

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018
7:00 PM-COMMUNITY CENTER

Town Board Present- Councilman-Darin Forbes
Councilman-Steve Corvelli
Councilwoman-Dawn Stevens
Councilwoman-Rarilee Conway
ABSENT Supervisor-Randy Preston

Public Present: Gerald L. Bruce-Town Clerk, George Buck and David Neumann.

In regards to the property the Town is selling to the Hospital there is a couple of problems as far as the land transfer. Come to find out we can not sell it for just X amount of money because we need an appraisal done and sell it for the amount of the appraisal. Randy has also been working with Robi Politi and he has given him a couple other options for us to be able to go through without having the assessment done to get that transferred over, right now it is on Allison's desk we have to see where she leads us and what is best for the Town. One of the options are we could sell the property to them for a dollar and do the transfer that way. If that didn't work out we might just have to do the assessment. Allison is studying on how to do the transfer and have everything legal.

As far as Town Assessors we do have one person that applied, Todd Anthony from Fox Farm Rd. He is the Assessor for North Elba and he is willing to be an assessor here in Town. He can help Fonzy after the loss of Dana. I do need a motion to appoint Todd as an assessor and we will move forward from there. David Wainwright went to work for the County and couldn't continue as assessor.

RESOLUTION 9-18 TOWN BOARD APPROVED THE APPOINTING OF TODD ANTHONY FOR ASSESSOR TO COMPLETE THE TERM OF DAVID WAINWRIGHT. TODD WILL HAVE TO RUN IN THE NEXT ELECTION THIS FALL.

Motion – Dawn Stevens Seconded- Steve Corvelli All in Favor

Jim has been sworn in as Town Justice, he is basically waiting until April when classes come up then he will be ready to go. He has been working with Hope to get up to speed, but he can't do any officiating until he takes the classes again. He has been a Judge in the past and he has been sworn in by Jerry.

The Cooney/Hegele lawsuit there's not a lot to report there other than what we talked about at the work session. We have to do a few things, planting a few trees at the end of Bowman Lane and not push snow on their property. We got a rather large bill from our previous Attorney and Randy made a counter offer and he hasn't got back to us.

Update on our Dam, that project will be going out to bid in about 3 weeks. They are expecting construction to begin this summer and to be completed by wintertime. He wanted everything done before the freeze set in. Anything done in the winter the quality is not as good as when it done in the

summertime. He asked about the Flash boards and he said he believes they will build a coffer dam when they work on that side so we should be able to keep the higher water level.

Kevin Betty is back in town and he is going to be building two more Town Houses right next to the existing one at the Beach. He will start this spring. He has already got his permits He has already got two sold.

The attendant we did have at the landfill three days a week has called in sick a couple of Saturdays causing a pretty big uproar in town which caused one of the towns employees to work out there so he has been let go and Doug Nemec had an application filed with this town and he has been hired to fill that position and started today.

Public comment-

David Neumann – The sidewalks are in a deplorable state it results in nothing less than criminal negligence and I think something has to be done about it immediately.

Darin – OK, what would you suggest?

David-Town employees put them to work.

Darin- you want them out there with pick axes

David- I don't care what they do as long as they are safe to walk on. You go senior citizens walking where they need to go at the stores they could fall and they could hit their head and end their life right there.

Darin-I do know that John is out there every storm with snow blowers and everything, we try to make sure there is no snow on them. When it thaws and freezes it's pretty hard to make sure its ice free.

David-Its criminal neglect, I hope you have a good new lawyer.

Darin- your comment will be noted and we will take it from there. There is always people on the sidewalk.

David-You are not using your common sense. If you are old and that fragile, it's insane. What is the chances of you getting to the store every day.

Darin- Its also winter time in the Adirondacks there is probably going to be ice.

George Buck-You got to use caution. If your old you got to use caution or if it's that bad stay at home. It's not the matter of neglect. It's impossible to keep walks ice free. I see it at the school and I see that at the Hotel. We got heated walks over there and they ice up.

David-I kept the walk in front of my house clear right down to the concrete all last winter. If I can do it I don't see why the our younger town employees can't. They have snow shovels, salt, sand whatever.. It should not be the way it is, there is no excuse.

Darin- I'm not going to debate with you on this, but thank you for your comment.

David-If I fall down I'm going to get a damn good Lawyer and I am going to sue the crap out of this town and all the board members.

Dawn- Plattsburgh passed a resolution that people that own the property maintain their own sidewalks in front of their house.

David- What if people that own the property aren't able to clean their sidewalk?

Dawn-They will have to pay somebody.

Darin- There is no actual law that says we have to maintain and salt and sand every sidewalk in town.

David -Well maybe you need a referendum.

Steve- You could start a petition.

Darin- Well, I suggest if you want to take the lead on that it would be a good project for you to do.
Any other comments.

Work Session- 2/28/2018 at 4:30 PM

RESOLUTION 10-18 TOWN BOARD APPROVED THE EXPENSES FOR JANUARY.

	2018	2018		
	<u>From:</u> G40	To: G97	Amt:	76169.69
			Amt:	25925.42
			Amt:	2025.48
			Amt:	9344.57
Retirement			Amt:	
			Amt:	
			Amt:	
			Amt:	
			Amt:	
			Amt:	
	<u>From:</u> H20	To: H70	Amt.	43988.26
			Amt.	32335.44
			Amt.	2435.13
			Amt.	5248.71
Retirement			Amt.	
			Amt.	
	<u>From:</u> W25	To: W51	Amt.	8026.36
			Amt.	2212.19
			Amt.	160.86
			Amt.	745.94
Retirement			Amt.	
			Amt.	
	<u>From:</u> GD05	To: GD08	Amt.	762.04
			Amt.	1083.40
			Amt.	82.88
			Amt.	
Retirement			Amt.	

Motion Steve Corvelli Seconded Dawn Stevens All in Favor

Motion to adjourn by Steve Corvelli Seconded by Rarilee Conway All in Favor

Respectfully submitted:

Gerald L. Bruce/Town Clerk