

The regular meeting of the Town Board was held June 11, 2019 at the Hermon Town Hall.

Present were Supervisor Nicole Bacon-Ward.

Councilmen Lee Carvel, Bernard Reed Jr., Kathy Carpenter, and John Reed.

Also present were Ed Carpenter, John Davis, Robert Reed, Brian Brunet, Michael Perry, Erin Gratch, Megan Sharpe, Robert Laclair, Chris Velez, Larry Denesha, Jessica Love, Roger and Lenore Zauhere.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Minutes of the previous meeting as submitted were approved on motion by Bernard Reed Jr. Seconded by John Reed. All in favor and carried.

Legislator Larry Denesha

- AIM Funding has been restored in the budget. Anticipated loss of sales tax revenue of \$1,056,000.
Towns of Dekalb will be receiving \$16,388 and Town of Hermon \$12,152
- 2018 Audit closed. We have a \$20 million unappropriated Fund Balance for the County
- There will be no Correctional Facilities closings in SLC
- The Senior Citizen picnic will be held on Friday July 12 in Gouverneur Community Center.
- SLC doing about 2700 square miles of county roads in SLC

Assessor Erin Gratch

1. The Towns Equalization rate has fallen to 89%. This is determined by State of New York thru the sales that have occurred in the Town of Hermon.
2. The property record cards are not accurate, they have not been kept up to date, nor are the information on properties on the computer.
3. Inventory update sheets
4. Reappraisal Labor part of 2020. SLC has no qualified data collector, she will be taking the class in October. I have a lady that is certified and have used her for data collecting.
5. In August would like to do a presentation on Ag Exemptions, Star Exemptions, and Veteran Exemptions. Will make up a color poster board and post on the website.

Kathy Carpenter made a motion to do Resolution to Establish Standard Work Day Reporting for Town Assessor. Seconded by Lee Carvel. All in favor and motion carried.

Kathy Carpenter made a motion to approve the Resolution for the Reassessment/ Data Collection project for 2020. Seconded by Lee Carvel. All in favor and motion carried.

Code Officer Robert Reed

- 14 permits for the year
- Notice of Violations sent out 2 certified mailings on May 13
- Baptist church parsonage needs some work done. In the past the building permit fee was waived. The Town Board made a motion to waive the building permit fee. All in favor. Motion carried.

No Dog Warden Report

Primary Day-June 25 Town Clerk Republican –Karen Wayering and Megan Sharpe

Sexual Harassment Training is required before October 9, 2019. Will check with Safety Joe to do at the September Board meeting at 4 p.m.

Water Report May 2019

Total pump	2,925,600
Hermon	2,304,100
Dekalb	621,500
Total Discharge	3,311,000

23 UFPO's

Audit of Water/Sewer Bills

Highway Superintendent Brian Brunet

- Pleasant Street sewer/manhole and drainage needs to be finished and then begin to pave
- Also want to pave Washington and Thatcher streets
- New Town Truck came in
- CHIPS Funding going to be less
- Need to shim Porter Hill to Underwood Road
- Went to Highway School first part of June
- Do up a sealed bid advertisement for the old plow truck
- Excavator up on Campbell Road broke down
- Looked at a tractor that is about 2 years old at Clarkson , they are putting it up for sale on Auctions International
- Been trucking the filter sand in at the WWTP.
- Getting gas for town trucks in Russell, as Woody's are putting in new pumps
- Loren and Angie Miller had Brian order some signs for them at Trout Lake. They gave a check to Brian for him to pay for their signs.

Audit of Highway Bills.

New Business

Nicole explained she went to the bank for a loan for new plow truck. She was told that the Town had to be bonded. The Town Clerk has to put an Estoppel Notice in the Watertown Daily Times for 20 days if the Town Board approves the Bond Resolution. This resolution authorizes the issuance of obligation of \$120,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a municipal plow truck and or relevant accessories.

The Bond Resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board at a meeting held on June 11, 2019 with all in favor. Nicole, Lee, Bernard, Kathleen, and John.

Historian Lenore Zauere received a donation from James Morrill \$1000.00 check # 5060 on May 20, 2019. He would like it to be used for the Historical Center.

Non-Profit Donations-checked with the lawyer, do not need a special account.

TOWN OF HERMON RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN BOARD TO ACCEPT GIFTS AND BEQUESTS FOR PUBLIC USE

A motion was made by Kathy Carpenter to do a Resolution to establish authority for the Town to accept gifts and bequests for public use. Seconded by Bernard Reed Jr. All in favor and motion carried.

DEC Report: Petroleum Contamination in 1995. The leak affected the back alleyway, Kio's and Bank. Need a closure letter-Robert will check records with Sam Frank from Harrisville.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2019 BUDGET

UPDATED CHIPS & PAVE NY ALLOCATION

EWR ALLOCATION TERMINATED

WHEREAS, the Town of Hermon has been awarded a CHIP's allocation in the amount of \$126,238.91, a PAVE NY allocation in the amount of \$28,822.37, -a total amount of \$155,061.28 and

WHEREAS, these funds are to be used for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of local highways, and

WHEREAS, \$179,000 in CHIP's funding (DA3521.04-revenue account) and (DA5150.40-expense account) were included in the 2019 budget, and

WHEREAS, \$23,938.72 of EWR Allocation has been terminated by New York State, the EWR Allocation was included in the 2019 budget, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hermon is authorized to amend the 2019 budget to include the allocation of grant revenue for all highway programs including CHIPS and PAVENY into (DA3521.04-revenue account) and (DA5150.40-expense account). The new total for the 2019 budget for both the CHIPS revenue account and expense account shall be \$155,061.28.

Town Board meeting approval-June 11, 2019 at the Hermon Town Office.

Nicole Bacon-Ward, Town Supervisor

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

I, Karen Wayering, Clerk of the Town of Hermon, St. Lawrence County, New York, do hereby certify that this decision was approved by the Town Board at a meeting held on June 11, 2019. There being 4 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Adopted this 11 day of June 2019

Karen Wayering, Clerk

Town of Hermon

Audit of General Bills.

RESOLUTION TO AUDIT TOWN COURT RECORDS FROM 2017 AND 2018.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hermon, by the request of the State of New York Unified Court Systems has performed an audit of court records and docket for 2017 and 2018 pursuant to Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act,

WHEREAS, it was found that the record of every criminal action stated the names of the witnesses sworn and their places of residence, and including the street and house number of every preceding before him. Each record inspected was found to be in compliance with court records and financial records,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act, the Town of Hermon Court records and docket have been duly examined, and that the fines therein collected have been turned over to the Hermon Town Supervisor as required by law,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the audit of 2017 and 2018 Court Records and Docket are found to be in compliance with Section 2019-1 of the Uniform Justice Court Act.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed at a regular board meeting of the Town of Hermon held on June 11, 2019.

Nicole Bacon-Ward, Town Supervisor

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Karen Wayering Clerk

The Town Clerk and Supervisor submitted their bank statements.

The Supervisor's and Town Clerks monthly report were examined and approved on motion by Kathy Carpenter. Seconded by Lee Carvel. All in favor and carried.

General (#82- #), Highway (# 55- #) and Water/Sewer (#26- #) bills were audited and approved for payment on motion by Lee Carvel. Seconded by John Reed. All in favor and carried.

Lee Carvel made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Seconded by Kathy Carpenter.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Wayering

Town Clerk

