

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN TOWN HALL, 80 GEORGE STREET, FORT ANN, NY

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Moore
Councilwoman Deb Witherell
Councilman Dennis Fletcher
Councilwoman Gretchen Stark
Councilman Floyd Varney

OTHERS PRESENT: Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk, Helen Denno, Bookkeeper, Floyd Ladd, Bob Cutter, Joe Loszynski, Don Ballard, Gene Connell, Rob Ladd, Bill Bailey, Penny Gould

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

This meeting was published in the Post Star October 28, 2016 and appeared under Today's Meetings section of the Post Star November 10, 2016.

Supervisor Moore opened the meeting by reminding those in attendance that there had been a budget workshop 10/3/16 and another budget workshop 10/17/16. He proceeded to go down the 11 page tentative 2017 budget.

Supervisor Moore asked if any of the Board members had any questions/comments/concerns with the 2017 tentative budget.

Councilwoman Stark had some questions regarding the proposed 2017 Hadlock budget. Mr. Loszynski answered her questions.

- 1.1 **2017 Budget Public Hearing** opened at 7:40 p.m. with Joe Loszynski reading a prepared statement regarding having the Park Administrator position be paid. A paper copy is available in the Town Clerk's Office for anyone that would like a copy and will also be made a part of the minutes.

The public hearing was closed at 8:08 p.m.

- 1.2 **2017 Pilot Knob Volunteer Firefighters Assoc., Inc. \$93,200.00 (contract) Public Hearing opened at 8:09 p.m.** – with no comments it was closed at 8:10 p.m.

- 1.3 **2017 Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company \$202,890.00 (contract) Public Hearing opened at 8:11 p.m.** – Don Ballard advised there was not any Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company representation at the budget workshop where their budget was decreased by \$1,500.00. Some of the Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company members recently met and agreed they need to have the Town Board put the \$1,500.00 back into their 2017 budget. The Town Board Members voted unanimously to put the \$1,500.00 back into the Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company budget. The Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company public hearing closed at 8:14 p.m.

- 1.4 **2017 West Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company \$242,884.00 (contract) Public Hearing opened at 8:15 p.m.** – Supervisor Moore asked West Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company to submit checking account balance, savings account balance and a list of expenses between now and 12/31/16 by

the 11/14/16 public hearing. The West Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company public hearing closed at 8:16 p.m.

1.5 2017 Fort Ann Rescue Squad \$139,301.00 (contract) Public Hearing opened at 8:16 p.m. – Don Ballard advised he will be ending his 40 year career with the EMS 12/31/16. He stated the Rescue Squad ran on \$88,640.00 when there were numerous volunteers. He stated this year like he has the last couple of years that there aren't enough volunteers and won't be enough volunteers to keep the Rescue Squad Services going for the residents of the Town of Fort Ann. The public hearing closed at 8:16 p.m.

1.6 Override Tax Levy Limit General Municipal Law Section 3-C - TABLED

1.7 Open Kayak Bids at 8:37 p.m.

Two sealed bids were received and opened for the Canal Park Kayak Launch.

- 1) Kay-aKcess, 470 Coral Creek Dr., Cape Haze, FL 33946 (\$9,063.00)
- 2) The Dock Doctors, 19 Little Otter Lane, Ferrisburgh, VT 05456 (\$9,300.00)

Bid to be awarded at the November 14, 2016 Town Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Fort Ann Fire House.

1.8 Declare November 14, 2016 Virginia Parrott Day

Motion was made by Councilwoman Stark, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to declare November 14, 2016 Virginia Parrott Day.

Motion was carried and a plaque will be presented to Mrs. Parrott at the November 14, 2016 Town Board Meeting.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilman Varney to adjourn meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Ann, New York

Dated: November 17, 2016