

Town Of Independence  
Regular Meeting  
February 14, 2019

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on February 14th, 2019 at 7:00 pm for the regular monthly meeting.

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

Visitors: WCS students, WCS Superintendent Lori Sanders, WCS teacher Miranda Moore and many community members.

Supervisor Reichman called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

At this time the WCS teacher Miranda Moore described the projects that each group was going to give presentations of as part of their tech/communications class. The students did well, the presentations were enjoyed by the board and community members.

The meeting continued with a motion by Council Meunier to approve the January 10th, 2019 minutes. Council Meunier also noted that Council Acomb's name had been omitted. Motion seconded by Council Waters and carried by all.

In the absence of Highway Superintendent Graves, Supervisor Reichman read the Highway Report:

Equipment report: painted 2010 Kentworth box and the 2004 Sterling; replaced the pump clutch on the 2013 International; replaced fuel lines on the 2004 Sterling.

Work report: plowing sanding roads, graveled soft spots during the thaw, cut brush, hauled gravel.

Fuel Report:

	Used	Purchased	Water	Fire Dept.	IES	Police	Measure
Gas:	147.5	401.4 gals				20	3'9"
Diesel:	2830.2	2878	0.			0	3'3"

Water report: the Clerk presented the annual Corpro Cathodic Protection Contract and further reported that Superintendent Waters recommended the standard Plan C. Board approved, clerk to submit.

Supervisor Reichman stated that Ken Stebbins was going to submit a quote for building repairs. Report to follow.

Also discussed was ordering Christmas Lights for the town St. Light poles with a motion by Council Waters seconded by Council Meunier to order 10 garland strands and extra snowflake lights. Carried by all.

The board was presented with a letter from Mike Smith, Whitesville Youth Sports. The letter was to request, and state need for repairs to the Town owned Rickie Pensyl Little League Ball Field and fence. The letter included a scope of work. The clerk stated the fencing was installed in 1998. Council Meunier will contact Mike Smith to go over the situation, report to follow.

The clerk read a letter of request from Whitesville Central School to use the Town Hall for the annual WCS budget vote on May 21st from noon - 9:00 pm. Motion to allow by Council Meunier seconded by Supervisor Reichman.

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The Clerk, Financial, Justice, and Police monthly reports were reviewed by board members. Bills were reviewed with a motion made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Waters and approved by all to pay abstracts #2-2019 in the following amounts:

General	Vouchers	8-38	\$24575.94
Water		3-12	\$2649.27
Highway		14-28	\$14594.32

At this time the annual auditing of the Town Clerk, Bookkeeping, Water Dept. and Justice records took place with the following motions being made after review:

Motion to approve the Town Clerk books made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Acomb and approved by all.

Motion to approve the Bookkeeping books made by Council Meunier seconded by Council Acomb and approved by all.

Motion to approve the Water Department books made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Acomb and approved by all.

Motion to approve the Justice books made by Council Meunier seconded by Council Acomb and approved by all.

Supervisor Reichman made a motion to enter into Executive Session for a personnel matter. Time was 9:00 pm.

Upon re entering into regular session at 9:15 pm a motion was made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Meunier to accept the resignation of Highway Department employee Joseph Haskins. A motion to pay vacation at the prorated amount of eighty four (84 hours) was made by Supervisor Reichman and seconded by Council Acomb. Motion approved by all.

A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Reichman seconded by Council Waters and approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Cindy Welch, Town Clerk

