

December 20, 2016

The regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Stony Creek was held on December 20, 2016.

Supervisor Frank E. Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM with members present:

Councilman Nathan Thomas

Councilman Doreen Ryan

Councilman John Thomas

Counsel to the Town: Mary-Ellen Stockwell

Absent: Councilman Carl Thomas

November 15th, 2016 minutes, Correction:

Page 245 insert did not do a nice job.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas to accept the November 15th, 2016 minutes all in favor, motion carried.

126-16. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman John Thomas to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$14,235.93. Roll call vote, all in favor.

127-16. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas to pay the Highway Fund bills in the amount of \$24,742.28. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Town Clerk Report:

Conservation licenses	\$ 1.21
Copies and faxes	\$ 2.25
Faxes	<u>\$ 3.00</u>
Total Town Clerk Fees	\$ 6.46
Dog Licenses	<u>\$52.00</u>
Total Town Revenues to Supervisor	\$58.46
NYS Agriculture and Markets	\$10.00
NYS Environmental Conservation	<u>\$20.79</u>
Total Disbursed	\$89.25

Correspondence:

Dog Control Log-November 2016

Stony Creek Free Library-permission to use the town hall for a Holiday Dinner December 16, 2016 from 4-10PM.

Elizabeth Smith-permission to use the town hall for a Birthday Party December 17th, 2016 from 2-6PM.

Mike Carbery-permission to use the town hall for a Birthday Party February 26, 2017 from Noon to 4PM and also March 12, 2017 for a Birthday Party from Noon to 4PM.

Karyn Calo-permission to use the town hall for a party on January 21, 2017 from 10AM to 2PM.

Susan Harrington, Tax Collector asking for a resolution to establish a petty cash fund in the amount of \$100.00.

Supervisor Thomas reported that the Stony Creek Library did use the town hall on December 16th and also Elizabeth Smith used it on December 17th.

A motion was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the following:

Mike Carbery permission to use the town hall for a Birthday Party February 26, 2017 from Noon to 4PM and also March 12, 2017 for a Birthday Party from Noon to 4PM.

Karyn Calo permission to use the town hall for a party on January 21, 2017 from 10AM to 2PM. All in favor, motion carried.

128-16. A resolution was made by Supervisor Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan establishing a petty cash in the amount of \$100.00, for the purpose of making change when required in the performance of the Tax Collector's duty. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Old Business:

Lanfear Rd Property update:

Supervisor Thomas reported he has been trying to arrange the inspection and in the next couple weeks they can get that done. He has been in contact with Cedarwood and they put him in touch with one of their people, Mike O'Reilly. It will probably be on a Tuesday, it seems that's when they are around is on Tuesday's.

Attorney Mary-Ellen stated the value came in ok. They are just waiting for the final version of the appraisal. The appraiser sent it over with the attorney as named client so they asked he to revise the formally to include the town named as the client. The value came in about the purchase price. Looking at the inspection she asked that when Supervisor Thomas has something scheduled to let them know so they can put the seller on notice with the dates it will be conducted. Once she has the final appraisal she will send it via e-mail to the Supervisor and have that for the record.

Supervisor Thomas stated the other thing would be the borrowing of the money. They do have to go through the Comptroller's Office. He asked that the attorney look into this a little bit. Attorney Mary-Ellen stated she did look in the Local Finance Law and she is going to seek an opinion just to be sure. Typically yes, because we are in the APA and our municipality is in State Park Land and we have to get the Comptrollers approval for any BAN (Bond Anticipation Note) or financing. She wants to make sure there are no exemption threshold's because of the amount we discussed today. If there is a way we can squeeze under the threshold of like under the \$100,000.00 threshold then there would be less steps. We are defaulting in case we have to and she is going to check on that and will indicate that to the Supervisor what steps we need to take. She knows we also discussed looking into the current rates for municipal lending from some local lending institutions so she can coordinate with the Supervisor after the holidays and get him in touch with those institutions, so we can get rolling with that. Supervisor Thomas will hear from her on all ends relative to the financing and coordinating with the Comptroller for approval relative to financing.

Supervisor Thomas stated the total price was \$156,900.00. The town has \$500.00 to hold the property, \$30,000.00 from Warren County, he anticipates he can spend \$26,000.00 to \$30,000.00 of the town's occupancy money. That will bring it down to \$100,000.00 or around there.

Supervisor Thomas's hope is to do a five-year BAN rather than bonding the money to pay off the BAN in five-years.

Supervisor Thomas asked the Attorney if everything were to fall in place relatively well would it be the end of January. Attorney Mary-Ellen stated if the inspections are ok and depending on the turnaround for the Comptroller, that maybe a holdup. As for preparing the BAN documents and things like that we can certainly do that. They can draft those documents and work with the lending institution whoever is chosen, as to their approval. Typically the attorney prepares the drafts and submits them to the lending counsel for their approval and you would be about to meet later in January so they would be able to pass a resolution at that time. She will put together a memo with all the timeframes once she has a better timeframe from the Comptroller to see if we can get it in January, if not it will probably be February. She will also put together resolution authorizing all of them for the next month's meeting.

Supervisor Thomas stated when he finds out if we can get into the house themselves or do the inspection with Mr. O'Reilly he will let the Board Members know. Councilman John Thomas asked if this will be a full inspection. Supervisor Thomas stated he thinks so, what he is thinking is they are looking for anything that's going to cause problems as far as asbestos.

Committee reports:

Councilwoman Ryan reported the Stony Creek Fire Dept. received 133 toys from the Stony Creek Ranch Toy Drive. There are a lot left over and she will be contacting Mr. and Mrs. Lomenzo from the Stony Creek Community Church so the extra toys and possibly getting food cards can be given to those that are in need.

Supervisor Thomas reported the Association of Town Annual Meeting in New York City will be held on February 19th -22nd 2017. Anyone wishing to go let him know.

Warren County Soil and Water:

Supervisor Thomas reported that the Highway Dept. or the town is eligible to receive \$2500.00 through the Soil and Water District from the Upper Hudson Grant Program and it's for roadside erosion control. The town has to produce the invoices, cancelled checks and the town will receive \$2500.00.

New Business:

Senior Transport Agreement:

129-16. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the Supervisor to sign the 2017 Senior Transport Agreement between the Town of Stony Creek and the Warren-Hamilton Counties Community Action Agency in the amount of \$5160.00, with \$1680.00 being reimbursed by the Office of the Aging.

Ice and Snow Contract:

130-16. A resolution was made by Supervisor Thomas seconded by Councilman John Thomas authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Snow and Ice Removal Contract with Warren County for the fiscal year 2017 in the amount of \$204,369.22. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Standard Medical Testing:

131-16. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan to enter into an Agreement between Standard Medical Testing Services/Mountain Medical Services and the Town of Stony Creek. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Budget transfers:

132-16. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas authorizing the following budget transfer:

Debit A1410.4 Town Clerk Contractual in the amount of \$260.48.

Credit A1330.4 Tax Collector Contractual in the amount of \$260.48. Roll call vote, all in favor.

133-16. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the following budget transfer:

Debit A1990.4 Contingent in the amount of \$1009.90.

Credit A1910.1 Unallocated Insurance in the amount of \$288.30

Credit A7180.4 Special Recreational Contractual in the amount of \$721.60.

Roll call vote, all in favor.

134-16. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman John Thomas Authorizing the following budget transfer:

Debit Fund Balance in the amount of \$569.42.

Credit A6310.4 Community Action in the amount of \$569.42. Roll call vote, all in favor.

135-16. A resolution was made by Councilman John Thomas seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas authorizing the following budget transfer:

Debit Fund Balance in the amount of \$43,377.00.

Credit DA5130.2 Machinery Equipment in the amount of \$43,377.00. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Supervisor Thomas reported the Organizational Meeting will be held on January 3rd, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Councilwoman Ryan had received requests for "I Voted" stickers on Election Day.

From the floor:

A motion was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Harrington, RMC
Town Clerk