

Town Of Independence
Regular Meeting
September 20th, 2018

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on September 20th, 2018 at 7:00 pm for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Supervisor Reichman; Council: Waters, Meunier, Acomb, Howe; Town Clerk, Cindy Welch; Building Inspector, Sam Koehler.

Absent: Highway Superintendent, Dennis Graves due to an IES call.

Visitors: Tige Ellison

Supervisor Reichman called the regular meeting to order and the board said the Pledge of Allegiance .

The clerk noted that the meeting date change (due to the Primary vote) had been duly advertised by legal notice and posting on the Town Clerk signboard.

A motion to approve the August 9th, 2018 minutes was made by Council Meunier, seconded by Council Waters and approved by all.

Inspector Koehler gave a building permit activity report and stated things were going well with the exception of one property located on State Rt. 248A. He further explained that the Department of Transportation had sent notification that building had commenced (with approval of the town by building permit) in the DOT Right of Way and would have to be removed. Neither CEO Koehler or the homeowner were aware of the ROA. Report to follow.

At this time Ann Teller and son Jason arrived at the meeting. They reported on their anticipated opening of the store in town and stated they welcome input from townspeople, further stating their intent is to have a deli and some grocery items. Board members commended them for all the hard work and conveyed how good it will be to have a deli and store again.

Water Report:

The Poles at the tank site need to be anchored partly due to all the rain, Council Acomb stated that Henkel and McCoy could assist. Report to follow. After the poles are stabilized Bob Bokan Electric will switch over the electric.

Discussion was held again concerning replacing the main pump with a motion by Supervisor Reichman to purchase the pump quoted by Root Water Well for \$12,530. Motion seconded by Council Howe and approved by all. Supervisor to notify.

Supervisor Reichman asked the board their opinion concerning adding a dental rider to Denny Graves insurance, information had been sent to board members for review. A motion was made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Meunier to add the rider. Motion carried by all. Supervisor to notify.

Banking issues were discussed with a motion made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Acomb to add Council Bill Meunier as a signatory on checks. Motion carried by all.

At this time Highway Superintendent Graves arrived and gave the Highway Report:

Work report: Assisted towns of Alma, Andover, Bolivar and Scio; worked on washouts and soft spots on Heselton and Grantier roads; patched blacktop on Harrigan, Graveled Paynesville Hill and Rigby Roads; mowed roadsides; assisted the Water Dept. with a new service; hauled scrap steel received \$859; worked the intersection of Hawks and 22A.

Equipment report: changed air tank and minor repairs on the 2010 Kentworth; repaired the fuel tank on the 2004 Sterling; changed brake maxi and minor repairs on the Peterbuilt.

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Fuel Report:

	Used	Purchased	Water	Fire Dept.	IES	Police	Measure
Gas:	110.0 gals	250 gals	10	0	0	22	2'0"
Diesel:	1313.9	1326.0	0.	20	19.4	0	2'9"

- trick or treat hours will be on Oct. 31st from 6-8 p.m. to homes with porch lights on
- budget workshop will be held on Sept 27th at 5:30 with the Public Hearing to be held on October 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- clerk read a letter from John Leonard , temporary CEO thanking the board for the opportunity to fill in as building inspector and stating he met many wonderful people.

The Clerk reported that the Allegany County Hazard Mitigation Plan update has been approved by NYS Homeland Security and FEMA and further explained that the final step in the approval process is to have towns and villages approve the plan by resolution. Upon discussion **Resolution # 8-18 -Resolution Approving the Allegany County New York Hazard Mitigation Plan** was offered by Supervisor Reichman, moved by Council Acomb. Clerk called a roll vote with all voting yes. Clerk will submit paperwork to the County.

The CDBG Grant reports provided by Andover Historic Preservation Corp. were reviewed by all.

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

Bills were reviewed with a motion made by Council Howe seconded by Council Meunier and approved by all to pay abstracts #9-2018 in the following amounts:

General	Vouchers #		
	139-154	\$5620.20	
Water	57-66	\$12973.66	
Highway	144-160	\$74244.21	
St. Light	9	\$686.03	

A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Waters and approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Cindy Welch, Town Clerk

