

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Moore
Councilman Dennis Fletcher
Councilwoman Gretchen Stark
Councilwoman Deborah Witherell
Councilman Samuel Hall

ABSENT: Paul Winchell, Highway Superintendent, Mark Miller, P/T Enforcement Officer, Christine Milligan, Town Historian, Todd Humiston, Dog Control Officer

OTHERS PRESENT: Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk, Helen Denno, Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor/Bookkeeper, Jeff Meyer, Attorney for the Town, Penny Gould, Bill Bailey, George F. Smith, Gene Connell, Arlene Green, Dale Grinnell

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence was held for deceased Fort Ann residents Rose A. Blair and David R. Hafele. Supervisor Moore also wanted to include the father of Highway worker, Fred Walkup, when taking a moment of silence as he also passed away on Friday, April 5, 2019.

On motion of Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilman Fletcher to approve tonight's agenda.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to accept the Regular Town Board Minutes of March 11, 2019.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor Moore read the March 2019 monthly financial statement.

Receipts for the month of March

General Fund \$170,642.32

Disbursements

General Fund \$355,808.94

Highway \$ 81,445.01

Checking Account Balances

General Fund \$ 75,880.38

Highway Fund \$ 20,046.09

Youth Commission \$ 1,114.80

Hadlock Dam Project \$ 240.05

Hadlock Park District Fund \$ 3,744.45

Consolidated Health District \$ 1,016.25

Trust & Agency Fund \$ 843.95

Medical Reimbursement Fund \$ 9,402.50

Savings Accounts

NYCLASS – General Fund	\$ 451,983.88
NYCLASS – Highway Fund	\$1,029,154.64
Hadlock Park District	\$ 259,332.20
LOSAP	\$ 18,445.40

Motion was introduced by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to pay the bills as warranted and audited.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Notice of Public Hearing was published in *The Post Star* March 28, 2019.

6:05 p.m. Public Hearing opened regarding the adoption of a proposed Local Law to repeal Local Law Number 3 of 1996, the Flood Damage Prevention local law of the Town of Fort Ann.

6:06 p.m. Public Hearing closed without comment.

6:06 p.m. Public Hearing opened regarding the adoption of a LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR FLOOD DAMAGE IN THE TOWN OF FORT ANN.

6:07 p.m. Public Hearing closed without comment.

Supervisor’s Report: Supervisor Moore announced that the annual sexual harassment training will take place at the Fort Ann fire house on April 18, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. – noon. Anyone receiving compensation from the Town of Fort Ann is expected to attend this mandatory training.

Supervisor Moore contacted the town’s insurance carrier because after the recent high winds it was noticed that there were about 20 slate squares missing from the Town Hall roof. Supervisor Moore received a quote for approximately \$700.00 to repair.

Supervisor Moore stated that there will be Skywarn Training on May 1, 2019 from 7-9PM at the Washington County Municipal Center. If there is anyone interested in learning more about the weather and would like to help your community please see the Town Clerk for further information.

Supervisor Moore stated a Fort Ann resident recently stopped by the Town Hall to ask if he could use a metal detector at the library grounds and perhaps other properties that the town owns. The Town Board unanimously decided this was not a good idea and are not giving their permission to do so.

Supervisor Moore and the Fort Ann Highway Superintendent have had several meetings with Randy at Northern Trucking regarding the Harvester. Charlie Hildebrand was able to attend the last meeting on April 2, 2019. It was agreed to replace valve box, new hydraulic pump to keep temperature where it needs to be. Price to repair is approximately \$7,500.00 which includes parts, labor, hoses and freight. Another \$1,200 - \$1,300.00 for hydraulic fluid.

On motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark for Supervisor Moore to authorize and execute any documents to repair the Harvester.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor Moore read the following from the Fort Ann Town Tax Collector dated April 4, 2019:

Original Warrant:	\$6,606,672.47
Warrant Adjustment:	\$ 501.94
Total Adjusted Warrant:	\$6,606,170.53
Collector's Amount:	\$5,916,612.60
Total Taxes Collected:	\$5,451,529.22
Outstanding taxes to be collected:	\$ 465,083.38

Supervisor Moore announced the Adirondack Triathlon being held May 5, 2019.

Supervisor Moore mentioned Casey Bush is painting four (4) historical signs along the roads of Fort Ann. All four (4) Bush sons (Cole, Caleb, Carter and Casey) have accomplished becoming Eagle scouts. Carter and Casey will be recognized at a future Town Board meeting.

Councilwoman Stark: Councilwoman Stark mentioned that the Office for the Aging nominated Senior of the year and there are two (2) chosen from Fort Ann (Arlene Green and Anthony Cantanucci).

Councilwoman Stark announced that there is an 8 session (April through June) free workshop series for seniors on journaling with a sketching component. The deadline is April 12, 2019.

Councilwoman Stark stated that Washington County is sending out a 2019 needs assessment survey to those over 60. The questionnaire will assist the Washington County Office for the Aging identify the needs for Community-Based Services. This information will help to plan future services and programs.

There will be a luncheon at the Old Stonehouse Library on April 16, 2019 and you need to call Pat Monahan for reservations.

Councilwoman Stark stated that the Canalway Trail is coming along from Fort Edward to Fort Ann. The state has cut trees and it's wide open and going to happen by summer of 2020.

Councilwoman Stark stated the summer recreation program will take place at the Fort Ann fire house rather than the school this summer. She stated she has three (3) lifeguards and will be having a meeting with them.

Councilman Hall: Councilman Hall announced that on April 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. the Fort Ann Rotary and the Fort Ann Town Board will be cleaning up the Waterfront Park. This will include cutting brush, pulling weeds, planting flowers, painting gazebo, etc. Any and all are welcome to participate in this annual event.

Councilman Hall stated that the grant papers have been sent to Mr. Caprood and this project is moving forward.

Town Clerk's Report was given for March 2019.

Highway Superintendent Report: Absent

Enforcement Officer Report: Absent - paper copy of report was given to Town Board Member's for March 2019.

Dog Control Officer: Absent - paper copy of report given to Town Board Member's for March 2019.

Historian: Christine Milligan not in attendance but Dale Grinnell reported out that the painting of the signs has taken place by Casey Bush for his Eagle Scout project. Dale stated he was glad the town board voted no to using a metal detector on Fort Ann properties because if artifacts were found and touched/moved they lose their value.

Mr. Grinnell stated that the Red Cross will install three (3) free fire alarms. Supervisor Moore will call 518-694-5121 and get this information on the Town Hall bulletin board and town's website.

RESOLUTION #62-19

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2019 A LOCAL LAW REPEALING THE 1996 FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION LOCAL LAW OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN

On motion of Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to accept resolution entitled "Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of Local Law #3 of 2019 a Local Law repealing the 1996 Flood Damage Prevention Local Law of the Town of Fort Ann."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Hall, Stark, Fletcher, Witherell, Moore

RESOLVED, pursuant to and in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to enter Local Law No. 3 of 2019 into the minutes of this meeting and file the same with the Office of the Secretary of the State of the State of New York.

RESOLUTION #63-19

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2019 ENTITLED: A LOCAL LAW SETTING FORTH THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION IN THE TOWN OF FORT ANN

On motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Fletcher to accept resolution entitled "Resolution Adopting Local Law No. 4 of 2019 Entitled: A Local Law Setting Forth the Flood Damage Prevention in the Town of Fort Ann."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Hall, Witherell, Stark, Fletcher, Moore

RESOLVED, pursuant to and in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to enter Local Law No. 4 of 2019 into the minutes of this meeting and file the same with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

RESOLUTION #64-19

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT WITH NYS DEC TO YORK RAKE SHELIVING ROCK PARKING LOTS, TRASH COLLECTION AND YORK RAKE DACY CLEARING ROAD

On motion of Councilwoman Stark, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to accept resolution entitled "Resolution Authorizing Supervisor to Execute Contract with NYS DEC to York Rake Sheliving Rock Parking Lots, Trash Collection and York Rake Dacy Clearing Road."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Hall, Witherell, Stark, Fletcher, Moore

RESOLVED, the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all agreements and related documents associated therewith with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, to York rake Shelving Rock Parking Lots, trash collection and York rake Dacy Clearing Road.

RESOLUTION #65-19

APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF 2019 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

On motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to accept resolution entitled "Resolution Appointing Director of 2019 Summer Recreation Program."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Hall, Witherell, Stark, Fletcher, Moore

RESOLVED, that the Fort Ann Town Board hereby appoints Walter "OC" West, 10566 State Rte 149, Fort Ann, New York 12827 as the 2019 Director of Summer Recreation Program at an annual salary of \$3,000.00.

RESOLUTION #66-19

APPOINTING 2019 VOLUNTEER LIFEGUARD FOR SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

On motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Fletcher to accept resolution entitled "Resolution Appointing 2019 Volunteer Lifeguard for Summer Recreation Program."

ADOPTED AYES 4 Hall, Witherell, Fletcher, Moore
 ABSTAIN 1 Stark

RESOLVED, that the Fort Ann Town Board does hereby appoint Gretchen Stark, 364 Hadlock Pond Road, Fort Ann, New York 12827 to serve as a volunteer, without compensation of any sort, in the Town Summer Recreation Program as a lifeguard for the summer of 2019.

RESOLUTION #67-19

AWARD BID FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF HOGTOWN CULVERT – PIN 1760.76/LD 0035568, BRIDGE NY REPLACEMENT OF THE HOGTOWN ROAD CULVERT OVER MOUNT HOPE BROOK, TOWN OF FORT ANN, WASHINGTON COUNTY

On motion of Councilwoman Stark, seconded by Councilman Fletcher to accept resolution entitled "Resolution to Award Bid for the Replacement of Hogtown Culvert – PIN 1760.76/LD 0035568, Bridge NY Replacement of the Hogtown Road Culvert over Mount Hope Brook, Town of Fort Ann, Washington County."

ADOPTED AYES 5 Hall, Witherell, Stark, Fletcher, Moore

RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into an agreement with James H. Maloy, Inc. for the replacement of the Hogtown Road Culvert over Mount Hope Brook and execute any and all other documents and/or agreements necessary to effectuate this resolution.

6:33 p.m. Open Public Discussion

6:34 p.m. Closed Public Discussion with nothing being brought forth.

6:34 p.m. motion was introduced by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilman Fletcher to enter into executive session to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation. Also, medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person/corp, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion, or suspension.

7:08 p.m. motion was introduced by Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilman Hall to return to public session.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Witherell moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Stark; all members voting in favor to adjourn at 7:09 p.m., with no action having been taken in the executive session or in open session on matters before the Town Board.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Total Abstracts:	General:	\$12,269.50
	Highway:	\$19,665.85
	Hadlock Park District:	\$12,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

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

Dated: April 15, 2019