

**REGULAR MEETING
SHELDON TOWN BOARD
August 25, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Sheldon Town Board held August 25, 2015 at the Sheldon Historical Society was called to order by Deputy Town Supervisor Vince Kirsch at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmen: Vince Kirsch, Brian Becker, Mike Armbrust, Joe Meyer
Recording Secretary: Town Clerk Carol Zittel
Highway Superintendent David Ricketson
Absent: Supervisor John Knab

Also Present: Several members of the Sheldon Historical Society; Ricky Brzezicki from the Sheldon Fire Dept. A signed list of all present is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Minutes

A motion was made by Brian Becker and seconded by Joe Meyer that the minutes from the July 28, 2015 regular meeting be approved.

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

Communications

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

#27 Bail Bond

Justice Laura Kirsch forwarded information to the Town Clerk regarding a bail bond needing collection. The Town Clerk forwarded the information to the Law Office of David DiMatteo.

#28 Equalization Rate

The Town's equalization rate for 2015 is 86%.

#29 Extension of Justice Court Grant

Justice Laura Kirsch heard back from the Justice Court fund. The Town has been granted an extension on the use of the grant funds for the court room and office renovation.

#30 Six Star Post – Liquor License

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Joe Meyer to accept without objection the notice of liquor license renewal for the Six Star Post #637 in Strykersville.

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

Reports

Financial Reports were presented for the month of July 2015 from the Town Supervisor, Town Clerk and the Town Justices.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Sheldon Highway Superintendent David Ricketson reported on the following:

Sealing of Roads

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The Highway Dept. is finished sealing the following roads: Sunset, Meadow, Marie, Brookledge, Nancy, Lefort, Humphrey.

New Generator

The cover on the new generator will not open. Capitol Heat has been contacted.

East Aurora's Small Roller

The East Aurora Highway Dept. is selling its 1998 small roller. They would sell it to the Town of Sheldon for \$5,000.

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Brian Becker to authorize Hwy. Supt. Ricketson to contact the East Aurora Highway Dept. and ask if they would hold the roller (with or without a down payment) until the first of the year in order to use 2016 budget funds.

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

Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Knab was absent from tonight's meeting.

Acceptance of Reports

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

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

Old Business

Court Room/Town Hall Remodeling

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Brian Becker to schedule a special meeting for September 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sheldon Town Hall to discuss the court room/town hall renovation and to request architect, Heather Nemeč's attendance.

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

Teamsters Meeting – Highwaymen Contract

Councilmen Vince Kirsch and Brian Becker will contact the Highwaymen and their teamster's representative to try to set up a meeting on September 15, 2015.

New Business

NYS Magistrates Conference

A motion was made by Joe Meyer and seconded by Mike Armbrust to authorize Justice Laura Kirsch to attend the NYS Magistrates Annual conference in Niagara Falls on September 27-30, 2015 at an approximate cost of \$570.00.

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

Intersection of Route 77 and Perry Rd.

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Perry Rd. resident Pam Schultz addressed the Board regarding the recent fatal motor vehicle accident at the corner of Route 77 and Perry Rd. Ms. Schultz stated that this is the 3rd fatality in recent years at this intersection. She asked the Board to do something to try and prevent any further accidents.

A motion was made by Brian Becker and seconded by Mike Armbrust to authorize the Town Clerk to send a letter to the Wyoming County Traffic Safety Board asking them to consider installing double stop signs in each direction at the corner of Perry Rd. and Route 77 and/or the possibility of rumble strips. Highway Supt. Ricketson is on the County Traffic Safety Board and will convey the Board's request at their next meeting.

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

Sheldon Volunteer Fire Department Contract

At 7:30 p.m. Deputy Supervisor Vince Kirsch opened the public hearing for the Sheldon Volunteer Fire Department Contract.

Chief of the Fire Department, Ricky Brzezicki, was present at the meeting and asked the Board to consider a 5 year contract with a 2% increase each year.

At 8:00 p.m. a motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Brian Becker to close the public hearing on the Sheldon Volunteer Fire Department Contract.

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

A motion was made by Brian Becker and seconded by Mike Armbrust to contract with the Sheldon Volunteer Fire Department for fire protection services and approve a 5 year contract with a 2% increase in current funding for each year. 2016: \$108,243.22; 2017: \$110,408.08; 2018: \$112,616.24, 2019: \$114,868.56; 2020: \$117,165.93.

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

North Java Volunteer Fire Department Contract

The Town Board requested that another joint meeting be set up with the Towns of Java and Wethersfield and the North Java Fire Dept. to discuss the fire contract.

Amendment – Resident Project Representation Overage – Varysburg Water District

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Joe Meyer to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign Amendment #1 to the June 18, 2013 agreement between the Town of Sheldon and Chatfield Engineers for the Varysburg Water District Improvements Project. The net increase in fees is \$3,364.00.

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

Quotes – Cable Wiring Town Hall

Three quotes were received for cable wiring of the Town Hall.

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DJ Beardsley & Sons Inc., Castile, NY \$1,800

Working Knowledge, 435 Lawrence Bell Dr., Ste. 3, Buffalo, NY 14221 \$4,650

Bear Communications, 2797 California Hill Rd., Delevan, NY \$1,777.71

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Joe Meyer to accept the quote from Bear Communications in the amount of \$1,777.71 for the data and phone wiring at the Town Hall.

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

Pay Application #4 – Morsch Pipeline – Varysburg Water District Project

A motion was made by Brian Becker and seconded by Mike Armbrust to authorize pay application #4 to Morsch Pipeline for Varysburg Water System improvements in the amount of \$30,282.20.

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

Pay Application #2 – Statewide Aquastore – Varysburg Water District Project

A motion was made by Mike Armbrust and seconded by Brian Becker to authorize pay application #2 to Statewide Aquastore for Varysburg Water System improvements in the amount of \$79,988.00.

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

Budget Transfer

A motion was made by Joe Meyer and seconded by Brian Becker to authorize the transfer of \$70,000.00 from General Money Market A9901.9 to Highway Money Market DA5031 for August 2015 bills and payrolls.

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

Bills

A motion was made by Brian Becker and seconded by Joe Meyer that the General Bills #256 to #309 for a Total of \$26,566.17, the Highway Bills #136 to #148 for a Total of \$126,861.62, the Trust & Agency Bills #34 to #37 for a Total of \$1,797.40 the Varysburg Water District Bills #51 to #56 for a Total of \$834.12 the Special Grant Fund #10 to #14 for a Total of \$17,979.73 the Capital Project Bills #16 to #18 for a Total of \$111,505.80 and the Lighting District Bills for a Total of \$745.13 be paid.

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

Comments from the Floor

At 8:00 p.m. Deputy Supervisor Kirsch opened the floor to comments.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Brian Becker and seconded by Joe Meyer to adjourn the August 25, 2015 meeting of the Sheldon Town Board.

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