

Supervisor Mark Illig called the regular meeting of the Pulteney Town Board to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, June 12, 2019, at the Pulteney Town Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Supervisor Illig turned the floor over to Steuben County Legislator, Michael Hanna, who had requested to be placed on the agenda. Mike presented Steuben Prevention Coalition Program Coordinator, Colleen Banik, to speak of the increasing rise in drug and alcohol abuse within the County. The Coalition works with 30 partnering agencies to promote healthy and safe communities in the County by reducing drug and alcohol use among teens and young adults. They use preventative techniques in the schools largely by taking surveys from the ages of 12-18. The student findings are close to the national average with marijuana on the rise along with opioid use. The Coalition sponsors several events in the area including PSA contests. Mike Foster, the Youth Center Director in Corning, was also present. He mostly spoke of the increase use of marijuana since the legalization in Washington and Colorado. He is hoping New York State does not follow suit. It will be up again for vote in June. Regionally, upstate New York is against legalization with downstate and the Governor in favor of. At the very least, he is hoping legalization is stalled until potency and dosage regulations can be in effect. Amanda Chafee, who works in the District Attorneys Office, spoke of her involvement with the Coalition due to her daily dealings with substance abusers, drug overdoses, accidents, etc. through her job as an Attorney. Supervisor Illig commented the City of Corning recently passed a Resolution to ban legalization in Corning. Attorney Prossick stated the County did as well in 2017. Mike Hanna provided a draft Resolution for the Board to consider passing. Hornell and Urbana are also seriously considering passing. The presenters thanked the Board for their time to discuss the drug/alcohol epidemic and can offer more information at any time if wanted.

There were not any recent Town passing's for Bill Weber to speak of for this month.

Councilman Musso made motion seconded by Councilman Burns to accept the minutes of the May 8, 2019 regular Board meeting. All in favor. Carried.

Councilman Yastremski made motion seconded by Councilman Goodwin to pay General Bills in the amount of \$6,422.40 being vouchers No. 19-103 to No. 19-127. Roll call vote: Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. Supervisor Illig stated vouchers were overall routine.

Councilman Musso made motion seconded by Councilman Yastremski to pay Highway Bills in the amount of \$31,496.97 being vouchers No. 19-101 to No. 19-122 and voucher No. 19-123. Roll call vote: Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. Supervisor Illig pointed out voucher No. 19-123 to Nelson & Streeter Construction Co. for \$22,540.00 is for the paving of the parking lot with payment split with the library. There were some unexpected issues with paving involving a gas tank leak and soft spots in sections of the lot, therefore the cost ended up being \$2,540.00 over budget. Highway

Supt. Gibson asked why this expense is coming out of the Highway budget and not General? Supervisor Illig stated it was approved last fall in the 2019 budget to allow the extra \$20,000.00 Highway fund balance to be used specifically for the paving project. In essence, since the \$20,000.00 was budgeted this should not change his current budget with the exception of the \$2,540.00 unexpected additional expense.

Councilman Burns made motion seconded by Councilman Goodwin to pay Water District #1 Bills in the amount of \$9,554.88 being vouchers No. 19-65 to No. 19-73. Roll call vote: Councilman Goodwin, yes; Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Yastremski, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Supervisor Illig, yes. Carried. Vouchers all being routine including the contractual payment of \$7,674.00 to the Village of Penn Yan for water.

Balance sheets and profit & loss reports were available to view. There are no transfers for this month. Supervisor Illig pointed out there is a primary concern with the General fund balance mainly due to the tax cap calculation error in which \$23,132.00 needed to be transferred into a tax cap reserve account. Otherwise the accounts (Highway and Water) are in good shape.

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

Clerk Giambra reported dog license renewals are due by June 30th. Also a reminder, the Democratic Caucus will be held at the Town Hall Monday, June 17, 2019 at 7PM.

As can be seen in his report, Municipal Services Manager Welch commented the Dept. is busy as usual! Seasonal residents are returning and construction and permits continue to increase. He noted the new floating docks at the Waterfront Restaurant were permitted by the OGS (Office of General Services) and Clerk Giambra has a letter and copy of the permit in any questions arise.

Water Operator Dluzak agreed as the Water Dept. remains busy with meter replacements. In addition, we have passed the 400 mark of active water customers.

Supervisor Illig met with Assessor Oliver who gave him a report of Grievance Day that was held May 30th from 4-6PM and 7-9PM. The report was provided to the Board. There were 10 parcels overall that were being grieved, mostly due to an administrative issue or ag exemption. The BAR gave out a few stipulations, however most assessments remained unchanged.

Supervisor Illig reported he spoke with DCO John Ballam and has been informed the dog kennel we contract with Betty Walden is no longer in service and we need to find a permanent alternative. On average, we have 8 to 10 dogs per year that need to be kenneled until their owner is found. Clerk Giambra provided the SPCA with documentation to take to their Board for approval for the Town to use their services and will report back. Clerk Giambra and Supervisor Illig spoke with the DCO for Wayland/Cohocton and they are building a new kennel currently. In the future they can possibly offer their services once they are up and running. Highway Supt. Gibson mentioned Urbana is also building a kennel across the street from their Highway barn that could be a possible option. Supervisor Illig will update further once more information is received.

Highway Superintendent Gibson reported we accepted a bid of \$15,200.00 for the old roller that was placed on Auctions International. The Dept. has been ditching on Brown Road, Depew Road, and Haire Road. They finished mowing roadsides and the

DEC came in to inspect all fuel tanks. As mentioned earlier, the Town Hall/library paving has been completed and the tennis/pickleball court is ready for Larry's paving. Weather dependent, Larry's paving should be able to start work the week of June 24th. Lastly reported, Highway Supt. Gibson and Deputy Tears attended 3 days of Highways school in Ithaca.

Supervisor Illig reported the annual Memorial Day celebration was perfect with attendance increasing each year. He wanted to thank the speaker and neighbor John Schutt, Carter Thompson, Councilman Burns, and Clerk Giambra for their efforts in making it a great event. He also wanted to mention the grand opening of the new library has been scheduled for Saturday, June 29th from 1-4PM. On June 22nd they will start moving books and are looking for volunteers to assist. Once the library has officially moved out of the office space, the Board will need to take a serious look as to how to proceed with moving Lauren, Chuck and Dave into the Town Hall. Lastly, Supervisor Illig read an article from the Steuben Courier Advocate honoring Pulteney native Nancy Snyder for her work as a senior volunteer in Steuben County. She was honored in Albany in May. The honor is extremely well deserved and we thank Nancy for her service!

Regarding the Council report, Councilman Burns stated the annual United Way Volunteer Day will be Friday, June 21st. There is a crew from Corning set to help build picnic tables and clean up the Community Garden. The materials are there and once the tables are built; we can look into ordering the previously approved grills. Supervisor Illig commented he recently spoke with Eli Hill and for his Eagle Scout project he is going to work on the Veterans Memorial in Glen View Cemetery. He plans to make a frame for the Veterans plaque and power wash the cannon and clean up the surrounding area. He will come to a future meeting and explain further and plans to have the project completed by the end of August. Councilman Goodwin reported he has contact info of an individual to complete the striping for the tennis/pickleball court. He recently did work at the Best Western hotel, has a new machine, and did a great job. Supervisor Illig stated that is great news and he will contact asap to get a quote for the striping.

There is not a Planning Board meeting for June, however there will be a meeting scheduled for July 8, 2019. There is a ZBA meeting scheduled for June 18th at 7PM with 2 public hearings.

Under old business, as discussed last month, Supervisor Illig stated in moving forward with the Ambulance building lot sub-division, a variance is needed first. There is currently 61ft of road frontage and 75ft is needed according to the Town Zoning Law in District #4. This is (1) of the scheduled hearings to go in front of the ZBA June 18th. The sub-division application will go under review in front of the Planning Board July 8th. Further updates to come.

Regarding the tennis courts, as noted earlier, Larry's paving is scheduled for the week of June 24th. The Highway Dept. will haul away the remnants of materials from the torn-up court as soon as the weather allows. Supervisor Illig commented he has tried to get in touch with Top Dog Studio, as mentioned last meeting, to see about getting a quote for the striping, however he has not been able to contact as of yet. As Councilman Goodwin suggested, Supervisor Illig will contact another individual in the meantime to get a quote.

Under new business, Supervisor Illig wants to take a look at employee health insurance coverage in the next few months comparing costs to ensure we are getting the best coverage at an appropriate rate. Coverage is negotiated through the Highway Dept. employee union contract. Supervisor Illig will report back once a comparable review has been made.

Supervisor Illig asked if there were any public comments or concerns at this time. With nothing heard an no need for an executive session, Supervisor Illig stated a quarterly review/audit is needed. All are welcome to stay, however there will be no further business conducted.

Bookkeeper Welch provided all necessary documents for a formal quarterly audit which was completed successfully.

Councilman Yastremski made motion seconded by Councilman Burns to adjourn the meeting. All if favor. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

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