

REGULAR MEETING
July 14, 2020
(Clerks Minutes)

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lyndon, County of Cattaraugus and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 852 Lyndon Center Road, Cuba, New York on the 9th day of June 2020.

Present: Carol Evans ----- Supervisor
Barbara Montante ----- Councilwoman
Leonard Kaluzny Jr. ----- Councilman
Frank Puglisi ----- Clerk
George Schneider ----- Highway Superintendent

Absent: Clifford Evans ----- Councilman
Paul Knapic ----- Councilman

Attended by: Zoom was being used for the public to participate per Governor Cuomo's Executive Order.

Supervisor Evans called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:00 pm. Supervisor Evans asked for a moment of silence for Joe Brown who passed away and was a longtime resident of the town.

Correspondence -

Tractor Bids - Supervisor Evans stated that three sealed bids were received for the old Landini Tractor. Supervisor Evans opened the bids in front of everyone.

Bid 1: Ron Knight for \$3,500

Bid 2: Chris Amherine for \$2,000

Bid 3: Jeff Baker for \$3,010.01

Councilwoman Montante made a motion to accept the highest bid from Ron Knight for \$3,500 to sell the tractor. Councilman Kaluzny seconded the motion.

The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 (Evans, Montante, Kaluzny)
 Nays 0

Barbara Barnes Letter -

Supervisor Evans read a letter from Barbara Barnes regarding her road and the correspondence she received from the town. A detailed discussion took place by the board. Superintendent Schneider stated that they tried to widen the road 12 years ago and three residents stopped the process. Supervisor Evans stated that all board members have taken a ride down the road and Deputy Supervisor Montante will respond with a letter and go take a ride with the residents down the road as well.

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Public Comment -

None

Old Business -

Funding and Reopening Plans – Supervisor Evans stated that the reopening plans are continuing in the town. Clerk Puglisi state that he is going to continue with the original plan of two days a week and not reopen the third day.

Supervisor Evans stated that the Office of Court Administration is going to reimburse the town for the PPE that was purchased for the Court. She also stated that every board member has a copy of the State Comptrollers report regarding local sales tax which is down significantly along with articles about the fiscal challenges ahead for towns. She stated that the town needs to expect a loss of revenue. Supervisor Evans stated that for next years budget the tax cap has been set at 1.56% which will further compound the issue of funding. She stated the town as already agreed to not spend the 20% of CHIPS funds which hopefully will be restored and carried over for next year.

New Business -

Building Permits – Supervisor Evans stated that a resident recently had a fire and lost their home. She asked the Board to waive the building permit fee because of this horrific loss. She stated they will still have to get a permit and go through the proper procedure but would not have to pay. A detailed discussion took place by the board. Councilman Kaluzny made a motion to waive building permit fees. Councilwoman Montante seconded the motion. The following motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 (Evans, Kaluzny, Montante)
 Nays 0

Supervisor Report -

Supervisor Evans stated the Town has \$271,318.29 in the General and Highway Accounts and \$33,043.88 in the Tax Stabilization Account. She stated that she is working with Williamson Law Book and hopes to have the full reports out in the next two weeks. She also stated that she is working on the truck bond.

Clerk Report -

A detailed written report was given to the Board. Clerk Puglisi stated that he took in \$1,387.60 for June and paid out \$1,387.60, \$1099.66 to the Supervisor, \$47.24 to the DEC, \$1.00 to New York Ag and Markets and \$239.70 to the County DPW. Clerk Puglisi stated that after a week of working on the new DEC printer and doing the training he should be ready to sell hunting and fishing licenses.

Justice Report -

A detailed written report was given to the Board. Supervisor Evans stated the court although closed still per Office of Court Administration took in \$488.00 for the month.

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Highway Report -

Highway Superintendent Schneider gave a detailed report to the Board. Superintendent Schneider stated that the highway department got the box off the #4 truck and put it on the #7 truck because it is in better shape. He stated the #7 truck is the one the town is going to keep for at least 5 more years. He stated that he hired Harry MacElroy to replace Scott and that he is going to start as of July 16, 2020. Superintendent Schneider stated that they are going to mix pave South Center Road on Thursday and he is going to widen the hill so there is no accidents and they have extra room to push the snow drifts back. He stated that they are also working on mowing the sides of the roads.

Councilwoman Montante made a motion to pay Abstract 7 of the General Fund claims 72 thru 84 for \$2,909.49 and pay Abstract 7 of the Highway Fund, claims 55 thru 62 for \$7,211.91. Councilman Kaluzny seconded the motion.

The following motion was

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	(Evans, Montante, Kaluzny)
	Nays	0	

Superintendent Schneider stated that he is still working on getting quotes for the furnace because of the pandemic it has gotten hard to get anyone to come and give quotes. He will try and get them for the August meeting.

Being no further business or concerns Councilman Kaluzny made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Montante seconded the motion. All Ayes the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Puglisi
Lyndon Town Clerk