

REGULAR MEETING

JULY 18, 2016

At the Regular Meeting held on Monday, July 18, 2016 at the Hopkinton Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Wood, Councilpersons Lyon, Parker, Sochia.

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephen Green Hwy Supt., Clerk French, Assessor & Code Officer Allen Fukes, Ernest Wood, Jan Keller

ABSENT: Councilman Crump.

Supv. Wood called the Regular Meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Sochia made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to accept minutes of Regular Meeting held on June 20, 2016 as presented. Adopted unanimously.

Ms Lyon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker to accept Supervisors Financial Report for June 2016 as presented. Adopted unanimously.

Voucher Nos. 173 to 194 General Fund Abstract 7 in the amount of \$12,532.38 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 91 to 104 Highway Fund Abstract 7 in the amount of \$19,281.71 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 11 to 12 BHLS Health Center Fund Abstract 7 in the amount of \$3,586.00 were audited and approved by the Board.

Mr. Sochia made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lyon to pay the bills. Adopted unanimously.

Correspondence:

State of New York Public Service Commission: Notice seeking comments to update and clarify wireless pole attachment protections.

Agriculture & Markets: Dog Control Inspection Report. All Services were rated satisfactory.

NYS Department of Public Service: Informational session on 518 area code could be out of assignable telephone numbers by the first quarter of 2019.

Charter Communications: Charter Communications and Time Warner Cable have completed their merger, and our cable franchise is now under the control of Charter Communications. Also notifying us of our new point of contact person.

County of Dutchess: regarding the town passing a resolution to "Think Differently" promoting awareness and acceptance of all people, and advocating for the inclusion of all individuals living on the Autism Spectrum and with special needs.

The Board took no action on the resolution.

Old Business: Councilman Lyon contacted Cootware Construction in regards to the Museum repairs, he has not returned her call.

Committee Reports:

Supervisors Report: Supv. Wood reported that she is still waiting for the contract from the state for the museum repairs.

She is going to meet with Jan Keller at the library to discuss some items that need to be addressed and apply for some grant money through Senator Little's office. She is setting up a meeting with the Teamsters to start negotiations. Mr. Parker asked her if she had reached out to the grant writer as of yet. Supv. Wood stated she had not as of yet, but will try to email him this week.

Code Enforcement: Mr. Fukes presented a written report. He also met with the engineer for Dollar General. He talked with him about the codes and fees for permit. They hope to start building in the fall. They are also going to possibly talk to the Board about a PILOT program. Mr. Fukes is going to check with some of the other towns to see how they assessed them and if they are using the PILOT program.

Assessor: Mr. Fukes presented a written report. The 2016-2017 Final Assessment Roll has been filed. The final date to register with the state for new STAR Exemptions is July 31. He has notified all persons who applied for the Basic and Enhanced STAR in 2014 and 2015 that they have to go on line and register through the Department of Taxation and Finance.

Library: Jan Keller reported she has 35 children signed up for the Summer Reading Program. They have four new patron families. She has applied for a grant to purchase tablets and chrome books. The railings on the library ramp still need to be repaired.

Museum: Supv. Wood reported that they had a good turnout for their Genealogy Day.

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Highway & Safety: Mr. Green presented a written report. Supv Wood thanked him for installing the new sign at the Municipal Building.

Fire and Rescue: Mr. Parker reported on the calls and training for the month. They had 38.5 man hours responding to calls, 27.5 hours training and 112 man hours' general station work. Their field day will be held on July 23 and they are asking the Board for permission to use the roller to roll the garden tractor pull track. The Board granted them permission. Construction of the new fire pit is completed. He thanked the Town Highway Department for their help.

Town Facilities: Ms Lyon reported that at this time there are two events scheduled at the Town Hall for the month of July.

BHLS: Copies of the monthly minutes were presented. They are going to stain the steps.

Groundskeeper: Mr. Wood reported that he has been doing his regular maintenance duties. He broken locks on the ladies room and utility room at the Ft. Jackson Park bathhouse. He contacted the State Police and filed a report. It was suggested to install security cameras on the upper and lower park. He also asked the Town Board how much clearing of brush they would like him to do. It was suggested that the Town Board actually go to the park and look at it to give him some idea of what they want.

New Business:

NYS Retirement Resolution: Ms Lyon introduced the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Sochia

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Hopkinton Location code 30582 hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system records or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body: Town Clerk, Vickie French standard work day 6 hours per day and Stephen Green, Highway Superintendent standard work day 6 hours per day. A recertification of the Record of Activities will be submitted to the Town Clerk.

VOTE: Supv. Wood Aye, Councilman Parker Aye, Lyon Aye, Sochia Aye, Crump Absent.

Amendment to the Agreement to Spend Funds with the County: Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to approve the updated Agreement to Spend Funds with the County as presented by Highway Supt. Steven Green. Adopted unanimously.

Solar Local Law: Supv. Wood gave all Board Members copies of the Solar Law passed in the Village of Potsdam. She asked the Board to review the law and use it as a base line for the Town of Hopkinton.

Price Quotes for Gutters for Municipal Bldg: Supv. Wood reported to the Board that she he two price quotes, Seamless Gutters \$1900.00 for the complete building or \$1700.00 if they do not do over the portion of the front entrance (facing Museum).

Simply Seamless Gutters quoted \$1850.00 with screens and \$1500.00 without screens.

Supv. Wood told the Board that she had contacted Mr. MaGinn for a reference on the companies and he reported that they have used Seamless Gutters in the past and had no problems.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to accept the quote from Seamless Gutters in the amount of \$1900.00. Mr. Parker also requested that they direct the water shed to the back of the property. Adopted unanimously.

Resolution Court Grant: Ms Lyon introduced the following Resolution with a second by Mr. Parker
BE IT RESOLVED, that at a Regular Town Board Meeting of the Hopkinton Town Board, St. Lawrence County, on July 18, 2016 The Town Board unanimously agreed to apply for a Justice Court Grant.

VOTE: Supv. Wood Aye, Councilman Lyon Aye, Parker Aye, Sochia Aye, Crump Absent.

CHIPS Budget Revision: Mr. Parker introduced the following resolution, with a second by Mr. Sochia

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WHEREAS the additional funds were included in the 2016-2017 New York State Budget for Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS)-PAVE-NY, and

WHEREAS the Town of Hopkinton will receive an additional \$33,902.62,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Hopkinton increases the CHIPS line item DA3501 by \$33,902.62 and increases the Capital Improvements line item DA5112.2 by \$33,902.62.

VOTE: Supv. Wood Aye, Councilman Parker Aye, Lyon Aye, Sochia Aye, Crump Absent.

Iberdrola: Supv. Wood reported to the Board that Iberdrola will hold an informational meeting at the Hopkinton Town Hall on September 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Open House: August 10 at 6:00 p.m. was set for a date to hold an Open House for the new Municipal Building.

Evening Hours: Mr. Parker stated that he and Mr. Crump had a request that the Town Clerk's Office be open evenings during the month of September and October for the purpose of purchasing Sporting Licenses. Clerk French responded that there is not enough business to warrant the additional cost of paying someone to sit there. She has been open evenings in the past. Licenses are available at Walmart during weekends and evenings.

Mr. Sochia made a motion, seconded by Ms Lyon to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vickie French

RMC