

REGULAR MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes of the Parish Town Board held December 17th, 2015 at the Village Gym. Supervisor Stelmashuck called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Stephen Stelmashuck, Supervisor
John Dunham, Councilor
G.R. Horning, Councilor
Carra Watson, Councilor
John Horning, Councilor
Kelly Reader, Town Clerk

Also Present: George Korthas, Hwy Sup't; Krista Alsworth, Bill Alsworth, Bill Scriber; Planning Board Chair; Reginald Ware; Rich Lopitz, Assessor; L.J. Harvey, Fire Chief; Bob Genant, Town Attorney; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Rep. and Craig Petit.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

November Minutes: A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by Councilor Watson to approve the November Minutes as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

Supervisor's Financial Report: The Supervisor's Financial Report was presented to the Board for review and filed with the clerk.

Revenue Report: The Regular and Justice Revenue Reports were presented to the Board for review and filed with the clerk.

January Calendar: The January calendar was presented for review. A motion was made by Councilor Dunham, seconded by Councilor John Horning to schedule a Joint Meeting on January 14, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Roll taken...motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CARPP: Councilor Watson reported the Tree Lighting Ceremony went well. The activities for the children at the gym went very well also.

Emergency Services, Engineering, Public Safety and Water: Councilor Dunham stated that the Water Committee met. More people have expressed an interest in serving on the Water Committee. The Committee will keep in contact with the Towns of Hastings and Mexico to continue to pursue options for water.

Budgeting and Financial Affairs: no report.

Infrastructure and Public Facilities:

There are several items that need to be addressed in the spring.

General Government and Policy: The fire contract will be paid in two installments. The payments will be made on Feb. 18th and June 16th.

The State conducted an audit on the APW School budgets. The findings were that the school over budgeted and over taxed the residents. Several options were suggested to reduce school taxes or pay off debt.

REPORTS:

Legislator's Report: no report.

Highway Sup't Report: Hwy Sup't Korthas gave his report.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Reader submitted a Clerk's Report and Dog License Report for November, 2015.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Lopitz gave the Assessor's Report.

CEO/ZEO Report: CEO/ZEO Bennett submitted a written CEO/ZEO Report for November, 2015.

DCO Report: No Report at this time.

Planning Board Report: November, 2015 Planning Board Regular Meeting Minutes were submitted by Lynn Wood.

Planning Board Chair Scriber stated that there are several subdivisions on hold.

The Planning Board has been working on boundary changes.

Chairman Scriber suggested that there should be better communication between the ZBA and the Planning Board.

Chairman Scriber encouraged the Town to apply for State Archive Grants. Mr. Scriber would be available to assist with writing the grant.

Fire Chief's Report: Fire Chief Harvey gave the report for November, 2015. Fire Chief Harvey stated that the firemen had a tough week with dealing with fatalities.

Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that the members of the Fire Company are greatly appreciated and they all have done an admirable job.

Tug Hill Circuit Rider's Report: Tug Hill Rep. Paul Baxter stated that the County Passed their budget last Thursday.

The County has developed a poverty task force.

Paul passed out County Winter and spring tourism brochures.

Scheduling of a Salmon River meeting in January is in process.

Hastings has 11 water districts.

The Tug Hill Local Government Conference has been scheduled for March 31, 2016.

There is a Tug Hill meeting scheduled on January 25, 2016 at 10:00 am in the Central Square Village Offices.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS, & PETITIONS:

The Town received:

An E-mail from the State Attorney General.

An E-mail from New Visions.

An E-mail from Representative Hanna.

A letter from the Tug Hill Commission stating a new Executive Director has been selected.

A Christmas card from Pathfinder Bank.

OLD BUSINESS:

Planning Board Member Vacancy: tabled.

ZBA Member Vacancy: tabled.

A motion was made by Councilor Dunham seconded by Councilor J. Horning to Bring candidates in for interviews on Monday December 28, 2015 beginning at 7:15 pm. Roll taken...motion carried.

New Business:

Set a date for the year end meeting and the year end workshop: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck seconded by Councilor G.R. Horning to reschedule the December 29, 2015 year end meeting to December 28, 2015 at 6:30 pm with the workshop to follow. Roll taken... motion carried.

Set a date for 2016 organizational meeting. A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck seconded by Councilor G.R. Horning to set the Organizational Meeting on January 7, 2016. Roll taken... motion carried.

Meeting Open to the Public: No comments.

Meeting Closed to the Public:

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to approve claims to the General Fund, those being claims #298-#318 for a total warrant of \$16,907.91. Roll taken...motion carried.

Highway Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor G. R. Horning to approve the claims to the Highway Fund, those being claims #261 to #270 for a total warrant of \$4,231.86. Roll taken...motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Dunham, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Roll taken... motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Reader