

Town Of Independence
Regular Meeting
February 8, 2018

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on February 8th, 2018 at 7:00 pm for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Council: Waters, Meunier, Acomb, Howe; Town Clerk, Cindy Welch; Deputy Clerk, Jasmine Bledsoe; Highway Superintendent, Dennis Graves. Police: Percy Sherman. Absent: Supervisor Reichman
Visitors: none

Deputy Supervisor Howe called the regular meeting to order.

A motion to approve the January 11th, 2018 minutes was made by Council Waters, seconded by Council Acomb, approved by all.

Denny Graves gave the Highway Department report:

Reported the insurance check was received for the 2015 Peterbilt accident damage; the 2003 International is for sale on the Auction website. A motion was made by Council Meunier to authorize selling it for \$25,000 or higher. Motion seconded by Council Waters and approved by all.

Work report: plowing, sanding, assisting with Water Leak on Hill St., took down Christmas Lights.

Equipment report: tires on the 2015 Peterbilt, brakes and drums on the 2016 International, replaced rear drive axle tires.

Denny also reported the water leak on Hill Street was repaired and he will fix the road in the Spring.

The clerk reported the Annual Cathodic Protection Agreement is up for renewal and further reported that Water Superintendent, Dick Waters suggested using the Plan C. Motion by Council Meunier seconded by Council Acomb to contract with Corrpro for the annual inspection at the Plan C level. Motion carried by all, clerk to submit the paperwork.

The Schuyler County Mutual Aid Agreement was again brought up for discussion (*see January 11, 2018 minutes*). P.J. Sherman explained it is a five (5) year agreement. After discussion **Resolution #3-2018 Resolution Authorizing Intermunicipal Agreement for Special Detail Deputies Performing Mutual Aid Duties in Schuyler County** was offered by Deputy Supervisor Howe, moved upon by Council Waters. Clerk called for a roll vote: Howe-yes; Waters-yes; Acomb-yes; Meunier-no; Reichman-absent.

Deputy Supervisor reported that the response from the DOT concerning establishing handicapped parking spots stated that parking cannot be within 45 feet of a Fire Department. Matter closed.

The clerk presented:

- the annual Attorney for the Town Retainer with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Howe seconded by Council Meunier and carried by all to renew the retainer for 2018.
- The Allegany County Board of Election sent a contract for voting, the matter was tabled due the issue of the Election Board's handling of the keys. Report to follow.

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- Request from WCS to hold the annual school vote on May 15, 2018, board approved.

At this time the 2017 Town Clerk books, the 2017 Financial books, the 2017 Water billing and collection books were audited by the Board with a motion to approve all by Deputy Supervisor seconded by Council Waters and carried by all.

Bills were reviewed with a motion made by Council Acomb seconded by Council Meunier and approved by all to pay abstracts #2-2018 in the following amounts:

General	Voucher #'s	13-31	\$10777.10
Water		4-11	\$31532.19
Highway		15-32	\$33317.35
St. Light		2	\$1030.91

A motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Supervisor Howe seconded by Council Meunier and approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Cindy Welch, Town Clerk

