

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

August 13, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held on August 13, 2019 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor Bill Wood declared the meeting to order at 6:58 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said.

Roll Call:	
Councilman:	Arnold Lobdell Jim Otis Tim Crippen Pat Downing
Supervisor:	Bill Wood
Supt. of Highways:	Larry LaPlante
Town Clerk:	Elizabeth Downing
Bookkeeper:	Linda Trudell

This Regular Meeting is being voice recorded by the Burke Town Clerk, Elizabeth Downing, as always and Burke Citizen, Jerry Tacy.

A motion to accept the July 9, 2019 minutes as read was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.

No Public Comments were made.

New Business:

1. Councilmembers from the towns of Burke, Chateaugay and Belmont, the villages of Burke and Chateaugay, and members from the Burke and Chateaugay Fire Departments met on July 23, 2019 to continue discussions on a paid Emergency Medical Service. Burke Fire Department chief, Gene Nesbitt, and Craig Dumas reported that they feel an Emergency Medical Service can be formed with local Personnel and presided over by a local Board of Commissioner's. The Burke Board agreed that an Emergency Medical Service could be formed with a local Board of Commissioners, providing a 40-hour paid EMS without seeking an outside entity to form the Service. Another meeting is being held on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. at the Chateaugay Town Hall with Ricky Provost, Coordinator of Franklin County's Office of Emergency Services and a lawyer. Burke Supervisor, Bill Wood has sent a letter to Franklin County providing support for Franklin County First Response Agency's Advanced Life Support First Response service.
2. Bids to provide propane for the Burke Courthouse during the 2019-2020 heating season were opened. A motion was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis to accept the single bid received from Suburban Propane to supply 1,750 gallons propane at \$1.259 per gallon from July 12, 2019 to May 30, 2020. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.
3. Bids to provide Dog Enumeration Services to the Town of Burke were opened. A motion was made by Jim Otis and seconded by Pat Downing to accept the single bid received from Lynnette Brier to provide Dog Enumeration to the Town of Burke for \$10.00 per unlicensed dog licensed during enumeration. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.
4. The deadline for the 2020 Justice Grant Application is October 10, 2019. Quotes to install a Courthouse Alarm System, Courthouse outside lighting and Courthouse Foundation sealing will be requested to submit for the Justice Grant.
5. A motion was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Arnold Lobdell to charge \$0.25 per sheet for all copies of documents requested from the Town of Burke. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.
6. The Burke Town Clerk is currently working on a website for the Town of Burke.

The Highway Committee did not meet.

Highway Superintendent Larry LaPlante's Report:

1. The Burke Highway Department is assisting Westville and Constable with blacktopping.
2. Culverts on the Callahan, Finney and Spencer Roads were replaced.
3. Blacktopping on the Spencer Road has commenced.
4. The Highway Department has started hauling sand for winter.
5. Tires on the excavator were replaced.
6. A pinion seal and bearing repair was done on the 2004 Mack plow truck.
7. The door window on the John Deere Mowing machine was broken and has been repaired.
8. Highway employees have attended Sexual Harassment training.
9. A meeting with a Teamster's Local Union #687 representative to provide information on Highway and Burke Town Employee Health Insurance will be held at 11:00 A.M. on August 20, 2019 at the Burke Courthouse.

Old Business:

1. Two original copies and one draft copy of the Teamster's Local Union #687 Contract between the Burke Highway Employees and the Town of Burke were submitted for review. Arnold Lobdell and Jim Otis will review for Burke.
2. The new fence at Seller's Field has been installed and Jim Otis, Pat Downing and Tim Crippen have agreed to install the benches for the team players.
3. A County-wide Shared Services Municipal Savings Report was signed by Supervisor Wood and will be sent back to Donna Kissane, the Franklin County Manager.
4. A letter dated July 23, 2019 was sent by FEMA notifying the Town of Burke about engineering data models used in the FEMA ongoing flood risk project in Franklin County.
5. The Board has decided not to contribute to the United Way at this time.
6. A New York State Solar Guidebook and Battery Storage Guidebook have been sent to the Town of Burke from NYSERDA.

The Code Officer collected \$270.00 for the month of July. A motion to accept the July 2019 Code Officers Report was made by Arnold Lobdell and seconded by Jim Otis. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.

A motion was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Pat Downing to accept the July 2019 Financial Report. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.

No Public Comments were made.

Bills were paid.

A motion to adjourn at 8:25 P.M. was made by Pat Downing and seconded by Tim Crippen. Roll Call: Arnold aye, Tim aye, Pat aye, Jim aye and Bill aye.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth A. Downing, Town Clerk

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