

TOWN OF AMITY

Regular Board Meeting

March 11, 2013

Present: Supervisor Charles Criss, Councilmen Mark Presutti, Don Skinner, Brian Clendenin and Zeff Zenoski

Clerk: Richard Winterhalter

Highway Superintendent

Absent: Highway Superintendent Jim Reniff, Councilman Don Skinner.

Also Present: Philip Moyer Weist Insurance, Doug Hughes of Kenworth.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Criss at 07:125 PM.

Supervisor Criss led the pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Criss waived the reading of the minutes. All board members had received via email the minutes. They all had read them.

Motion to accept the Special Meeting and Regular Meeting minutes of the February Meeting was made by Councilman Presutti. The second was made by Councilman Zenoski. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Supervisor Criss gave the floor to Philip Moyer of Weist Insurance. Mr. Moyer passed out several documents containing information regarding rates. He then explained the additional coverage's and rates of the coverage's.

Councilman Presutti asked about the accident that took place between the Superintendent of Highways Jim Reniff and a civilian vehicle for which the coverage was denied. Mr. Moyer explained that the coverage was denied to repair the damage done to the civilian vehicle. The reason for the denial resulted from State Law that indicated that if the vehicle operated by Superintendent Reniff was following the correct procedures concerning flashing lights and all required lights being on the government vehicle is not at fault for the accident. Mr Moyer further explained that damage to the Town's vehicle was covered. The board had thought that based on other explanations of the accident and the

denial of coverage that no vehicles would be covered. Mr. Moyer additionally advised the board that if they were to pay for the damage to the civilian vehicle that would be precedence setting and that no damages should be paid by the Town of Amity.

Mr. Moyer also indicated that if the Town were to lease equipment valued at over \$50,000 the insurance agency should be notified. Coverage will be assigned to the rental. The premium charged will be a percentage of the yearly premium depending on the length of time the equipment is leased or rented.

A question and answer period followed.

No decisions were made. No votes were taken.

Supervisor Criss gave the floor to Doug Hughes. Mr. Hughes passed out several packets of information regarding the truck being proposed. He also indicated the Town would require a resolution to accept and mutual purchase agreement. Mr. Hughes then gave a demonstration (pictorial) of the Truck(s) being proposed. A question and answer period followed in which Mr. Hughes answered all questions.

Councilman Presutti made a motion to purchase a 10 wheeler. Councilman Clendenin seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0-0

Supervisor Criss introduced the Safety Inspection pre trip check list. When this was presented to the Town Highway employees they indicated that they did not think this was necessary.

A motion the have a town policy to do a pre inspection of all vehicles of class 8 or more each driving day to be turned into to the Town Supervisor on a bi weekly bases for board review was made by Councilman Clendenin and a second was made by Councilman Presutti. The motion carried 4-0-0.

A resolution will be presented at the next meeting.

Supervisor Criss indicated the water project will not include Genesee Valley School District nor the Allegany County Jail lines. Councilman Zenoski provided the name of a person would be interested bidding on this project. The company is Mountain Engineering. Councilman Zenoski indicated that this company is also aware of grant money being available in the amount of \$500,000.00. Supervisor Criss explained that the cost would not exceed \$160,000.00.

Councilman Presutti pointed out that the Town of Amity has never received a letter from the State Department of Health regarding this project. He said the board only has the letter sent to the Village of Belmont which they gave to the Town.

A motion was made by Councilman Presutti and a second by Councilman Clendenin to appoint Lois Reynolds to be the Chairperson of the Planning board. The motion carried 4-0-0.

New Business:

Supervisor Criss indicated that a portion of Stryker Road was not being plowed. Supervisor Criss indicated that Superintendent Reniff would be sure this was taken care of.

Supervisor Criss told the board the owner of the property on Ackerman Hill where the shoulder was washed out has given his permission to fix the damage.

Abstract number 3 General Fund voucher 45 to Champlain Oil was pulled and reviewed by the board. The issue was that it appears that excessive money was put on the Cemetery Credit card to fuel the lawn mower. It was decided to pay this voucher and to bring the matter back to the next board meeting when Superintendent Reniff would be present to explain the charge.

Supervisor Criss told the board the \$500.00 to little had been budgeted for Fire Protection according to the contract signed by the Town and the Village of Belmont. Resolution 2013-013 to move \$500.00 from the contingency fund to the Fire protection fund was introduced. A motion to accept this resolution was made by Supervisor Criss. The motion carried 3-1-0. Councilman Presutti voted no.

Councilman Zenoski made a motion to stop heating the secondary vehicle storage building at the Town garages. The second was made by Councilman Clendenin. The motion carried 4-0-0. Superintendent Reniff will be informed.

Councilman Presutti asked if the Town had a Drug and Alcohol policy. The Town has no such policy. It was suggested that the Supervisor get in Touch with the County of Allegany regarding the policy they have. Councilman Presutti then

suggested that the Town should use the Counties policy to adopt one for the Town.

A motion to accept General abstract 3 in the amount of \$65,147.64 and Highway abstract 3 in the amount of \$36,160.14 was made by Councilman Presutti. A second was made by Councilman Zenoski. The motion carried 4-0-0.

A motion to enter executive session to discuss a Union Grievance was made by Councilman Presutti. The second was made by Councilman Clendenin. The motion carried 4-0-0. Executive Session was entered at 8:30PM.

Executive session ended at 9:20PM.

A motion to adjourn the Regular meeting was made by Councilman Clendenin. The second was made by Councilman Presutti. Motion carried 4-0-0.

The next regular board meeting will be held the April 8,2013 at 7:00PM at Town Hall.

Sincerely, Richard Winterhalter Town of Amity Clerk