

The September 14th, 2021 Town of Tioga board meeting was brought to order at 7:00pm. Present were Councilman Robert Klossner, Councilman Robert Strong, Councilman Gerald Hyatt, Councilman Drew Griffin with Supervisor Lewis Zorn presiding. Also present were Highway Superintendent Russell Story, Code Enforcer Doug Chrzanowski, Constable Jerry Pierce, Town Attorney Adam Schumacher, Kris Morris, Elaine Jardine, Christina Olevano, Charles Decker, Kathleen Klossner, Pat Hansen, Linda Brink, Bryan & Julie Godfrey and Laurie Maciak.

Councilman Strong made the motion to accept the August 10th, 2021 Town Board minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Hyatt, carried.

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

Update from Highway Superintendent Story:

- Excavation on Winters Rd. is complete and should be covered under CHIP's.
- Delivery of the new truck is around a week away.
- The bus turn around on Ayres Rd . is complete.
- Superintendent Story would like to put old #94 truck, the old air compressor and the Wainwright ditcher with backhoe up for online auction.

Councilman Strong made the motion to put old #94 truck, the old air compressor and the Wainwright ditcher with backhoe up for online auction, Councilman Hyatt seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Hyatt – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Klossner – Aye

Charles Decker expressed concern over the fill from Weitsmans being trucked onto Paul Reeves property on Rte. 96 and if it was contaminated material and if it would disturb drainage as Mr. Reeves property is located within a flood plain.

Code Enforcer Doug Chrzanowski stated that Mr. Reeves has a permit for the project on his property and that his project is within the one acre he is allowed to disturb within his permit. Mr. Chrzanowski also stated that the material being used for the fill has been cleared from DEC, DOT and the Town of Owego from contaminants.

DOT also validated the project for drainage.

Mr. Decker was urged by Mr. Chrzanowski to contact him or the Town Clerk to set up an appointment to meet in his office if he had anymore concerns or questions.

Linda Brink will be transferring a parcel of her land that their junk yard is located to her daughter, Julie Godfrey and her husband Bryan Godfrey and would like board approval to transfer her junk yard license to them.

Councilman Strong made the motion to accept the junk yard license transfer from Linda Brink to Bryan & Julie Godfrey contingent upon inspection approval from Code Enforcer Doug Chrzanowski, Councilman Hyatt seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Hyatt – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Klossner – Aye

Tioga County Planning Director Elaine Jardine provided the board with some ARPA information. The Town can hire consultant Greg Evans by the hour to help clarify what projects are allowable within this grant and your ARPA grant money can be used for Greg’s hourly fee. Supervisor Zorn has suggested scheduling a meeting with Greg Evans with himself and Town Attorney Schumacher present.

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to hire consultant Greg Evans for the ARPA grant, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Hyatt – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Klossner – Aye

Christina Olevano , from CCP Prevention Services, did a presentation to the board for MRTA, Marijuana Regulation & Taxation Act, to provide the board with information of the pros and cons of to opt in or out of MRTA.

RESOLUTION #4-2021

FUEL STATION & WASH FACILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TIOGA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE TOWN OF TIOGA THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

WHEREAS, The Tioga Central School District has agreed to share their fuel station and wash facility with the Town of Tioga until June 30, 2022 effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, The Town agrees to furnish the district with sand and salt as needed in the winter months and to load the sand and salt as needed and to also supply equipment to help with snow removal on the district property as needed in the event of a weather, with Town’s roads being primary concern and the district is secondary; and

WHEREAS, The District in return agrees to allow The Town to use the wash facility as needed for trucks and/or other equipment as needed at the discretion of the authorities of the district’s bus garage (or within hours of operation) and also supply the Town with liquid urea as needed for town vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The Town will provide fuel to the district’s tank as needed and provide the district with the gallons delivered to the district; and

WHEREAS, The District agrees to provide the Town with fuel cards to track the Town’s fuel usage and will supply the Town with a copy of their usage; and

WHEREAS, all differences will be reconciled at the end of this agreement period, and be billed or purchased as appropriate; and

NOW THEREFORE upon a motion by Town Board Member Strong, seconded by Town Board Member Hyatt and carried; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that on this day, Tuesday, September 14th, 2021, The Town Board of Tioga accepted the fuel station and wash facility agreement between The Tioga Central School District and The Town of Tioga.

Copy of this agreement is on file at The Town Hall with The Town Clerk.

Councilman Strong made the motion to accept the fuel agreement for Tioga Central School as presented, Councilman Hyatt seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Hyatt – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Klossner – Aye

Supervisor Zorn requested the board to consider naming the pavilions at Ransom Park due to confusion over which pavilion people rented. He will review this in Spring of 2022.

Laurie Maciak presented the board with her resume and letter of recommendation and is interested in doing dog enumeration for the town.

The board will let Ms. Maciak know their decision at the October monthly meeting.

Supervisor Zorn stated that the Council of Government will be meeting at our Town Hall this Thursday evening.

Pat Hansen, our REAP rep is continuing work on helping us get an energy audit for The Town Hall. Todd Knobbe will be attending October's meeting to provide the board with more information on the grant programs available.

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to pay the Highway Fund in the amount of \$38,624.55, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Councilman Strong made the motion to pay the General Fund in the amount of \$20,183.27, Councilman Hyatt seconded, carried.

Councilman Hyatt mentioned that Tioga Cemetery is getting difficult for the Cemetery Board of Directors to maintain the cemetery as the average age of a trustee is 80 and that the town may have to take it over in the near future. The plots are sold near to capacity.

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to close the regular meeting at 8:48pm and open an executive session, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to close executive session and reopen the regular meeting at 8:58pm, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to accept the settlement from Sue Torre vs. Town of Tioga as presented, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Hyatt – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Klossner – Aye

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to table on setting a date for a public hearing for MRTA until next month's meeting, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Supervisor Zorn stated the stream gauge is back in working order at Ransom Park.

Councilman Hyatt made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Tiffany Middendorf

Tioga Town Clerk