

December 18, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, December 18, 2017, at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Hall.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko
Councilman Richard Bear
Councilman John Bensen
Councilman Greg Davis
Councilman Travis Richards

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Department Heads Present: Maintenance and Water Superintendent P. Leroy Bear
Greenville Rescue Squad President Theodore Nugent, Jr.
Greenville Rescue Squad Vice President Cliff Powell III
Greenville Rescue Squad Chief Brian Tumey
Zoning and Code Officer Mark Overbaugh *arrived at 7:50 pm*
Highway Superintendent Terry Williams

Other: Mr. Travis Smigel as well as 11 guests in attendance

Absent: Attorney Tal Rappleyea

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. He then noted at the November meeting when Mr. Richards was appointed that the Board neglected to formally accept Mr. Stern's letter of resignation;

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to accept Councilman Kenneth Stern's letter of resignation effective October 1, 2017.

Carried 4 ayes, 1 abstention (Mr. Richards)

Mr. Bensen moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of November 20, 2017, seconded by Mr. Bear. Carried 5 ayes

Oral and/or written reports were received from the Rescue Squad, Highway, Buildings and Grounds, Code, Assessing, Clerk/Tax, Dog Control, Sewer and Water departments, and Planning and Zoning Boards.

-Additionally, Chief Brian Tumey addressed the pending 2018 GRS, Inc. contract. It reflects an increased amount versus the 2017 cost, but otherwise is identical.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve the 2018 contract between the Town of Greenville and the Greenville Rescue Squad, Inc., for \$250,000; attached.

Carried 5 ayes

-Highway Superintendent Terry Williams reports the crew has been working in the shop, as well as completing paving area shoulders.

-Buildings and Grounds Mr. Leroy Bear noted the department has been managing the light snowstorms, installing new LED outside lights on town buildings, and has gotten the furnace up and running for the season.

-Supervisor Macko read Code Officer Mark Overbaugh's written report.

-Mr. Travis Smigel of Delaware Engineering reported on Tractor Supply's request to be an 'out of district' water user; he noted their commercial user cost will be two times the residential rate. A resolution is necessary to satisfy the Planning Board's stipulations for this new building site;

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Davis, to adopt the attached resolution authorizing Out of District Water and Sewer Use.

Carried 5 ayes

-Mr. Travis Smigel also discussed the continuing extensions of water and sewer lines. A 'map, plan, and report' is being prepared and a public hearing will be required. The last sewer extension is in its final stages. Residents Gene and Lynn Bowden expressed concern with their system due to what they feel was improper design and installation; discussion and planning with Mr. Smigel occurred. He will document for the files a description of his findings and corrective recommendations with specifications to put in place to resolve this issue. Supervisor Macko acknowledged that the drillers/contractors put it (the grinder pump) at the wrong elevation, and there was a 'Clerk of the Works' present for inspection of the work being done.

-Mr. Leroy Bear noted the new equipment at the water plant was up and running very well. Everything being done manually this summer has now been automated, and chlorine levels are again at a lower level.

-Mr. Smigel reported on the potential water tank site off of Wickes Lane: a wetland evaluation will occur, and the site will be surveyed. Supervisor Macko noted an additional 40 feet in elevation will be gained at this site, versus the Highlands' site. He also feels it is favorable due to a 'visibility factor'; most residents won't even know the tank is there.

-Councilman Bear reported on the recycling center. Operator Ronnie Duncan has requested the heat within the building be addressed; Mr. Leroy Bear will work with Mr. Duncan to resolve this issue.

-An Assessor's report was not received; Supervisor Macko reminded all that homeowners should come in to sign up for the STAR programs or other applicable exemptions.

-Supervisor Macko reported on the Planning and Zoning Board activity, including an expansion of Stewarts and changes to their pumps, the site plan approval for Tractor Supply, and a fence variance in town. It was noted the Greenville representative to the Greene County Planning Board will also need reappointment by March of 2018.

-A dog report was not received. Clerk-Collector Park noted there didn't seem to be any problems.

-Supervisor Macko reported on the Beautification Committee's receipt of a \$50,000 grant to refurbish the stained glass windows in Prevost Hall. A stipulation exists on the deed that the windows must be maintained. A DASNY grant has been awarded and bids will be requested for this project.

New business discussed at 7:30 pm:

-An inter-municipal agreement between the Town of Greenville, the Greenville Water District and the Greenville Fire District was discussed. It was suggested to wait until the end of this meeting before entering executive session to address this contract.

-The 2018 Greene County Emergency Medical Systems (EMS), Inc., contract was presented. Supervisor Macko noted the cost is down slightly, as the Greenville Rescue Squad (GRS) is handling so many of the calls previously assigned to Greene EMS. GRS Chief Brian Tumey stated it is actually reflective of the amount of advanced life support calls required, and they have had less. The 2018 cost will be \$29,895.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to authorize Supervisor Macko to sign this contract; attached.

Carried 5 ayes

-Supervisor Macko discussed the need to adopt the Greene County Hazard Mitigation and Resilience Plan. This Plan guides pre- and post-disaster mitigation of identified hazards.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Davis, to adopt the Greene County Hazard Mitigation and Resilience Plan Resolution.

Carried 5 ayes

-The annual Organizational meeting needs to be scheduled;

Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to conduct the 2018 Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 7:00 pm in Pioneer Town Hall.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting for public comments and questions

at 7:35 pm: Mr. Sandy Garden addressed the Board, questioning what was the reasoning for their decision to not open up State Route 32 as a General Commercial zone? A 25 minute discussion ensued. Councilman Bear replied the 2015 zoning law was developed after a lengthy process of working on the Comprehensive Plan, as well as a length and formal review of the zoning law in effect at that time, as a Board, based on community response and public hearings. Councilman Davis noted that inevitably, a decision pleases some and displeases others. Councilman Bear replied that in addition to the petitioners on Mr. Garden's list requesting Commercial zoning, there were also many residents along State Route 32 who desired to keep the area zoned as Residential. Supervisor Macko asked Mr. Garden repeatedly if he would like to ask the Board to address his concern by considering an amendment of the zone along the state highway, to which he replied, "yes". This issue will be addressed at future public meetings.

As previously discussed, sealed bids need to be requested for repair and renovation on two windows in Prevost Hall.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to request sealed bids for this work until 4:00 pm on 3/19/2018 at Pioneer Town Hall.

Carried 5 ayes

A presentation for a new sign was received by Frank Marzullo from SureFire Signs. This electronic display allows full control of every aspect of sign display, including brightness, timing, graphics and text. He recommends two 38" x 75" signs, placed back to back, at a total cost of \$17,440. Mr. Macko thanked him for the details and said we will keep it in mind for a future purchase. He thought it was a great way to get information to our residents, but stated the cost could be a stumbling block.

Mr. Paul Augstein reported on a new business in town: a barbershop on Garland Lane.

Executive session was again addressed to discuss the inter-municipal agreement previously mentioned today. There were however, no authorized reasons to discuss this agreement privately. GRS President Ted Nugent, Jr. stated the Fire District would love to continue to work with the Town. Water Superintendent & Maintenance and Grounds Supervisor Leroy Bear stated he would rather do the flushing himself per the Engineer's design, and would be willing to continue to plow the firehouse lot regardless of a contract. The problem seemed to lie with a lack of communication about the process of working with the hydrants as they related to the entire water system. Fire Commissioner Eric Bear suggested coordinating a schedule to work together, so the members evaluating the functionality of the hydrant learns to do so without negatively affecting the system at large; this was agreeable to Water Superintendent Leroy Bear. It was noted that there remained 4 non-functioning hydrants; Mr. Eric Bear requested approval to 'bag' (cover) them as out of service. The Board and the Water Superintendent agreed without hesitation. On another topic, it was addressed that the fire district has not yet received a bill for salt as was required per the inter-municipal agreement in place. It was requested that a rate and payment verbiage be added into the agreement, to ensure prompt payment. Another concern brought forth was related to snowplowing of the firehouse lot ~ last year it was noted that snow had been plowed in a way to push it into/towards the bay doors, which caused ice problems and an inability to put the truck into service when needed. Mr. Leroy Bear will see that drums and salt are available there, as well as that the plowing is done in an appropriate manner. Supervisor Macko will ask Attorney Rappleyea to amend the 2018 contract to reflect proper dates and salt pricing per NYS contract pricing.

Councilman Bensen moved, seconded by Councilman Bear, to authorize Supervisor Macko to sign the 2018 inter-municipal agreement with amendments as outlined above.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Davis, to enter executive session at 8:37 pm to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person/corp, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion, or suspension. Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to return to regular session at 9:14 pm.

Carried 5 ayes

No motions were made in executive session

Clerk-Collector Park inquired if there had been any follow up process or conversation from the Board on previous banking evaluations after assessment of the financial accounts held here were done? The Bank of Greene County, which holds the Clerk and Tax accounts, has twice previously reviewed the Town’s banking statements. It was anticipated that an additional interest revenue amount, annually, of approximately \$10,000 would be earned for the Town of Greenville if our other accounts were transferred from the current financial institution. Supervisor Macko asked the Board what they wanted him to do; Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Davis, to transfer our accounts to the Bank of Greene County in the interest of bringing higher amounts of interest in on the accounts. Clerk-Collector Park requested the motion be clarified to specify which accounts be referred over, based on documentation previously provided to Supervisor Macko. This will be provided in the January 2018 meetings and reopened for discussion at that time.

After audit, Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to pay the following bills:

- Bills 422 - 462 on General abstract #12 for \$46,835.15
- Bills 214 - 238 on Highway abstract #12 for \$327,699.56
- Bills 132 - 140 on Sewer abstract #12 for \$31,152.10
- Bills 94 - 102 on Water abstract #12 for \$14,401.43
- Bills 1 - 2 on Tractor Supply escrow abstract #1 for \$1,558.75
- Bill 9 on Freehold Solar, LLC, escrow abstract #5 for \$5,947.32
- Bill 9 on Amberjack Solar, LLC, escrow abstract #5 for \$5,189.82

Carried 5 ayes

After review, Mr. Bensen made a motion to accept the Supervisor’s report for November, seconded by Mr. Bear. Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business, Mr. Macko moved to adjourn at 9:30 pm.

Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

SUPERVISOR MACKO

MR. BEAR

MR. BENSEN

MR. DAVIS

MR. RICHARDS