

The Reorganizational Meeting for the Town of Farmersville for 2017 was called to order by Supervisor Jerry Chmiel at 7:00pm on January 16th. All stood for the pledge.

Present:

Supervisor Jerry Chmiel

Councilman Byran Spencer

Dick Westfall

Pam Tilton

Town Clerk Bridget Holmes

Hwy Superintendent Barry Tingué

Absent Councilman Tom Isaman

Guests – See sign in book

At this time Supervisor Chmiel read the following:

List of appointed positions:

Deputy Supervisor- Byran Spencer

Deputy Town Clerk 1st- Sue Holmes, 2nd – Viola Brown

Deputy Hwy Superintendent – Ken King

Bookkeeper- Diane Finch

Audit Committee- Pamela Tilton & Dick Westfall

Town Attorney – Robert Strassel

Assessor – Kay Reynolds

Board of Assessment review – Thelma Mapes, Denise Brennan and Heather Perkins

Code Enforcement – Patrick Cummings

Registrar – Bridget Holmes

Deputy Registrar – Sue Holmes

Court Clerk – Sue Holmes

Town Constable/Court Clerk- Tim Chase

ITT – Robert Spencer

Town Historian – Alice Wright

Custodial- Don Kurdziel

Control of dogs – Shared services with Franklinville- (Kay and Lonnie Farrington)

Banks – Cattaraugus County Bank (CCB) and Community Bank

Authorized account signees/Depositors-

CCB- Jerry Chmiel, Byran Spencer and Diane Finch (online banking only)

Community – Jerry Chmiel, Bridget Holmes

Petty Cash - \$500.00

Procurement policy (spending limit)-\$2000.00. Above \$2000.00 will need authorization/approval

Newspaper – Arcade Herald & Olean Times Herald

Mileage for POV- .40 per mile

Town Board meetings will be held on the 3rd Monday of each month

Payroll:

Biweekly- Highway Superintendent

Monthly- Justices, Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, Court Clerk, Bookkeeper, Assessor, Code Enforcement, Constable

Quarterly- Remainder of the listed above plus the Town Board

At this time Town Clerk Holmes asked if she could read what she had found in the NY State Consolidated Law Service book – Town Law 29 Powers and Duties of supervisor and Town Law 30 Powers and Duties of Town Clerk each reading concerning the second signature on Town accounts with reference to the town clerk and the supervisor respectively. Mr. Chmiel stated that the town should look into what the clerk had read and asked if he could have a motion to accept the appointments without the signors on the banks being included till the above information could be looked into, Mr. Spencer made the motion to accept the appointments with the exemptions and Mr. Westfall seconded it, carried.

At this time Pamela Tilton took the oath of office for the councilman position given by Justice Karcher. A motion was made by Mr. Spencer and seconded by Mrs. Tilton to close the reorganizational meeting, carried.

Supervisor Chmiel than opened the regular board meeting.

Mr. Chmiel announced that Mr. Isaman had submitted his resignation effective Jan 1,2017

Mrs. Tilton stated that there was a wrong date on last month's minutes concerning her start date as councilman. Mr. Westfall made the motion to accept the minutes with the correction stated by Mrs. Tilton, Mr. Spencer second it, carried.

The correction was made to the previous minutes with the start date of Pam Tilton as Jan 1,2017.

A motion was made to accept the financial report by Mr. Spencer and second by Mr. Westfall, carried.

A motion was made to accept the clerk's report by Mr. Westfall second by Mrs. Tilton, carried.

A motion was made to accept the code enforcement report by Mr. Spencer and second by Mr. Westfall, carried.

A motion was made to go into executive session by Mrs. Tilton and seconded by Mr. Spencer for personnel reasons at 7:22 pm, carried. At this time Mr. Dale Scurr told the board if they were going to talk about the councilman position, he was still interested.

A motion was made to come out of executive session at 7:44pm by Mr. Westfall seconded by Mr. Spencer ,carried.

Hwy:

Pickup was fixed and was under warranty. The complaint of Ken King 's wing not being down and leaving snow in the road was looked into and that was the day that he was pushing banks back and then he went back and plowed those roads. Mr. Tingue told the board that the hwy department will need a

new bush hog, would like the same kind so he could use the fixtures off old one, last summer he got an estimate of \$7000.00.

Mr. Tingue also told the board the he was going to need some cold patch and it was about 20 ton and it is \$105.00 a ton. He also reported that some boards had rotted in the salt shed and the hwy employees would be working on that in the following days. He also reported to the board the he still had 350 ton left of salt to get before the season ends.

Furnace update- Mr. Tingue was still waiting for the other company to meet with him and he was going to call them the next day, Mr. Chmiel stated that he would like to get it resolved shortly.

At this time Mr. Chmiel gave Mrs. Tilton the floor to introduce herself to the taxpayers present. Mrs. Tilton has lived on Hardys Corner Rd for 20 years, has owned her own business for 21 years, a part of her business is the networking with other businesses; she has experience in Arcade Chamber of Commerce and different jobs in that organization and also with the Curriers Cemetery Association. She told about her family and that she was looking forward the position with the town board.

Mr. Chmiel stated that he had been given permission to advertise on the Farmersville website different businesses in Farmersville and would be working on that in the coming months.

Mr. Chmiel also brought up the fact that Mr. Isaman had brought up in the previous month about the costs associated with court system and that the town board would be looking into that. At that time Justice Karcher told the board that the court had brought into the town over \$10,000.00 in the previous year. Also she stated that the JCAP grant had come in and the town was awarded \$2500.00 for the furnace but Mr. Spencer questioned it because the total grant was \$10,070.00. Justice Karcher started reading it and it appears that the justice system read the quote wrong. The bottom number was not the total due but the balance due. The board asked Justice Karcher to contact the state about reading the amount wrong and if the town could return the grant money due to the fact that the town would have to put more towards the furnace than stated on the grant.

Mr. Chmiel stated that he would like to set up a training session between the bookkeeper Diane Finch and Mrs. Tilton so she could be brought up to speed. Mrs. Tilton said that her schedule was flexible and to let her know.

A motion was made to accept the resignation of Mr. Isaman by Mr. Westfall and seconded by Mrs. Tilton carried. At this time Mr. Chmiel announced that they would be setting up a informational facebook page for the town and to advertise on this page for the councilman position, along with the regular advertising. He stated that we had to bring the town out of the Stone Age and with advertising in paper. Everyone seems to have facebook and we can reach more people this way easier. At this time Ruth Owens asked if there was a problem with the board as they had to resignations in a short time and Mr. Chmiel told her no and that it just happens to work out that way.

Clerk Holmes stated that she had received from the county the paperwork which is the agreement to spend Hwy funds which needed a motion and the signatures of the board members. This agreement is

sent every year at this time. A motion was made to spend the hwy funds by Mr. Spencer and seconded by Mrs. Tilton, carried.

Town resident Lois Lane at this time brought up that her son had built on her property a 12x12 shed and wanted to know if it was assessable. The board told her to go talk to the assessor and if she didn't agree with her to go to the assessment review board in May.

Mr. Tingue at this time asked about a buyout on his health insurance and was told by Mr. Chmiel that they were looking into it.

A motion was made to pay the bills by Mr. Westfall and seconded by Mr. Spencer, carried.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:35pm by Mr. Spencer and seconded by Mr. Westfall, carried.

Respectfully submitted

Bridget Holmes
Town Clerk