

TOWN OF ARKWRIGHT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Special Notes: 50% capacity & Face Masks Required if not fully vaccinated

7:30 PM October 11th, 2021

Zoom 251 827 4500 Passcode MgW26n, not for voting members

Town Supervisor: Brian McAvoy

Board Members Present: Lynn Bedford, Chris Cannon & Chris Jackson

Highway Superintendent: Lisa Waldron

Town Clerk: Jane Lindquist

Code Enforcement: Ed Pagano

Public Present: Dave Szydlo, Barry Bedford, John Potter, Steve Hansen & Jim Held

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Brian McAvoy

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

Review and Approval of September 13th, 2021, Regular board meeting minutes. Motion to accept minutes. Motion by Lynn Bedford, Chris Jackson 2nd. All in favor.

Reports:

Supervisor: Finance Reports & Budget Review – Financially healthy. Looking to have reserves. Sales tax and CHIPS coming. Expense- new truck. Equipment.

EDP-2 noise complaints. 2 different households.

Budget Transfer

General Fund

\$2,000.00 from 1990.4 Contingent

\$2,000.00 to 8810.4 Cemetery-Contractual

\$100.00 from 9060.8 Employee Benefits-Medical

\$100.00 to 9055.9 Employee Benefits-Disability

Highway Fund

\$100.00 from 9060.8 Employee Benefits- Medical

\$100.00 to 9055.8 Employee Benefits-Disability

Motion to approve budget transfers. Motion by Chris Jackson, Brian McAvoy 2nd. All in favor.

Highway Superintendent

Financial report –Lisa Waldron gave financial report. Still under budget. For the year.

Update on Highway Plan Progress- Aprons. Weaver Rd. Ball Rd graveled.

Sand Shed- No sand shed right now.

The Grant for \$50,000.00 is for road repairs. Can put into budget for next year. Table for budget meeting.

CHIPS- Filing Due Date- November 2nd.

Insurance Audit Results- Was good.

Training & “Pothole” Law Amendment- NYMIR – Snow & Ice removal training- October 5th, 2021, Highway Guys took the course. Credited courses.

Civil Law- someone hits pothole or gets hurt. NYMIR says we should change this law. Sending it to Passafaro to amend. “pothole” Law damage regarding road condition.

COVID 19 Protocols- Cohorts- keeping distance, 6 ft apart. Keeping 2 people together only. Vaccine mandates currently- not at this time. Essential workers not right now. They are checking temperatures regularly.

Snowmobile Signs- Put up by the Town. Leave the signs up.

Clerk & Tax collector- 3 Dog licenses, 0 marriage, 0 genealogy, 1 misc. revenue, 1 building permits and 3 death certificates. Gave town a check for \$348.00 for the General Fund.

Activity on Westfall FOIL Request- still waiting for them to contact me to have copies made.

Dog Control- none

Justice Report- Jane Lindquist reported on behalf of John Potter- The amount of fines \$165.00. and \$55.00 in surcharges and \$0.00 in civil fees. Total of \$220.00 for the Month of September 2021 and was turned over to the Town of Arkwright.

Assessor- none

Code Enforcement Officer – 2 permits –

Code enforcement books, cost is \$600.00. Will do a voucher for November so we can order the books. Growth in town 0.08%. 4 New homes.

Town Council Members

Lynn Bedford- none

Chris Jackson- none

Chris Cannon- none

Larry Ball- Land Purchase- Brian McAvoy gave report, as Larry was unable to attend meeting. Land purchase under way.

Fence for Christian Meeting- resolution in front of Board. Motion to approve Cemetery Budget. Motion by Chris Jackson, Lynn Bedford 2nd. All in favor.

Motion to Accept Supervisor, Departments and Councilperson reports- Motion by Lynn Bedford, Chris Jackson 2nd. All in favor.

Motion to accept Abstract and Pay bills- Motion by Chris Jackson, Chris Cannon 2nd. All in Favor.

Old Business

Solar Energy Law- Got to come up with size, scaling and footprint. Green space.

Extension of Moratorium- Approve resolution- Motion to approve Solar Moratorium Extension. Motion by Lynn Bedford, Chris Jackson 2nd. All in favor.

Building- Next step of Engineering & project plan, Additional survey- Architect will be working on master plan. East to West building. Sand shed in plan. Survey done.

Harassment Training- needs to be done.

Bank Deposits- Interest rates low, inflation high. Turn money into assets. Make thing more efficient. 3 trucks, Town Hall, Town Barns.

New Business

Budget Calendar- set dates for workshop and public hearings October 25th, 2021 for Budget workshop. Motion to establish Monday October 25th, 2021, at 7pm for Budget Workshop. Motion by Lynn Bedford, Brian McAvoy 2nd. All in favor. Jane to put Legal notice in paper.

New Phone Service- Steve Hampton from DFT brought in a phone to show the board. Also the new quote to include Highway barns. \$142.35 a month for 3 main phones. 7 voice mails. Motion to approve the new phone system. Motion by Chris Jackson, Lynn Bedford 2nd. All in favor.

Update on Broadband Discussion with DFT & Survey- Dept of Public Service surveyed. Then DFT will put together a plan to get everyone broadband- DFT. Need to get inexpensive internet. Survey follow up.

Public Comment-

John Potter- Mentioned what a great the highway did at cleaning up behind the highway barns. It looks very nice.

Meeting adjourned motioned by Lynn Bedford, Chris Jackson 2nd. All in Favor.