

The April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Town of Tioga board meeting was brought to order at 6:00pm.

Present were Councilman Drew Griffin, Councilman Nicholas Schoonover, Councilman Robert Strong and Councilman Paul Welch with Supervisor Douglas Chrzanowski presiding.

Also present was Highway Superintendent Russell Story, Court Clerk Krista Story, DCO Tammy Godfrey and Rhonda Kouterick.

Councilman Strong made the motion to approve the March 2025 board minutes as presented, Councilman Welch seconded, carried.

Councilman Welch made the motion to accept the March 2025 Planning Board minutes as presented, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Update from Superintendent Story:

- Removing trees and digging stumps
- Installing weepers
- Drain pipes
- Have not received a call back from School Superintendent Roe regarding the Summer mowing position
- A decision on ordering a new 10-wheeler for the purchase price of \$309,000.00 was continued from March's meeting and it was decided to put the purchase on hold for discussion during 2026 budget time.

Superintendent Story opened the two sealed bids received by The Town for "materials only" to replace Evelien Hill Bridge from Chemung Supply Corp. with a bid of \$91,574.00 and from Crossroads Highway Supply with a bid of \$95,261.87 with two days of technical support included.

Superintendent Story received quotes for a crane for \$5,700.00 and an excavator with a bucket and hammer for one week for the price of \$3,700.00.

Councilman Strong made the motion to accept the bid from Crossroads Highway Supply for \$95,261.87 as the favored bid for the technical support service offered due to the experience level The Town has, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll call vote:

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Welch – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Schoonover – Aye

Councilman Strong made the motion to approve Resolution #3-2025, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

### **RESOLUTION #3-2025**

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER \$115,000.00 FROM DAS231B BRIDGE RESERVE TO DA909 FUND BALANCE  
TO FUND REPLACEMENT OF EVELIEN HILL RD BRIDGE**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Tioga Town Board seeks to transfer \$115,000.00 from DAS231B BRIDGE RESERVE into DA909 Fund Balance account into the to aid in the funding of replacing Evelien Hill Rd Bridge and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Tioga Board approves the transfer of \$115,000.00 from DA231B Bridge Reserve Fund account into the DA 231B for the purpose of funding the replacement of Evelien Hill Rd Bridge and,

**THEREFORE**, the Town of Tioga approves the transfer of \$115,000.00 from the DA231B Bridge Reserve account into the DA909 Fund Balance fund replacing Evelien Hill Bridge by a motion made by Councilman Strong and seconded by Councilman Griffin at the April 8, 2025 Town Board Meeting.

Abandonment of Ayres Rd discussion continued with Supervisor Chrzanowski requesting the Planning Board to review the options provided to us by Town Attorney, Robert Mckertich, and to advise the Town Board on what option they felt best fit the situation.

After reviewing the provided documentation, The Planning Board recommends option #3, Discontinuance (Highway Law §171(2)) as the best option to fit the abandonment of Ayres Rd.

Councilman Welch made the motion to start the abandonment process for Ayres Rd according to Discontinuance (Highway Law §171(2)) , Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll call vote:

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Welch – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Schoonover – Aye

Supervisor Chrzanowski requested assistance from Highway Superintendent Story and Councilman Schoonover on the abandonment process of Ayres Rd.

Discussion was resumed from February’s meeting regarding accumulated sick time compensation for retirees.

More information will be gathered and the subject revisited at May’s meeting.

The Town Clerk received a quote from Bishop’s Fulltime Portables for use at Ransom Park this Summer due to the poor conditions of the park’s bathroom facilities.

Bishops quoted \$200 monthly for handicap accessible facilities and \$105 per month for standard size facilities weekly cleaning and all supplies provided by Bishops.

Councilman Schoonover made the motion to rent 4 portable restrooms, two handicap and two standard facilities, for Ransom Park and ballfield for the months May through September, from Bishops Portables, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Roll call vote:

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Welch – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Schoonover – Aye

NYMIR annual insurance renewal was presented to the Board with a renewal rate of \$44,403.89, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll call vote:

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Welch – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Schoonover – Aye

Councilman Schoonover attended the April Planning Board Meeting to discuss the concerns the Board had with lack of signage regarding “building and mobile home permits required” on Town lines. Superintendent Story will investigate where signage is lacking and present the board with a price quote for the signage needed at the May meeting.

Councilman Schoonover also stated that “Right to Farm” signage would be nice to add to Town lines to make residents aware we are a Right to Farm Town.

Supervisor Chrzanowski stated that Tioga County has grants available for “Right to Farm” signage The Town could look into.

Councilman Griffin stated that by the end of December all municipalities must have a .gov website. Town Clerk Middendorf will take care of this to make sure The Town is in compliance by end of year.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to pay the General Fund in the amount of \$51,803.08, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Councilman Strong made the motion to pay the Highway Fund in the amount of \$112,751.87, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Councilman Welch made the motion to pay the Bridge Capital Project in the amount of \$8,388.40, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to adjourn at 7:12pm, Councilman Welch seconded, carried.

Tiffany Middendorf  
Tioga Town Clerk