

Town Of Westford
Town Board Meeting
April 1st 2019

At 7:00 p.m. The Town board reviewed and signed the following bills for payment:

General Fund #37-#51 = \$10,255.43 as set forth in Abstract 4G

* Highway Fund #31-#42= \$ 106,468.41 as set forth in Abstract 4H

Supervisor Larrabee called the regular meeting of the Westford Town Board to order at 7:25p.m.

Present: Supervisor Bryan Larrabee, Highway Superintendent Jason Ritton, Councilmen Phillip Strong, Robert Huntington, Ralph Ritton and Jim Feil.

Other Town Officials Present: Town Clerk Lynda May and Town Assessor Pamela Dyn-Gohde

Absent:

Special Guest:

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

Minutes of the March 4th, 2019 Town Board meeting were read. Councilman Ritton motioned to accept minutes as amended. Seconded by Councilman Huntington, Motioned carried.

Communications:

1. A formal letter was received from Barbara Roberts expressing interest in the Westford Town Assessor Position in the upcoming election .
2. The Westford Town received the Chips check in the amount of \$105,377.95.

Unfinished/Old Business:

1. The Highway Department worked on Draper Hill Rd. They Will reevaluate after the spring.

2. County Representative Oberackers check has been earmarked for the playground at Gophers Field. Councilman Ritton will be working with the Community Association on this project.
3. Supervisor Larrabee and Steve Zerby finished and submitted the application to the Preservation League of New York State for the Cultural Resource Survey.
4. Supervisor Larrabee signed and submitted the solid waste Contract.
5. The auto insurance has not issued a check for the town truck involved in the accident as they may deem it totaled.
6. Highway Superintendent Ritton purchased the 30' X 85' Cover all building discussed in March.

New business:

1. The board discussed the purchase of Tonka Blocks from the upcoming Cooperstown Holsteins auction for use by the highway department. Councilman Huntington motioned to earmark \$40.00 a block with a maximum of \$2000.00 for the purchase. Seconded by Councilman Ritton. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Supervisor Larrabee and the board discussed the mowing positions for the spring and summer seasons. Matt Rifembark will continue to mow the cemeteries and John Murin will continue to mow the Town Hall and Transfer Station at the same rate as last year. All were in favor.
3. Supervisor Larrabee and the town bookkeeper will be implementing a new balance sheet next month. This will enable the board and towns people a better understanding of the financial position the town is in. Supervisor Larrabee will also be auditing the last few months to insure the figures are correct.

4. Supervisor Larrabee presented the Otsego County Snow and Ice contract including the fee schedule for review. Councilman Ritton motioned to approve and sign . the Otsego County Snow and Ice Contract as written. Seconded by Councilman Huntington. All in favor. Motion Carried.

A roll call vote was taken to accept Resolution #4 of 2019
Ayes: Councilmen Strong, Huntington, Ritton, and Feil
Noes: None Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #4 OF 2019

Agreement for control of snow and ice on county roads pursuant to section 135a of the highway law

Resolved: On April 1st, 2019, The town board voted to pass Resolution #4 to accept the proposed agreement for control of snow and ice on county roads pursuant to section 135A of the highway law.

The
State of New York
County of Otsego ss
Town of Westford

I, Lynda A. May, Clerk of the governing Board of the Town of Westford of the State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing Resolution #4 of 2019 with the original resolution passed by such board at a legally convened meeting held on the 1st day of April 2019, on file as part of such meeting and that the same is a true copy thereof and the whole of such original.

I further certify that the foregoing Resolution #4 of 2019, as passed, was posted on the Town of Westford Official signboard for 30 days.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Town of Westford this 1st day of April, 2019

5. Supervisor Larrabee and the board discussed the 2019 election. Supervisor Larrabee, Councilman Strong and Clerk Lynda May will not be running in November. Clerk

Lynda May stated that she would be willing to train someone if there was anyone interested in the position now but will continue as town clerk till the end of the term. Clerk May will also post the position in the Town newspaper.

Gallery:

1. Concerns were voiced over road conditions on Stanley Roseboom and Rabbit Run Road. Highway Superintendent Ritton stated the town would be looking into the repairs needed and getting bids this spring.
2. Councilman Fiel questioned if we were going to put the fuel out to bid this year. Supervisor Larrabee will compile the information needed for the board.
3. Superintendent Ritton informed the board that he will be having a medical procedure done in a few weeks. He will continue to supervise the department and has lined up Marty Peeters if help is needed with plowing.

Since there is no further business to come before this meeting, motion by Councilman Feil to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Huntington. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Lynda A. May
Westford Town Clerk