

Town Of Independence
Regular Meeting
October 12th, 2017

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on October 12th, 2017 at 7:00 pm for the regular monthly meeting.

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

Visitors: Two WCS students

Supervisor Reichman called the regular meeting to order.

A motion to approve the September, 2017 minutes was made by Council Acomb, seconded by Council Waters, approved by all.

Highway Superintendent Graves gave the highway report:

Presented the board with the annual highway inventory and the seasonal roads list.
Work report: Patching on South Hill Rd., Hallsport-Independence Rd., Shouldering on Heselton, Cross Rd., South Hill Rd.; Assisted Town of Willing ; repairs to Cross Rd; ditching on Hawks Rd.

Equipment Report: Exhaust and oil repairs to the 2004 Sterling and 2003 Pete; equipment repairs to the 2004 Pete and the JD tractor.

Denny reported he will not be plowing Schoolhouse Road on the South side of St. Rt. 248 this winter.

Denny reported he would like to purchase through the online auction a hydraulic crossflow conveyor for the dump truck. Motion by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Acomb authorizing bidding at no more than \$8500. Approved by all. Report to follow.
Also reported: Bids received for the Broom - \$380; pressure washer - \$105. Motion by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Meunier to accept the bids. Approved by all.
Also on Auctions International - 2007 International Dump - minimum bid \$35000 - 88,000 miles. Council Meunier went with Superintendent Graves to see the truck and stated it was a clean truck. Upon discussion, a motion was made by Council Meunier to bid \$50,000 seconded by Council Acomb and approved by all. Payment to be made from the H3 Highway Equipment Fund.

Water Report: Superintendent Waters has been in contact with Root Drilling regarding the main water pump. council Meunier stated we should have a spare pump on hand at all times.
The clerk presented the board with a list of unpaid water bills with **Resolution # 11-2017-Resolution to Levy Unpaid Water onto Taxes** was offered by Supervisor Reichman, moved upon by Council Meunier. All votes yes with Council Howe absent.

Discussion was held concerning purchasing Holiday lights for the Street Lights (*see Sept. 14th minutes*) Upon discussion a motion was made by council Meunier to purchase fifteen lights, three each of the snowflakes. Motion seconded by Supervisor Reichman and approved by all.

The Clerk reported the roof replacement is complete.

The board set Trick or Treating hours for Tuesday, Oct. 31st , 6-8:00 pm.

A Budget workshop was set for October 17th at 6:00 pm. Public Hearing for the 2018 budget was set for November 16th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

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The Town Clerk, Justice, Police, and Financial reports were reviewed by all.

Bills were reviewed with a motion made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Meunier and approved by all to pay abstracts #10-2017 in the following amounts:

General	Voucher #'s	147-153	\$2272.44
Water		69-78	\$774.30
Highway		152-170	\$43350.16
St. Light		10	\$605.24

A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Meunier and approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Cindy Welch, Town Clerk

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