

**REGULAR MEETING  
SHELDON TOWN BOARD  
April 20, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Sheldon Town Board held April 20, 2016 at the Sheldon Town Hall was called to order by Town Supervisor Brian Becker at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Brian Becker  
Councilmen: Mike Armbrust, Jim Fontaine, Vince Kirsch, Joe Meyer  
Recording Secretary: Town Clerk Carol Zittel

Also Present: Highway Superintendent David Ricketson, Arcade Herald reporter Brianna Naughton. A signed list of all present is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Vince Kirsch that the minutes from the March 15, 2016 regular meeting and the March 30, 2016 special meeting be approved.  
Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Communications**

The Town Clerk, Carol Zittel, reported on the following:

**#15 Office for the Aging – Use of Town Hall**

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Joe Meyer to give permission to the Wyoming County Office for the Aging to use the Town Hall on the third Friday of each month as a satellite office.  
Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**#16 Use of Hall – 4-H & Home Bureau**

A motion was made by Joe Meyer and seconded by Vince Kirsch to give permission to 4-H Groups and the Sheldon Home Bureau to use the Town Hall for meetings.  
Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**#17 Extend Fuel Bids**

A motion was made by Vince Kirsch and seconded by Mike Armbrust to extend the fuel bid with Reisdorf Oil & Propane for regular unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel for an additional year per the March 2015 contract.  
Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**#18 Extend Liquid Bituminous Bid**

A motion was made by Vince Kirsch and seconded by Mike Armbrust to extend the liquid bituminous bids with Suit-Kote Corporation and Midland Asphalt for an additional year per the February 2015 contracts.  
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**Reports**

Financial Reports were presented for the month of March 2016 from the Town Supervisor, Town Clerk and the Town Justice.

**Highway Superintendent's Report**

Highway Superintendent Dave Ricketson reported on the following:

**Road Work**

The Department has been busy ditching, repairing storm drains on School Street. They are ahead of schedule with this work.

**Brine Truck**

The brine truck has been put together – the department has run out of brine early this year.

**Almeter Rd. Paving**

To pave 1 ½ mile of Almeter Rd. with 4 inches asphalt compacted in place it will cost approximately \$200,818.47. That would leave approx. \$80,000 for other general repairs. The Town did receive an additional \$24,511 in CHIPS funding (over what had been budgeted)

**Oil & Stoning of Roads 2016**

Supervisor Becker asked if the Highway Dept. still planned on oil and stoning 12 miles of road in 2016. Supt. Ricketson responded that he is not sure if they can do 12 miles of oil and stoning at this time. The Supt. will be doing an assessment shortly and will have a handle on it by next month.

**Highway Superintendent Leaves Meeting**

At 7:50 p.m. Superintendent Ricketson excused himself from the meeting.

**Supervisor Report**

**Perry Rd & Route 77 Intersection**

Supervisor Becker reported that he reached out to Senator Gallivan's office for assistance in having the intersection at Route 77 and Perry Rd. looked at by the NYS DOT. Supervisor Becker reported that the Senator's office was able to guarantee that the NYSDOT will put up larger stop signs up and that the road will eventually be narrowed in the hopes of making the intersection safer.

**Route 78 & Route 98 Speed Limit Requests**

Councilman Meyer asked if we heard anything back regarding the speed limit reduction request made for Route 78 and Route 98. Supervisor Becker responded that we have not heard anything back yet.

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**Varysburg Water Tank**

Statewide Aquastore sent a report on the new water tank. Councilman Armbrust asked that the Water Board be sent a copy of the report. Councilman Kirsch asked Supervisor Becker to contact Chatfield Engineers to see if there is a way to reduce the sediment. The Town Clerk will make copies of the report for the Water Board members. Councilman Kirsch asked Supervisor Becker to confirm with Chatfield that the tank was clean before it was put in use.

**Overdue Water Bills**

One out of district user has not paid their water bill from 2015 or 2016. Councilman Kirsch recommended that Wayne Durfee notify the owner that the water will be turned off if the bill is not paid.

**4-H Camp Scholarship**

Supervisor Becker awarded the 4-H Camp scholarship to Brennan Cramer-Mills.

**County Hospital Funding**

Wyoming County Hospital will receive \$20 million from NYS.

**County Roads Program**

The County had cancelled the roads program due to financial constraints. With the funding received from the State for the hospital, the County will now be able to re-instate the roads program. Supervisor Becker reported that he made the motion at the County to request funding to pave Perry Rd., Exchange St. in Attica and Liberty Street in Warsaw.

**Acceptance of Reports**

A motion was made by Vince Kirsch and seconded by Mike Armbrust to accept all reports as presented.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Old Business**

**Authorization to Sign Union Contract with Teamsters Local Union 264 – Sheldon Highway**

A motion was made by Vince Kirsch and seconded by Joe Meyer to approve the union contract as negotiated and presented and to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign it.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Town Hall Renovation**

Attica Flooring still has to replace/repair the baseboard. After the baseboard is repaired the floors will be ready to be sealed.

**Inter-Municipal Agreement with Wyoming County Building & Codes**

A motion was made by Vince Kirsch and seconded by Jim Fontaine to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the inter-municipal agreement with Wyoming County Building & Codes.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

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**Tompkins Insurance Update**

Supervisor Becker met with Tompkins Insurance representative, Mike Hardie after the March 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Hardie will have insurance quotes for the Board's review soon.

**Landscaping Town Hall**

Three quotes were received for landscaping the Town Hall.

Maple Tree Environmental \$1,200

Snip's Lawn Care \$1,200

RPM Tree Service \$975

A motion was made by Vince Kirsch and seconded by Jim Fontaine to award the job for Town Hall landscaping to RPM Tree Service pending receipt of adequate insurance coverage for the amount of \$975 per the price quote received April 19, 2016 with the stipulation that payments will be made in the amount of \$225.00 on May 1<sup>st</sup> (authorization to prepay) \$250.00 on June 30<sup>th</sup>, \$250.00 on August 30<sup>th</sup> and \$250.00 on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Ayes: (4) Becker, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Abstain: (1) Armbrust Motion Carried.

**Pumphouse Improvements**

The Town Board had a short discussion regarding the Varysburg Water pump house.

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Joe Meyer to table discussion of the pump house until the next meeting.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Comprehensive Plan**

Councilman Fontaine commented on some of the wording in the comprehensive plan, specifically on page 15 regarding fracking and commercial wind turbines. The Board decided to send the comprehensive plan to the County Planning Board and await their input before discussing the matter further. There will be a need to schedule another public hearing on the plan before it is passed.

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Mike Armbrust to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the referral paperwork and submit the comprehensive plan to the Wyoming County Planning Board for their review.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Gasiewicz Water Meter – Varysburg Water**

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Mike Armbrust to table discussion of the replacement of the water meter at the Gasiewicz property until Supervisor Becker has a chance to meet with Wayne Durfee.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

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**New Business**

**Varysburg Water Generator**

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Mike Armbrust to table discussion of the generator until after a walk-through of the pumphouse has been scheduled with Wayne Durfee.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

The quote received for a the new generator was \$25,000.00.

**Williamson Law Company Payroll Software**

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Joe Meyer to authorize the Supervisor to sign the payroll software contract with Williamson Law Company in the amount of \$730.00.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Purchase Sand for Varysburg Park Baseball Field**

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Joe Meyer to authorize the purchase of approximately 7 ton of ball park mix (sand) from Lakeside Sod Supply Company at a cost of \$76.70 per ton and to have the Highway Department pick up and deliver the sand.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Authorization to Sign Contract with Wyoming County Highway to Spend Highway Funds**

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Jim Fontaine to authorize the Town Supervisor, Town Highway Superintendent and the Town Board to sign the agreement with Wyoming County Highway to spend highway funds.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Bills:**

A motion was made by Jim Fontaine and seconded by Vince Kirsch that the General Bills #80 to #120 for a Total of \$33,979.71, the Highway Bills #47 to #70 for a Total of \$27,081.68, the Trust & Agency Bills #11 to #16 for a Total of \$2,307.11 the Varysburg Water District Bills #17 to #23 for a Total of \$3,346.52 the Capital Project Bills #8 to #8 for a Total of \$437.50 the Special Grants Bills #1 to #1 for a Total of \$341.14 and the Lighting District Bills for a Total of \$793.39 be paid.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.

**Comments from the Floor**

At 9:00 p.m. Supervisor Becker opened the floor to comments.

**Street Lights Out**

Councilman Fontaine asked for an update on the street lights out in the Town. The Town Clerk has notified NYSEG of lights out as she receives them. She does not receive notification from NYSEG when the lights are fixed so she relies on the Board and residents to let her know.

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**Teamsters Healthcare Coverage**

Councilman Kirsch asked if we obtained a copy of the healthcare coverage for the Highwaymen. The Town Clerk asked the Town Bookkeeper for a copy after the March board meeting and was told that we do not receive a copy. Supervisor Becker will reach out to the Teamsters to obtain a copy.

**Zoning Violation – Mills Property**

There was a short discussion of the zoning violation at the Mills property on Route 20A. The Zoning Officer has sent a certified letter advising Mr. Mills of the zoning violation.

**Adjournment**

At 9:06 p.m. a motion was made by Joe Meyer and seconded by Vince Kirsch to adjourn the April 20, 2016 regular meeting of the Sheldon Town Board.

Ayes: (5) Becker, Armbrust, Fontaine, Kirsch, Meyer Nays: (0) Motion Carried.