girome:** \* The first Comprehensive Plan meeting was held here on February 22<sup>nd</sup>; discussion was had as to what the plan is, what goals and strategies were to be implement for the town between now and the next 5 – 10 year period. By doing a plan it may make it easier to obtain grant money in the future. The next meeting will be on March 28<sup>th</sup>, also Paul Bishop from Catt. Co. planning dept. will be at the April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting, any Planning and Zoning members who attend will receive an hour credit.

**Councilperson Gloria Tomaszewski:** \* I attended the Comprehensive Plan on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. \* I attended the “Rediscovering Gowanda” meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup>; with about 35 people in attendance they are hoping to generate more business in Gowanda. They are trying to bring back the Pioneer Days sidewalk sales and carnival. \* I would like to make a resolution for

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Judge Andolsek to attend the Magistrates conference in the fall. \* I would like to make a resolution for the courts to apply for the JCAP grant.

**Councilperson Robert Dingman:** \* I attended the "Rediscovering Gowanda" meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup>. \* John and I met with Mary Bailey and she will reduce the assessment of 42 Jamestown Street by \$25,000. \* None of the passenger and freight rail grants were awarded yet so there is still a possibility for us. \* There will be Peter Cottontail railroad rides on the 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> of March.

**Assessor Mary Bailey:** \* It was a hectic month with deadline for exemptions. I am busy processing all the exemptions and beginning road work.

**Town Clerk Denise Trumpore:** \*

Total transactions for February: 84

Total Collected: \$ 1031.00

Towns Portion: \$ 406.50

\* Just to remind everyone that taxes are due by March 31<sup>st</sup>, after that date they will have to be paid at the County. \* There will be a rabies clinic at the Cattaraugus County DPW garage in Little Valley on May 7<sup>th</sup> from 9 to noon.

## **RESOLUTION #19 Audit of Claims**

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

The following was

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

NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED that the bills contained on abstracts #3 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:  
Abstract 3 - General vouchers # 51 to # 67 Total = \$ 6,981.67**

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**Abstract 3 - Highway vouchers # 18 to # 20 Total = \$ 551.74**

**RESOLUTION #20 Approval of Minutes**

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

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

NAYS - 0

**RESOLVED that the minutes from February 11, 2016**

**RESOLUTION #21 Supervisors report**

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

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

NAYS - 0

**RESOLVED to accept the Supervisors report for February 2016**

**RESOLUTION #22 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 February 2016.**

**RESOLUTION #23 JCAP grant**

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

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

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NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED for the courts to apply for the JCAP grant.**

**RESOLUTION #24 Abstract cut-off**

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED      AYES – 4 Walgus, Tomaszewski, Girome, Dingman

NAYS – 1 Schueler

**RESOLUTION #25 Magistrates Conference**

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

ADOPTED      AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Girome, Dingman, Schueler

NAYS – 1 Walgus

**RESOLVED for Judge Andolsek to attend the Magistrates Conference in the fall.**

With no further business, and hearing no objection

the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Trumpore

Town Clerk

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