

**Town of Independence  
Regular Meeting  
December 8 , 2016**

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on December 8th, 2016 at 7:00 pm for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Supervisor Jeri Reichman; Council: Acomb, Meunier, Waters, Howe. Town Clerk, Cindy Welch; Deputy Clerk, Jasmine Bledsoe; Highway Superintendent, Dennis Graves.

Visitors: Darwin Fanton, President/Fulmer Valley Cemetery Association

Supervisor Reichman called the regular meeting to order.

A motion to approve the November 10th, 2016 minutes was made by Council Acomb, seconded by Council Waters with all approving.

Denny Graves, Highway Superintendent, gave the Highway Report:

Work report: Signage upgrade has begun; bank stabilization and shoulder widening on Heselton Gully Road; D/I work on Marietta and Park Streets.

Equipment report: replaced hydraulic lines and sander controls on the Peterbilt trucks .

Fuel Report:

Gas: purchased:	100 gals	used: 123.3 gals.	Tank Measurement: 32 1/2 "
Diesel:	663.4 gals.	1080 gals	30"

Water Department:

Supervisor Reichman reported the Water Advisory Board met on November 14th, 2016. Discussion was held concerning paint flaking on the water tank reservoir, Reichman stated she spoke with Global Contracting. Town is to send photographs to them for review. Report to follow.

Police Department: Percy Sherman reported the new cameras have been installed in the interrogation room. Cameras were provided for by a New York State grant.

Dar Fanton spoke on behalf of the Fulmer Valley Cemetery Association and reported that the association was officially abandoning the cemetery and presented the Town Board with their resolution of abandonment. Upon discussion, **Resolution #14-2016 - Resolution to Accept Conveyance of Fulmer Valley Cemetery under Town Law Section 291** was offered by

Supervisor Reichman, moved upon by Council Meunier. Clerk called for a roll vote with all voting yes. *(resolution in its entirety in the resolution book)*

Discussion was held concerning the final draft contract with Vertical Wire, LLC for leasing town property for the construction of a telecommunications tower with **Resolution #15-2016 - Resolution Regarding Lease of a portion of Certain town Property for Telecommunications Tower** being offered by Supervisor Reichman, moved upon by Council Waters. Clerk called for a roll vote with all voting yes. *(resolution in its entirety in the resolution book)*

Police, Financial, Code Enforcement and Clerk reports were reviewed by all.

End of Year meeting was scheduled for December 22nd, 2016 at 5:00 pm

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Bills reviewed by all and motion made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Meunier and approved by all to pay abstracts #12-2016 in the following amounts:

General	Voucher #'s 164-181	\$20842.76
Water	86-94	\$1365.87
Highway	217-238	\$74514.92
St. Light	#12	\$647.15

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Acomb, approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Cindy Welch/ Town Clerk

