

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN TOWN HALL

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Paul Winchell, Highway Superintendent, Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk, Jeff Meyer, Attorney for the Town, Gwen Craig, The Post Star, Joseph Loszynski, Todd Humiston, Dog Control Officer, Mark Miller, Enforcement Officer, Dale Grinnell, Christine Milligan, Bill Bailey, Penny Gould, Chad Wilson, Michele Vara, Gene Connell, Floyd Ladd, Arlene Green

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 Glenn "Skip" Bearor, Geneva (Tremins) Gregorio Elms, Phyllis (Brownell) Shaw, Richard Suttle and Doris Fleming.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to accept tonight's agenda.

Motion was carried.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell to accept the Regular Town Board Minutes of July 9, 2018.

Motion was carried.

Supervisor Moore read the July 2018 monthly financial statement.

Receipts for the month of July

General Fund \$ 90,717.69

Disbursements

General Fund \$ 98,196.33

Highway \$ 58,245.38

Checking Account Balances

General Fund \$ 49,896.57

Highway Fund \$ 78,982.76

Youth Commission \$ 8,688.81

Hadlock Dam Project \$ 239.97

Hadlock Park District Fund \$ 23,982.53

Consolidated Health District \$ 461.91

Trust & Agency Fund \$ 749.81

Medical Reimbursement Fund \$ 100.89

Savings Accounts

General Fund	\$485,209.30
Hadlock Park District	\$154,152.34
Highway Fund	\$855,481.76
LOSAP	\$ 15,216.97

Supervisor Moore advised that the Town Board Member’s should have received 2nd quarter Actual to Budget from the Budget Officer and did anyone have any questions/comments. There were no questions/comments.

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

Motion was carried.

Public comment opened at 6:05 p.m. on tonight’s agenda.

Public comment closed at 6:06 p.m. with no comments.

Supervisor’s Report: There will be a Special Town Board Meeting Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Fort Ann Town Hall to open bids for the replacement of the Hogtown Road Culvert over Mt. Hope Brook. No decision will be made at the Special Town Board Meeting. The engineering firm, GPI, will review the numbers and will notify Supervisor Moore of who the bid will be awarded to.

On August 20, 2018 the Budget Officer will distribute 2019 budget forms to department heads. The first budget workshop will be October 2, 2018; followed by the second budget workshop 2 weeks later; the public hearing will be November 8, 2018 and the 2019 budget will be adopted on November 13, 2018. All dates will be listed on the town’s website (www.townoffortannny.com). There is also a paper copy available at the Town Clerk’s office for anyone wishing to have a paper copy.

Supervisor Moore stated that there have been numerous dog complaints with regards to Pilot Knob Beach and Pilot Knob Beach Road. Supervisor Moore recommends having a 2’ x 3’ sign added to the Town of Fort Ann existing sign on Pilot Knob Road that states LEASH LAW ENFORCED. Supervisor Moore will be at Washington County Wednesday, August 15, 2018, and will ask the Washington County Highway Superintendent, Deb Donohue, if the sign shop would be able to make a sign for the Town of Fort Ann.

Supervisor Moore and the Town Board Members received a thank you letter from Arlene Green, President, on behalf of the Old Stone House Library Committee for their support of the “Fantastic Fridays” and their commitment to the children of Fort Ann.

Supervisor Moore stated the he and the Highway Superintendent are going to try to locate pins at the Old Stone House Library in the next couple of weeks. There is a need for better parking at The Old Stone House Library and if they can’t locate pins they will have the property surveyed. A grant has been applied for to assist with this cost.

Supervisor Moore stated he received a phone call from resident on Oakley Way requesting that no salt/sand be used on Pilot Knob Road. The Town of Fort Ann doesn’t maintain Pilot Knob Road, it is

maintained by Washington County. Supervisor Moore referred matter to Washington County Highway Superintendent, Deb Donahue.

The next Planning Board meeting is scheduled for August 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. there will be a public hearing regarding ADK MX camping.

On August 22, 2018 Supervisor Moore will be at the Fort William Henry regarding Storm Water Regulations.

Councilwoman Stark announced that Pat Nolan was part of a group that held an event to benefit Make-A-Wish at the Adirondack Bar and Grill and it generated \$44,000.00. She wanted to mention this because Pat Nolan is such a big contributor to the annual ice fishing derby that the town holds every January and this year \$250.00 was donated to Make-A-Wish from the proceeds from ice fishing derby.

Councilwoman Stark stated that Barb Eagle sent in a picture that was taken in front of the Catholic Church in Fort Ann and she received Honorable Mention.

Councilwoman Stark stated that the summer recreation program ended August 10th and it was extremely successful.

Councilwoman Stark reminded everyone that there is Office for the Aging information on the Town Hall bulletin board.

Councilman Hall thanked Supervisor Moore for taking care of the odor that the library water had.

Councilman Hall stated that on August 9th George Sherwood met with Kathy Robertson, Civil War Trust, and they walked along where the Battle Hill trail will be. Kathy Robertson will be preparing the grant.

Councilman Hall stated that at the September 10th Town Board Meeting The LA Group is scheduled for a presentation.

Town Clerk's Report was given for July 2018.

Highway Superintendent Report: The Highway Superintendent stated that there have been a few washouts on dirt roads to take care of. The Highway Department has starting their paving projects. The Highway Superintendent mentioned that the price of blacktop has gone up. He had hoped to be able to do some paving behind the prison but with the cost of blacktop going up that is not going to happen.

The Highway Superintendent stated he needed to purchase a painted sander. He stated the new painted steel sander is less than \$13,800.00. He stated he asked the Budget Officer and there is money in the equipment fund for this purchase.

On motion of Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilwoman Witherell authorizing the purchase of a new painted sander.

Motion was carried.

The Highway Superintendent also mentioned that he ordered carbides to avoid the 30 tariff.

Enforcement Officer Report was given for the month of July 2018. Councilman Fletcher stated he had heard from the residents at Morgans Lane that 7 Morgans Lane hasn't been mowed all year. Mark Miller will contact Washington County Code Enforcement about this issue.

Historian Report: Dale Grinnell explained that when you see Fort Anne with the "e" on the end it is being used in a historical sense (back in revolutionary time). If you see Fort Ann without the "e" it is modern times.

Lake Hadlock Project Manager, Joseph Loszynski, emailed a copy of his matters pending from progress report to the Town Board Member's. A paper copy is on file in the Town Clerk's Office for anyone who would like a copy. Supervisor Moore stated he'd like to schedule a workshop on September 13th at 1:00 p.m. about the duties/responsibilities of the Lake Hadlock Park Manager position. He'd like to see Mr. Loszynski speak for the first 30 minutes and then the Board to have a dialogue with Mr. Loszynski for the next 30 minutes. No voting will take place. Councilman Hall asked about paragraph three(3) in Mr. Loszynski's report where it states it's closed and shouldn't it say pending.

Dog Control Report: paper copy was given to Town Board Member's. Todd Humiston stated he followed up on Pilot Knob issue per Supervisor Moore's request. He spoke with some residents and things get better until the next set of renters come in with dogs not being on leashes. Todd feels a sign about the leash law as you are entering Pilot Knob Road would be beneficial.

RESOLUTION #92-18

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

On motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to accept resolution entitled "Resolution Authorizing Supervisor to execute contract with NYS DEC to York rake Shelving Rock parking lots, trash collection and York rake Dacy Clearing Road."

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

RESOLVED, that 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 #93-18

TO MODIFY THE 2018 BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT THROUGH AUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL TO EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUTURE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

On motion of Councilman Fletcher, seconded by Councilman Hall to accept resolution entitled "Resolution to modify the 2018 budget by appropriating proceeds from sale of surplus equipment through Auctions International to equipment account for the purpose of future equipment purchase(s)."

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

RESOLVED, that the 2018 budget shall be amended by appropriating funds to accounts as indicated.

RESOLUTION #94-18

FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR LAKE TO LOCKS PASSAGE GRANT APPLICATION TO 2018 NYS COUNCIL

On motion of Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to accept resolution entitled "Resolution for Letter of Support for Lake to Locks Passage Grant Application to 2018 NYS Council."

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

RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby authorizes the issuance of a letter of support for the Lake to Locks passage grant applications to 2018 NYS Council on the Arts and Cultural Programming for the Locks by Locks.

Open Public Discussion at 6:45 p.m. Arlene Green wanted to thank the Town Board again for their support of the Fantastic Friday's and taking care of the water issue at The Old Stone House Library.

Close Public Discussion at 6:47 p.m.

6:48 p.m. Supervisor Moore announced that executive session would be necessary to discuss 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. Motion was introduced by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to go into executive session.

Motion was carried.

7:06 p.m. Motion was introduced by Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to return to regular session.

Motion was carried.

Motion was introduced by Councilwoman Witherell, seconded by Councilman Fletcher to send a letter tomorrow to Matthew Jones, Planning Board Member, stating that because he has missed three (3) meetings in a year that the Town Board is asking for his resignation before the August 27, 2018 Planning Board Meeting. If no response then a second letter would be going out on August 28, 2018 advising Mr. Jones that he is being removed from the Town of Fort Ann Planning Board.

Motion was carried.

Motion was introduced by Councilman Hall, seconded by Councilwoman Stark to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.

Motion was carried.

Total Abstracts:	General:	\$ 20,167.61
	Highway:	\$ 16,555.50
	Hadlock Park District:	\$ 1,064.61

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Winchell, Town Clerk

Dated: August 15, 2018

Town of Fort Ann, New York