

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 18, 2019

At the Regular Meeting held on Monday, March 18, 2019 at the Hopkinton Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Deputy Supervisor Helfter, Councilpersons Lyon, Parker, Pullano, Sochia.

ABSENT: Supervisor Wood

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk Powers, Codes Mr. Ploof, Deb Rust, Vickie French, Etta Phelix, Amber & Randy Lindsey, Kelly & Frank Potenzano, Lori Witherell, Irene & Dave Perry, Dolores Rice, Jeff Snell, David Slater, Robert Blum, Jan Keller, Richard Eakins, Everett Smith, Emmett Smith.

Deputy Supv. Helfter called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Privilege of the Floor:

Jeff Snell: Discussed Gov. Cuomo's proposal to not allow fundraising in regard to hunting issues. Asked that the Town Board consider opposing any such discussion.

Mr. Sochia made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 11, 2019. Approved unanimously. *

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lyon to accept the Financial Reports for January and February 2019. Approved unanimously. *

Voucher Nos. 54 to 83 General Fund Abstract 1 in the amount of \$10,392.28 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 20 to 35 Highway Fund Abstract 1 in the amount of \$15,372.49 were audited and approved by the Board.

Voucher Nos. 5 to 8 BHLS Health Center Fund Abstract 1 in the amount of \$656.18 were audited and approved by the Board.

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

Budget Report:

No report.

Correspondence:

Deputy Supr. Helfter read a submitted report from Legislator Rick Perkins.

Old Business:

Deputy Town Clerk: Clerk Powers announced that he has appointed Ms. Luann Crocker as Deputy Town Clerk.

Cyber Security Policy: The Board have reviewed the proposed Cyber Security Policy and there was no discussion. Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pullano to approve the proposed Cyber Security Policy. Adopted unanimously. *

Solar Law Moratorium: Ms. Pullano made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parker, to rescheduled the Public Hearing regarding the Solar Law Moratorium to 7:00 P.M. on April 15, 2019. Adopted unanimously. *

Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds: Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lyon to approve the Agreement to Spend Highway Funds with the County as presented. Adopted unanimously. *

Holding Harmless Resolution: Mr. Parker introduced the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Lyon:

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopkinton is desirous of St. Lawrence County Department of Highways providing shared services such as paving, signage, road stripping, blasting, and other routine maintenance activities to the Town, and

WHEREAS, both the Town of Hopkinton and the County of St. Lawrence are desirous of promoting efforts for the safety of the traveling public in St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, in this joint cooperative endeavor, the Town of Hopkinton and the County of St. Lawrence desires to be reimbursed for their expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the Town is aware that the County may incur liability in the providing of the services and wishes to indemnify the County in this regard.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Town of Hopkinton will indemnify and hold harmless the County, their officers, directors, partners, representatives, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, suits, liens, judgments, damages, losses and expenses, including legal fees and all court costs and liability (including statutory liability) arising in whole or in part and in any manner from injury and/or death of person or damage to or loss of any property relating to or arising out of any negligent or intentional acts and/or omissions of the Town of Hopkinton or any of its directors, officers, employees, contractors, representatives, or agents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following request for General Liability (GL) coverage is as follows:

General Liability Insurance

On an "Occurrence" basis, with the following limits:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence

\$3,000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Personal Injury

\$ 50,000 Fire Damage Legal Liability

\$ 5,000 Medical Payment Expense

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that St. Lawrence County shall be an additional insured on the GL Policy, via ISO endorsement CG 2026.

VOTE: Deputy Supervisor Helfter Aye *, Councilpersons Parker Aye, Pullano Aye, Lyon Aye, Sochia Aye

Committee Reports:

Supervisor Update: none

Code Enforcement: Mr. Ploof reported he had recently attended a class in Lake Placid. There was a discussion regarding the Americans With Disabilities Act. It was noted that all towns should have a Law passed stating that the Town will adhere to the ADA.

Assessor: no report

Library: Ms. Kellar read and provided her report.

Museum/Town Facilities: Mr. Parker noted that the annual Maple Festival will be held on April 6 at the Town Hall. He reported that the flashing red lights and thermostats have been installed in the Museum, Library, Municipal Building and Town Hall. If the temperature drops below 50 degrees the flashing light will be activated.

Highway: Deputy Supr. Helfter read the provided Highway report.

BHLS: Minutes were received from their February 6, 2019 meeting. Mr. Sochia reported that smoke and CO2 alarms had been installed.

Groundskeeper: Mr. Perry had no issues to report.

New Business: There was no new business.

Richard Eakins: Mr. Eakins asked to speak regarding an issue. He introduced Everett and Emmett Smith who spoke to the Board regarding their local company, Northern Power and Light, which operates a hydro dam in St. Regis Falls. They are able to market power to the community. Their website is NPANDL.com.

Mr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sochia to adjourn the meeting. Adopted unanimously. *

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Richard L. Powers

Town Clerk

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* Correction: Ms. Lyon requested that the March 18, 2019 minutes reflect the following correction regarding all votes held at the Board Meeting. Article 3, Section 42 of the Town Law of the State of New York states "the deputy supervisor ... shall have no vote ... on matters coming before the town board ...".

All votes during this Board meeting should read as follows: Councilpersons Parker Aye, Pullano Aye, Lyon Aye, Sochia Aye.

Respectfully Submitted:

Richard L. Powers

Town Clerk

April 15, 2019