

TOWN OF WESTFORD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
June 4, 2018

At 7:05 p.m., the Town Board reviewed and signed the following bills for payment:

General Fund #80 - # 91 = \$2,413.65, as set forth in abstract 6G

Highway Fund #41 - 51 # = \$10,775.45, as set forth in abstract 6H

The Westford Town Board was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Supervisor Larrabee with the Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Bryan Larrabee; Councilmen Ralph Ritton, Phillip Strong, Robert Huntington.

Absent: Councilman Jim Feil

Other Town Officials Present: Town Clerk Diana Brady.

Guests: Sign-in sheet on file at Town Clerk Office.

Minutes of the May 7th, 2018 Town Board meeting were read. Motion by Councilman Huntington to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Councilman Ritton. Motion carried.

The District Manager from Otsego County Soil and Water, Jordan Clements, advised the board of an intermunicipal agreement to develop a countywide stream maintenance program that would assess the town \$2 tax per person. Agreement would be for a 5 year period. More information is on file at the Town Clerk's Office. Councilman Ritton motioned to table the discussion. Supervisor Larrabee seconded motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEES:

1. Councilman Ritton suggested that discussion about the playground equipment be tabled.

CORRESPONDANCE:

1. Supervisor Larrabee received a letter informing the town that Jordan Clements was attending this meeting.
2. DEC sent a letter informing the town of a program that would provide funding through Transportation Alternatives for projects that would increase air quality by reducing vehicle emissions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. There has been no road repair on Route 36. Supervisor Larrabee will further inquire about this matter.
2. Councilman Ritton informed the board that NYSEG would like to start work on the Highway Department Building the week of June 25th. Supervisor Larrabee suggested the old materials be sold through Auctions International.
3. The Hyundai Loader and Gallion Grader will be listed this month.
4. Superintendent Ritton did not travel to Vermont to look at plow truck. He would like to be advised of the dollar amount available for use. The board agreed to look at the budget and assess this for him. Supervisor Larrabee informed the board that the purchase of a truck that is not bought from a municipality must be put out to bid.

5. Supervisor Larrabee and Superintendent Ritton will be meeting with Hanson Aggregates to discuss cost for paving and devise a plan.
6. Supervisor Larrabee and Superintendent Ritton discussed moving the file cabinets that are at Doug Gohde's house.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Superintendent Ritton stated that all roads have been honed and the Highway Department would like to start applying dust oil by the end of June. They have started cold patching and cleaning ditches.
2. Mack and plows sold, and the town should be receiving payment soon.
3. The board agreed to have tire day at the transfer station and to use the same pricing and limits as last year. This will be advertised in the Home Town Advantage. Joey Marullo will be hired and John Shulgay will handle the money. Supervisor Larrabee motioned to have tire day on July 21st with the same pricing and limits as last year. Councilman Ritton seconded motion. Motion carried.
4. Councilman Strong addressed the poor condition of the culvert over Green Road. Supervisor Larrabee advised the board that we can use emergency money to repair this. Councilman Strong stated that Westville Gulf Road is also in disrepair. Supervisor Larrabee will discuss these issues with Superintendent Ritton.
5. Concerns about the road conditions on Hooker Mountain and Stanley Roseboom Rd. were brought up by town residence in attendance. Supervisor Larrabee will discuss this with Superintendent Ritton.
6. Barbara Cavaleri addressed the board concerning her neighbor at 545 County Route 36A and the disheveled state of his property. She was looking for direction from the board on how to proceed. Supervisor Larrabee advised her to read the Land Use Regulations for the town. A community member suggested she contact DEC. Councilman Ritton offered to be a delegate to the DEC for this concern.

Since there was no further business to come before this meeting, motion by Councilman Ritton to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Huntington. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Diana Brady,
Town Clerk