

TOWN OF READING BOARD MEETING
August 8, 2018

PRESENT: Supervisor Conklin, Councilperson Gill, Councilperson Stamp, Councilperson Everett, Councilperson Miller, Superintendent Rockwell, Clerk A. Conklin.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30p.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

Mike Stamp, E.C. Cooper Insurance – Mr. Stamp discussed the insurance for the town. He went over his yearly report for the town board. He discussed the policy for the town hall, town barns, equipment and employees. He discussed cyber liability insurance.

Schuyler County Legislator, Mark Rondinaro talked about the situation with the county and the benefits of cyber liability. He reported that sales tax is 7.71% above the first six months of 2017. The first payment of July was \$85,135.10 which is 10.58% above last year. The total for July second payment will be between \$110,000-\$120,000. The first six months including the first payment of July is up \$436,697.66 which 8.14% more than last year.

Clerk Conklin read the July 11, 2018 minutes.

RESOLUTION #41: Councilperson Gill made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Councilperson Everett.

AYES: Councilperson Everett
Councilperson Stamp
Councilperson Gill
Councilperson Miller
Supervisor Conklin

NAYS: none

Committee Reports:

Planning Board: No meeting in July

Highway: Superintendent Rockwell read his report.

Landfill: No meeting.

Youth: There will be no youth program this year.

Fire Department: Councilperson Gill met with the Village, the Town of Dix and the Watkins Glen Fire Department. It was called as the Town of Dix did not want to pay the full amount of fire coverage and the new clerk wanted to know why and have some background information. It was explained that they had discussed in the past to pay based on assessed value of property in each entity. There was a discussion of a new agreement by the end of October that would shift the payments to assessed value of property over the next 5 to 8 years.

Clerk: Clerk Conklin read her report.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a discussion regarding the proposed revised Land Use Law. Attorney Bowes notified the clerk that he has reviewed the plan and it is ready for a public hearing.

RESOLUTION # 42: Councilperson Gill made a motion to set the public hearing for the proposed revised Land Use Law for Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 7p.m. Seconded by Councilperson Miller.

AYES:	Councilperson Everett Councilperson Stamp Councilperson Gill Councilperson Miller Supervisor Conklin	NAYS: none
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NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION # 43: Councilperson Miller made a motion to allow Superintendent Rockwell to purchase a new pick up truck not to exceed \$31,000. Seconded by Councilperson Stamp.

AYES:	Councilperson Everett Councilperson Stamp Councilperson Gill Councilperson Miller Supervisor Conklin	NAYS: none
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RESOLUTION # 44: Councilperson Gill made a motion to obtain estimates for a pump at County Road 30. Seconded by Councilperson Miller.

AYES:	Councilperson Everett Councilperson Stamp Councilperson Gill Councilperson Miller Supervisor Conklin	NAYS: none
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Supervisor Conklin notified the Board that it is the beginning of budget time. It was decided to keep the Watkins Glen Fire Department budget as is due to ongoing talks with parties involved.

Will be checking with ways to lower Town Hall phone bill.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Discussed letter Supervisor Conklin received from the DEC regarding the gas storage decision.

Also received a letter from Finger Lakes Railway regarding a water line under a railroad right of way. Supervisor Conklin will contact Finger Lakes Railway. Superintendent Rockwell and Supervisor Conklin will visit the site.

RESOLUTION # 45: Councilperson Stamp made a motion to pay Abstract # 08 as follows; seconded by Councilperson Everett

General Town wide	\$	7,047.59
Town Outside Village	\$	76.96
Highway Town wide	\$	7,289.50
Highway Outside Village	\$	17,602.98
Sewer	\$	325.74

Total: \$32,342.77

AYES: Councilperson Everett
Councilperson Stamp
Councilperson Gill
Councilperson Miller
Supervisor Conklin

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION # 46: Councilperson Miller made a motion to adjourn at 8:30. Seconded by Councilperson Everett.