

Minutes

Town of Persia Regular Board Meeting

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

August 10, 2017

Budget 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:

Cattaraugus County Legislature Paula Stockman

Building Inspector- Mel Shaw

Gowanda Free Library – Cathy Walsh

St. Joseph's Church – Father Joe Porpiglia

Gowanda Press – Phil Palen

Jack Broyles

Mark Hojnacki

Village Trustee – Wanda Koch

Cattaraugus County Jail – Captain Eric Keller, Paul Nelson,

Tanya Ingersoll, Brandon Crouse, Sal Seitz

Supervisor Paula Schueler: * I have processed payroll. * I ask the bills for Abstract #8 for General and Highway be approved by resolution. * I ask the Supervisors report for July be accepted by resolution. * I need a resolution to accept the financial report for July. * I heard from Joseph Pillittere concerning the speed limit on Broadway Road; they are doing another

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traffic study. * I wrote a letter to Crystal Abers in support of the GARC application for Catt. Co. Community Baseball Grant application for Zoar Valley Gateway Park. * I went to meetings for the shared services on July 6th, 18th and 27th; we will be voting on the initiative in September. * On July 17th I attended the Planning and Zoning meeting. * On July 24th I attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting. * We have been working on information regarding the end of Skinner Hollow Road; there may be a right of way there for a landowner, and if that's the case we could not put a fence there, and Mel Shaw is working on the other complaints that a citizen sent us. * I would like to have a budget workshop on August 25th at 2pm. * I would also like to have a budget meeting on September 14th at 6:00pm.

Highway Superintendent Daniel Ackley: * Read highway bills. * We are now in possession of the used tractor we bought from the Town of Collins.

Councilperson John Walgus: * I want to thank the Town Board for their letter of support to GARC on the Baseball grant, they were awarded \$7,200. * I attended the Community Connections meeting. * The City of Jamestown was awarded \$500,000 for the National Comedy Center ; that is where the Gateway Train Station is and hopefully where the Railway Corridor Project will head for.

Councilperson Theresa Girome: * We had a productive Comprehensive Planning meeting on July 24th. * The next Comprehensive Planning meeting will be on August 28th at 6:30 and we will have Mark Burr speaking.

Councilperson Gloria Tomaszewski: * I attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting on July 24th. * I attended an Ambulance Board meeting.

Councilperson Robert Dingman: * I want to thank everyone who attended tonight in regards to the opiate epidemic discussion; It was very informative. * I Attended the Community Connections meeting. * I met with the Erie County IDA director and Corey Wiktor in regards to the Railway Corridor Project.

Assessor Mary Bailey: * The County will be printing school bills next week. Here is some info from the 2017 final roll – 29 Sr. Citizen exemptions, 173 Enhanced STAR exemptions, 377 Basic STAR exemptions, 24 Agricultural exemptions, 54 alternative veterans exemptions (non combat), 50 alternative veterans exemptions (combat vet) ,21 veterans disability exemptions, 13 cold war veterans exemptions (10 year limit).

Building Inspector Mel Shaw: * I had one building permit for a house on Broadway Road. * I have visited all the properties that were listed in a letter from a concerned citizen; there were some small issues which the property owners said they would take care of.

Town Clerk Denise Trumpore: * I ask for a resolution to accept the minutes from July 13th.

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Total transactions for July: 108
Total Collected: \$ 2171.00
Towns Portion: \$ **561.53**

Public Participation

Gowanda Free Library – Cathy Walsh approached the board requesting a larger money donation from the Town in their 2018 budget. Matter was tabled to the next budget meeting.
Cattaraugus County Jail/Sheriffs Office - Members from the Cattaraugus County Sheriffs Office came in to talk about the opiate epidemic in the area. They have a confidential hotline which is 716-373-2773.

RESOLUTION #61 Audit of Claims

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman
Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski
The following was
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Dingman, Tomaszewski, Girome, Walgus, Schuler
NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the bills contained on abstracts #8 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:
Abstract 8 – General vouchers #144 to #163 Total = \$ 3,900.17
Abstract 8 – Highway vouchers # 47 to # 50 Total = \$ 5,081.68

RESOLUTION #62 Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman
Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Dingman, Tomaszewski, Girome, Walgus, Schueler
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED that the minutes from July 13, 2017 are approved.

RESOLUTION #63 Supervisors report

On a motion of Councilperson Walgus
Seconded by Councilperson Girome
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Walgus, Girome, Tomaszewski, Dingman
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the Supervisors report for July 2017.

RESOLUTION #64 Financial Report

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

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Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Tomaszewski, Dingman, Girome, Walgus, Schuler
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the financial report for July 2017

RESOLUTION #65 Budget workhop

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Dingman, Girome, Tomaszewski, Schuler
NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a budget workshop on August 25th at 2:00pm.

RESOLUTION #66 Budget 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 budget workshop on September 14, 2017 at 6:00pm

With no further business, and hearing no objection
the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Trumpore

Town Clerk