

Town of Independence
Regular Meeting
June 10, 2021

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on June 10, 2021 at 7pm for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Supervisor Reichman; Council: Meunier, Ellison, Howe, Brubaker; Town Clerk, Bledsoe; Highway Superintendent, Acomb; Policeman, Sherman.
Visitor: Bill Dibble

Supervisor called the meeting to order and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to accept the May 13, 2021 minutes was made by Council Meunier, seconded by Council Ellison and carried by all.

Superintendent Acomb gave his Highway Report. During the month the highway crew has been brining, ditching, graveling, working and mowing many roads. They have also replaced 3 sluice pipes on South Hill, maintenance on equipment and assisting Scio, West Union, Willing and Andover.

Acomb and Board discussed the purchase of a new Highway truck. A special meeting to discuss payment options has been set for June 17th at 7pm.

The annual trash pickup days were discussed with one of the options being to haul in dumpsters for residents to be able to haul their own things to the dumpsters. No decisions were made at this time.

Supervisor Reichman gave the water report. She reported that the Class C course previously approved for Austin Waite had been cancelled and has not received any other dates yet. Board discussed the quote from Root Water Well. Will need to advertise for more quotes per the town's procurement policy.

Board discussed camera quotes to be installed around the Town Barns and little league field. A motion was made by Council Meunier, seconded by Council Howe and carried by all to go with ATN Surveillance with an estimated total of \$2700 including six cameras, electronics, wires and labor.

Supervisor gave a report on the playground construction at the little league field. There has been a problem with hooking certain parts together and they are looking at options on how to fix.

The housing of the police car was discussed. In response to last month's letter, the Ambulance Dept. has requested \$100 per month rental fee for their extra bay. Other options were discussed. A motion was made by Council Meunier, seconded by Council Brubaker with Council Ellison saying "Yes" and with Council Howe and Supervisor Reichman voting "No" to enter into a 3 year contract with the Ambulance Dept at this time.

Board discussed the water/sewer grant information that was passed on by Eric Wies from Clark Patterson Lee. A motion was made by Council Howe, seconded by Council Meunier and carried by all to approve an initial study be done on what options are available to the town. Supervisor to contact Mr. Wies.

Mowing of the cemeteries were discussed. A motion was made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Howe and carried by all to pay \$200 this year to Cabot Densmore for mowing at the Fulmer Valley Cemetery and \$200 this year payable to the Union Cemetery of Independence.

Monthly Clerk, financial, police, DCO, and Justice reports were reviewed by the Board.

Bills were reviewed with a motion made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Meunier and carried by all to pay abstracts #6-2021 in the following amounts:

General	#80-95	\$5,961.96
Water	#47-55	\$2,333.98
Highway	#79-91	\$14,377.32

A motion to adjourn was made by Council Howe, seconded by Council Meunier and carried by all at 8:35 pm.

Jasmine Bledsoe, Town Clerk