

Supervisor Mark Illig called the regular meeting of the Pulteney Town Board to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, June 13, 2018, at the Pulteney Town Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were: Supervisor Mark Illig; Councilman Mark Goodwin; Councilman Kathleen Burns; Councilman Richard Musso; Councilman Michael Yastremski; Attorney Jennifer Prossick; Highway Superintendent Terry Gibson; Bookkeeper Rebecca Kirch; and Town Clerk Erica Giambra.

Bill Weber took a moment of reflection to speak of the recent passing of Dr. Frank matriarch, Margrit Frank. She immigrated to America in 1955 residing in New York City where she worked as a remarkable seamstress. In the 70's she along with her husband and children moved to Seneca Lake and eventually Hammondsport/Pulteney. She was a wonderful woman and will be fondly remembered and sadly missed.

Councilman Yastremski made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to accept the minutes of the May 9, 2018 regular Board meeting. All in favor. Carried.

Councilman Burns made motion seconded by Councilman Goodwin to pay General Bills in the amount of \$6,691.23 being vouchers No. 18-102 to No. 18-126. Roll call vote: Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. Supervisor Illig stated vouchers were overall routine and nothing out of the ordinary this month for General.

Councilman Goodwin made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to pay Highway Bills in the amount of \$66,120.70 being vouchers No. 18-96 to No. 18-119. Roll call vote: Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. The main expense for Highway was to Suit-Kote Corp. for stone and oil.

Councilman Yastremski made motion seconded by Councilman Burns to pay Water District #1 Bills in the amount of \$10,654.46 being vouchers No. 18-56 to No. 18-67. Roll call vote: Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. Additionally, Councilman Musso made motion seconded by Councilman Goodwin to pay Water District #1 Bills in the amount of \$2,483.32 being vouchers No. 18-53 to No. 18-55. Roll call vote: Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. Supervisor Illig mentioned the main expense for the Water District this month was for the contractual payment to the Village of Penn Yan for water.

There are no transfers this month. Balance sheets and profit & loss reports were available to view. Supervisor Illig stated the balance sheets reflect the trends that are overall on track. The Board will need to keep an eye throughout the remainder of the year on the General account due to approx. \$13,000 that was not budgeted accordingly.

The Highway, Water Department, Municipal Services, DCO, and Justice reports were all available to review.

Clerk Giambra reported dog license renewals are due by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Reminder postcards were sent the beginning of May. The fee is \$10.00 for spay/neutered and \$20.00 for non.

Municipal Services Manager Welch stated the Dept. is very busy especially on the Lake Road, as shown in his monthly report. With the building of the library he is increasingly busy with meetings but the project is moving forward and all is going well.

Along with the Water Operator report, W. O. Druzak mentioned the Dept. is in good shape overall. Currently no major new projects. We are at approx. 390 customers. It was very wise the Board budgeted appropriately for meter replacements as the need becomes more often with the 10-year mark of the Water District.

Supervisor Illig reported Assessor Dave Oliver has completed the Town wide reassessment and letters have been sent to residents regardless if assessment value increased or decreased. For those that disagreed with the reassessment, Grievance Day was held Thursday May 24, 2018 from 4-6pm and 7-9pm. Supervisor Illig stated out of approx. 1700 parcels 37 residents contacted Assessor Oliver with 13 residents attending Grievance Day. The outcomes varied as some reassessments were reduced, some were changed due to stipulations and other received no change. Supervisor Illig stated overall there were a small amount of issues and thanked Assessor Oliver and the Board of Assessment Review for their time and efforts. The tentative assessments have been sent to the County and the final assessment roll will go into effect July 1, 2018.

Highway Superintendent Gibson reported the Dept. has been grading and graveling roads. They completed stone and oiling Bean Station and Depew Roads with the assistance of the Towns of Prattsburgh and Urbana. They helped the County haul gravel on County Route 7. All (3) of the older Highway trucks ('98 Volvo, '92 MAC, and the '98 GMC) that were placed on Auctions International for (2) weeks sold very well. For all (3) they sold for approx. \$41,000. The Town should receive the payment within 5-6wks. Lastly, Highway Supt. Gibson introduced Wade Hilton who has been hired as the new Highway crew member. He has a wide knowledge of equipment and is already fitting in well with the crew. Supervisor Illig welcomed Wade on behalf of the Town and Board.

Regarding the Supervisor report, Supervisor Illig commented we had another successful Memorial Day Celebration this year. Residents have even requested him to publish Matt Nesbitt's speech in the next Grapevine edition. He will get the speech from Matt and ask Librarian Barb Radigan to publish. Thanks to all involved!

Supervisor Illig reported the Planning Board did not have any applications to review nor hear so there was not a meeting for June on the 11<sup>th</sup>. The next scheduled ZBA meeting is July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm with potentially (3) applications to review.

Under old business, Supervisor Illig reported the Library has secured the funding to complete the structure and project of the new building. They started construction with the need to acquire further grant money, however a resident has come forward and contributed the money needed to finish. Supervisor Illig was told the Library is expecting to be in the new building next April 2019. The Library will be making an official announcement in the near future in regards to the donation and contributor.

As discussed earlier, in regards to the new Highway employee, Wade Hilton has been hired. Welcome!

Continuing with old business, Supervisor Illig stated the Fire Dept./Ambulance Corp. has identified (3) individuals (Dan Radigan, Don Ballam, and Ken Forenz) they want to represent them in the joint committee with the Town to further discuss the future of the Ambulance building/ Town Hall. It is the desire of the Town to move all employees, with the exception of the Highway Dept., into the Town Hall and (1) building eliminating the need for the Ambulance building/Town office building that holds Lauren, Chuck and Dave. Being this is a joint issue and concern it has been agreed to form a

combined committee to determine the best solution in moving forward for all involved. Supervisor Illig stated he would like either W.O. Dluzak or Municipal Services Manager Welch, a Council member and himself to represent the committee for the Town. Councilman Yastremski volunteered and Chuck and Lauren will decide and inform the Board. Supervisor Illig would like everyone to meet by the end of June and will report back at the July meeting.

Under new business, Supervisor Illig stated he sent a news release to the Board last week regarding a septic permit the Switzerland Inn is applying for through the DEC. A summary of the situation is a septic system was installed in 1994 and has since never been inspected by the DOH nor the DEC as required. Neither Department took responsibility as to whose job it was to inspect. Therefore, since 1994 treated wastewater has been entering into the lake unmaintained (by multiple owners). This results in a reasonable cause for concern for the neighbors whose drinking water source comes directly from the lake as they have no municipal water. The Town of Wayne has cited the Switz with a violation requiring them to pump-out their holding tanks and not use their current wastewater system. The Switz has applied for a system as they had before only upgraded. The treated wastewater will still be pumped into the lake. KWIC has asked all neighboring municipalities to submit a letter to the DEC during this open comment period throughout the application process. Supervisor Illig has drafted a letter opposing the type of system the Switz is applying for allowing treated sewage to enter the lake. Supervisor Illig asked the opinion of the Board and if collectively the Town of Pulteney should send the opposing letter to the DEC. There was discussion regarding safety of the system which is DEC approved and meets State standards. There was concern that inspection will be missed again as it has been for 24 years. It is believed the neighbors will be particularly vigilant now regarding ensuring proper inspections. It was asked what other types of systems are used around the lake. Supervisor Illig noted only businesses are allowed to have the type of septic system the Switz is applying for, no private residence is allowed to have. This is due to volume of a business vs. private residence. The Lakeside Restaurant is installing a newer system that will go underneath the parking lot ensuring no lake involvement. It is not known if the Switz has investigated any other type of system. KWIC has FOILED the DEC as far as what other types of systems are used for businesses around the lake. It is KWIC's position the State has shown such gross negligence regarding inspection they do not have faith moving forward therefore no system should go into the lake. They believe a commercial grade system involving a leach field that does not enter the lake would be ideal. Regarding should the Board send the letter: Councilman Goodwin, no; Councilman Musso, no; Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Supervisor Illig, no. Supervisor Illig stated by a 3:2 vote the Town of Pulteney passes on the opportunity to comment on the Switz septic application to the DEC.

Supervisor Illig asked if there were any public comments or concerns at this time. It was asked and noted with the increasing algae blooms we are experiencing on the lake, if the treated wastewater could have anything to do with this especially due to the nitrogen counts and how shallow the water is near the Switz. Supervisor Illig stated that was an excellent question and he does not know of any correlation between the two. Nothing else heard, and no need for an executive session, Supervisor Illig commented the

Board will conduct a quarterly review/audit, all are welcome to stay, however there will be no further business conducted.

Once the audit was successfully completed, Councilman Yastremski made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

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Town Clerk