

November 14, 2024

Regular Meeting

PRESENT: Supervisor Nathaniel Baker, Town Councilman Thomas Cosey, Town Councilman James Bradt, Town Councilman Matthew Rathbun, Town Councilman Kenneth Quick, Highway Superintendent Scott Taylor, and Town Historian Erik Pekar, Deputy Town Clerk Julia Goff

ABSENT: Town Clerk Jenny Martelle, Town Accountant Joel Carpenter, Dog Control Officer Nancy Quell, Sole Assessor Bobbi Stone, Local Ordinance Officer William Humphries

Supervisor Baker called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Baker

Councilman Cosey moved to approve the minutes of the October 10th Regular Meeting. Second by Councilman Rathbun. Councilman Quick abstained due to absence. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Rathbun moved to approve the minutes of the October 17th Special meeting. Second by Councilman Bradt. Councilman Quick abstained due to absence. All in favor, motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

BUDGET OFFICER'S REPORT: Budget Officer Joel Carpenter was absent. Written reports were submitted for Board review.

SOLE ASSESSOR REPORT: Sole Assessor submitted a written report on her activities for September, which is on file with the Town Clerk's Office.

LOCAL ORDINANCE OFFICER REPORT: Local Ordinance Officer Humphries submitted a written report which is on file with the Town Clerk's Office.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: Animal Control Officer Nancy Quell submitted a written report which is on file with the Town Clerk's Office.

OLD BUSINESS: Supervisor Baker instructed Councilman Bradt to open all sealed Fuel Bids that had been received. There was one bid submitted by Main Care. After discussion of the prices being charged and the promptness of service being delivered by our current providers, it was moved by Councilman Quick and seconded by Councilman Bradt to continue to use the State Contract suppliers for all our fuel needs. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Upon review of the options for a Healthcare Plan for our Medicare Qualified Retirees, Councilman Bradt moved to accept Option 1 plan. Second by Councilman Cosey. All in favor. Motion carried.

After discussion of a payment in the amount of \$4,267.61 due to Washington County Treasurer in reference to Article 7 Rebates, Councilman Quick moved to approve payment. Second by Councilman Bradt. All in favor. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Superintendent Taylor reported that the highway crew had been readying trucks for winter service. They have been ditching roadsides and blowing leaves to prevent clogging with winter snow and ice. A Stop sign had been stolen and was replaced. Superintendent Taylor announced that he has an employee about to retire and requested the Board's permission to post a job opening in the local newspaper. Supervisor Baker supports waiting to hire a full-time worker until the employee handbook has been reviewed and updated. Councilman Bradt moved to hire a part-time worker for the time being. Second by Councilman Rathbun. All in favor. Motion carried.

NORTH GRANVILLE WATER DISTRICT REPORT: The Water District has pumped a total of 863,000 gallons for the month with a daily average of 27,838 gallons. Justin Aldous is now fully licensed in NYS as a water operator. There had been a leak in the system for a couple of weeks. They had been losing 10-15,000 gallons of water per day. The leak was located and repaired. The sprinkler test at the Slate Valley Center went well. There are some meters at the pumphouse that measure gallons per minute for each well. They will need to be replaced at an estimated total cost of \$1643.72 for all four meters. Councilman Bradt moved to purchase the meters. Second by Councilman Cosey. All in favor. Motion carried.

The truck that had been listed in an online auction received a high bid of \$10,700.00. The Town has 48 hours to make a counter bid. Councilman Bradt moved to counter with \$40,000. Second by Supervisor Baker. All in favor. Motion carried. Superintendent Taylor discussed the option of keeping and rebuilding the truck later.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: N/A

AUDIT OF BILLS:

Fund	Voucher	Amount	Moved By	Second By
DA Highway Townwide		\$3154.67	Rathbun	Bradt
DB Highway Outside		\$2278.37		
Carried 4-0				
SW North Granville Water	83-90	\$2082.44	Bradt	Cosey
Carried 4-0				
A General Townwide	226-248	\$3691.04	Quick	Rathbun
B General Town Outside		\$48.39		
Carried 4-0				
SL 1 Middle Gr. Lights		\$449.61	Cosey	Bradt
SL2 North Gr. Lights		\$246.61		
Carried 4-0				

At 8:00, Supervisor Baker moved to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters. Second by Councilman Rathbun. All in favor, Motion carried.

At 8:15, Councilman Bradt moved to return to the Regular Meeting. Second by Councilman Cosey. All in favor. Motion carried. Councilman Cosey moved to allow the Deputy Town Clerk to roll her unused vacation hours over to be used in 2025 due to extenuating circumstances within the Clerk's office. Second by Councilman Rathbun. All in favor Motion carried.

Supervisor Baker wanted to extend his thanks and appreciation to the Village of Granville and Phil Juckett for painting our new handicap parking spaces in time for the election earlier this month. And he announced a workshop to review and amend the employee handbook on November 21st at 2:00.

Councilman Quick moved to Adjourn at 8:16 pm. Second by Supervisor Baker. All in favor, Motion carried.