

August 15, 2017

The regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Stony Creek was held on August 15, 2017.

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

Councilman Nathan Thomas

Councilwoman Doreen Ryan

Councilman Carl Thomas

Counsel to the Town- Mary-Ellen Stockwell

Absent: Councilman John Thomas

July 18th, 2017 minutes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas to accept the July 18, 2017 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

095-17. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$11,951.69. Roll call vote, all in favor.

096-17. A resolution was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas to pay the Highway Fund bills in the amount of \$16,075.67. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Town Clerk Report:

Conservation license	\$ 1.38
Certified Death Copies	\$ 30.00
Fax	<u>\$ 2.00</u>
Total Town Clerk Fees	\$ 33.38
Dog Licensing	<u>\$ 95.00</u>
Total Town Revenues to Supervisor	\$128.38
NYS Agriculture and Markets	\$ 19.00
NYS Environmental Conservation	<u>\$ 23.62</u>
Total Disbursed	\$171.00

Correspondence:

Dog Control Log-July 2017

Stony Creek Free Library-requesting Occupancy Tax Funds in the amount of \$3900.00 to promote and support the "Fall in the Creek Festival" Fundraiser to be held on Saturday September 23, 2017.

Stony Creek Historical Association-Agreement.

7:05 PM Supervisor Thomas opened the Public Hearing on the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$75,000.00 Aggregate Principal amount of Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds of the Town of Stony Creek to pay the costs associated with the purchase of a 2018 Western Star 4900FA cab & chassis with plow and authorizing the issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes or Statutory Installment Bonds of the Town of Stony Creek for the aforesaid purposes and in connection therewith. Published August 3, 2017 in the Post-Star Newspaper.

Edward Corcoran, Director of the Warren County Countryside Adult Home 353 Schroon River Road Warrensburg, NY was present to promote the Countryside Adult Home. They are a 48 bed Long-Term Resident Care with Day Care Service that holds 6 adults. He also described the services they provide for the residents and also the Day Care Program. They are now accepting Applications for Long and Short-Term stays and also Adult Day Care.

Creek Center Mini-Park Project:

Supervisor Thomas reported the public hearing was not published and will be rescheduled for August 29, 2017 at 7:00 PM at which time Peter Loyola with CLA Site will give his presentation on the final design.

7:14 PM being no other comments on the Public Hearing, the Bond Resolution was closed.

097-17. A resolution was made by Supervisor Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan to close the public hearing on the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$75,000.00 Aggregate Principal amount of Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds to pay the costs associated with the purchase of a 2018 Western Star 4900FA cab & chassis with plow and to petition the State Comptroller for permission to borrow the money. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Supervisor Thomas reported he will call the banks to check on interest rates.

Old Business:

Stony Creek Historical Association Contract:

Supervisor Thomas reported that this is a little different than the ones in the past.

098-17. A resolution was made by Councilman Carl Thomas seconded by Councilwoman Ryan authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Agreement between the Town of Stony Creek and the Stony Creek Historical Association Contract in the amount of \$5600.00. Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-Yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan-Yes, Supervisor Thomas (Treasurer of Historical Association)-Yes.

Committee reports:

Intermunicipal Agreement with Warren County; Radio Tower:

Supervisor Thomas reported this was moved out of the Public Safety Committee today so it should be in front of the County Board on Friday.

Supervisor Thomas reported he had a meeting with Mr. LaMothe and Cedarwood Engineering about various things.

Dean Farm Trails:

One was the Evan loo toilets. He has had some interesting conversations with Cedarwood about engineering the little self-contained toilet system. What it gets down to is we are in NY State and you have to jump the hoops with the Department of State. You want their money and there is a lot more involved, which to him, is necessary. Councilman Nathan Thomas stated this is a low cost toilet. They just did a park toilet in NYC and the last one they built was two million dollars and the new projection is three million dollars for a two male, two female flush toilet bathroom with the city park.

Supervisor Thomas stated we will proceed forward with it. It kind of stopped because of the price the engineer wanted and Supervisor Thomas told him he wasn't going to pay that much for a self-contained unit, which is 6 x 8 feet.

13 Lanfear Road property:

Supervisor Thomas doesn't know if the county has a contract with the State yet but they do have an amendment to their 2013 Grant Award. Money has been transferred from a different project to the Town of Stony Creek. It's \$200,000.00. The cost of the house, the inspection and the closing cost serves as a match. The town has approximately \$165,000.00 available to it, they have to spend it to be re-imbursed. They talked about the bridge. Supervisor Thomas told them that would be a priority to get the bridge across the creek. Councilwoman Ryan asked if this would be a bridge they would keep up. Councilman Nathan Thomas stated it will be a permanent bridge. It's a pedestrian bridge with a potential snowmobile bridge. A multi-use bridge. Supervisor Thomas stated there was discussion also about converging it off of the county bridge. Councilman Nathan Thomas stated you can't do that because of the drainage ditch, the stream that runs down the side of Lanfear Road. Councilman Carl Thomas asked if it was going to tie in to the walking trails that go down in the middle of the field somewhere. Councilman Nathan Thomas stated yes.

Supervisor Thomas was thinking about putting it above the spillway. Mr. Suozzo of Cedarwood discussed a truss bridge. Supervisor Thomas asked him how thick the trusses would be. Mr. Suozzo told him 2-4 feet. Supervisor Thomas didn't think it would work unless you went up in the air quite a ways. He suggested a suspension bridge. They talked about all three of them and didn't get anywhere. Councilman Nathan Thomas asked if they were suspension bridges going across the first and second bridge into Wilcox Lake. Supervisor Thomas and Ken Brooks stated yes. Councilman Nathan Thomas stated they seem to last good. Supervisor Thomas stated that was one thing they talked about and then they generally discussed the whole property. Somehow they have the impression that they are going to tear the house down. Supervisor Thomas told them no, not that he is aware of. Maybe someone else will but he doesn't think the Board will anytime soon. Supervisor Thomas gave them his prospective and ideas of what the property would be. He talked with Councilman John Thomas and he express that maybe a museum with a logging and tannery.

Supervisor Thomas told Mr. LaMothe and Mr. Suozzo they would like trails to the crossing of the creek, a trail down one side and back up the other, greenhouses and also the facility.

Where they ended up was they were going to do a conceptual site plan, incorporating some of the things he was telling him. He thinks that is a good place to start.

Supervisor Thomas stated the town also has what is remaining of the \$45000.00 Design Grant.

That was the grant the town got the library to execute final construction documents for the Methodist Church. That's 100% money that was marched by some work that was done to the railroad. So the town has available \$42,750.00 of design money toward a facility. He doesn't think the facility has been thoroughly flushed out where you can start doing any kind of conceptual designs of it. He thinks that's where there at. Supervisor Thomas stated we need an Advisory Committee, people from the library, town board and other people just to kick it around to see what exactly that might end up looking like and be used for.

Supervisor Thomas stated the Highway Dept. did mow the field. Harold mowed probably half of it. Supervisor Thomas had Harold fix the doors to the barn, back and front doors so it can be locked up. Probably in September things in the Historical Association barn will be moved over to the barn so it's on town property. As far as the library he knows the whole impetuous started out as the library. The building basically, then the library and more. He is still on board with that, he can't speak for the library. We will find out in the next month or so what their feelings are, how commented they are to it. He thinks some had doubts that even this was going to come to be.

Councilman Carl Thomas stated they certainly have a need for relocation as parking, facility and things. Supervisor Thomas stated the library can access construction fund through SALS and that would be helpful. How it would be arranged legally he's not sure, its town property.

Attorney Mary-Ellen stated it would probably be some Lease Agreement. Supervisor Thomas stated he thinks it can be worked out. Attorney Mary-Ellen stated it is owned by the town and they would lease it as an entity using town property, getting insurance. They can certainly work out an agreement for that.

New Business:

Snow and Ice Agreement:

099-17. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Nathan Thomas authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Snow and Ice Removal Contract with Warren County for the fiscal year 2018 in the amount of \$205,534.49. Roll call vote, all in favor.

100-17. A resolution was made by Councilwoman Ryan seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas authorizing the expenditure of Occupancy Tax money to the Stony Creek Free Library in the amount of \$3900.00 to cover the library's fundraiser "Fall in the Creek" to be held on Saturday September 23, 2016. Roll call vote, all in favor.

CFA grant for the water and sewer map plan:

Supervisor Thomas reported last month it was discussed about applying for a CFA Grant for sewer and water map plan and report, basically an assessment.

The application was put in by Warren County and will find out probably or approximately by October if the town was awarded that money.

101-17. A resolution was made by Councilman Carl Thomas seconded by Supervisor Thomas authorizing the flowing budget transfer:

Debit SF9025.8 Fire Protection Service Award Program in the amount of \$223.56.

Credit SF9045.8 Fire Protection Life Insurance in the amount of \$223.56.

Roll call vote, Councilman Carl Thomas-yes, Councilman Nathan Thomas (Member of Fire Co.)-Yes, Councilwoman Ryan (Member of Fire Co.)-Yes, Supervisor Thomas-Yes.

From the floor:

Supervisor Thomas reported a Public Hearing will be held on the Creek Center Mini-Park Project August 29, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

A motion was made by Councilman Nathan Thomas seconded by Councilman Carl Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Harrington
Town Clerk