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COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS 07/21/2019

TOWN OF GALWAY TOWN BOARD MEETING

July 16, 2019

Call to order - Supervisor Smith

Roll Call - Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag - All

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held June 11, 2019

Communications Received - Town Clerk DeFoe

Reports of Committees

Reports of Department Heads

Budget

Approval of Abstract Fund A Approval of Abstract Fund B Approval of Abstract Fund DA Approval of Abstract Fund DB Approval of Abstract Fund SL Supervisor's Report Budget Amendments

Resolutions

Resolutions for budget amendments Resolution to Reappoint Vicky Hayner as Town Assessor

Other Business

Draft Solar Law presentation Erik Malinowski Eagle Scout Project Presentation Economic Forum Survey is in the Town Newsletter. June 26th is Year of the Senior Celebration-went very well

Privilege of the Floor

<u>Adjourn</u>

REGULAR MEETING JULY 16, 2019 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Smith called the Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Michael Smith

Councilman Fred Arnold

Councilwoman JoAnne Peregrim-Grant

Councilman Ryan Flinton

ABSENT:

Councilman Rod Wilday

OTHERS PRESENT: E. & C. Malinowski; P. Keeler, Historian; B. Ruman; J. Trainor, Attorney; B. Merchant; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; D. Costanzo, Highway Superintendent; C. Ciembroniewicz, Building Administrator; M. Jazwinski; K. Ruch; J. DiSalvatore & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated that Board Members received copies of the following correspondence: Dog Control Officer's Report for May & June with the Shelter Report for June; Assessor Report for July; Highway Maintenance Report for May with Schedule for June & June Maintenance Report with Schedule for July; Building Department Report covering 6/12 – 7/16/19; Budget Amendments & Thank you note for donation to After Prom Celebration. Other Correspondence: Legal Notice placed in Daily Gazette on 6/16/19 advising that the Town Clerk's Office would be closed July 9th thru 11th; Legal Notice placed in Daily Gazette on 6/16/19 advising that Town Board Meeting was changed from 7/9/19 to 7/16/19 at 7:00 p.m.; Correspondence from NYS DEC advising that mining permit for Galway/Milton/Providence Mine had been renewed with expiration date of 6/22/24; Additional updates on commercial auto policy with Amsure was received and reviewed by Highway Superintendent for accuracy & information packets from Attorney Trainor regarding Solar Laws.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Committee Reports- None. **Department Head Reports** - **Supervisor Smith** advised that new projector was purchased and the highway department installed new screen today for presentations.

Phyllis Keeler, Historian introduced Eagle Scout, Eric Malinowski. Eric went over his Eagle Scout Project located at the Mechanic Street Church Cemetery. Eric stated that the Highway Department worked hand in hand with him on this project. At the start of project there was a huge uprooted tree in the middle of several over turned stones; broken columns & bent iron rods. Then came the storm of 2016 dropping 4-5 huge locust trees in the middle of cemetery adding to the destruction. The finished project was amazing, new columns were pored; rods were heated with portable welder and bent back into place

and then painted black; leaves and tree debris were a huge undertaking to cut up and remove; stone bases were redone and put back into place; stones were cleaned; research was done to make sure every person was catalogued to match records; 32 graves were located (9) men, (11) women & (12) children one grave was not found. The before and after pictures of the cemetery were amazing. Great job done by Eagle Scout Eric Malinowski!

Highway – Dave Costanzo, Highway Superintendent stated for June they paved Alexander Road; paved 1,000 feet of Parkis Mills Road intersection with Cruthers Road; paved with Ballston, Greenfield & Milton; picked up a 2007, F150 pickup truck in Butler, PA for \$754 they put a new battery in it and windshield wipers; installed home run fence at baseball field; mowed ROW's, Town Hall & Ball field. July they sealed Crane Road; Dean Lung Road; Faber Road; Mechanic Street & Ridge Road; Installed stone drains at ball field; cut brush on Hudson Road, will continue with overhead cutting; will pave with Greenfield; ditching and replacing of driveway & cross culverts will be done on: Bliss Road; Crane Road; Graves Road; Hermance Road; Lake Road; Parkis Mills Road & Southline Road; will continue to mow Town Hall, Ball field and ROW's.

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the June 2019 General Abstract of Vouchers (A) for a total of \$16,564.17.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flinton to approve the June General Abstract of Vouchers (B) for a total of \$3,915.32.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the June Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) for a total of \$9,807.33.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the June Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) for a total of \$152,429.93.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flinton to approve the June Special Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) for a total of \$90.24.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Flinton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the June Tri-Town Gravel Facility Abstract of Vouchers (TT) for a total of \$3,840.23.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flinton to approve the Supervisor's Operating Statement for the period ending 06/30/2019.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

<u>RESOLUTION #: 29-2019</u>- Budget Amendments. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES-4 NAYS-0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget Amendments:

DECREASE B2350 YOUTH REC-OTHER GOVRN'T \$500 INCREASE B7310.4 YOUTH PROGRAMS \$500.00

DECREASE B2350 YOUTH REC-OTHER GOVRN'T \$240.00 INCREASE B7310.4 YOUTH PROGRAMS \$240.00

DECREASE B2350 YOUTH REC-OTHER GOVRN'T \$1225.00 INCREASE B7310.4 YOUTH PROGRAMS \$1225.00

DECREASE B2350 YOUTH REC-OTHER GOVRN'T \$480.00 INCREASE B7310.4 YOUTH PROGRAMS \$480.00

DECREASE B2350 YOUTH REC-OTHER GOVRN'T \$85.00 INCREASE B7310.4 YOUTH PROGRAMS \$85.00

DECREASE DA3089 STATE GRANTS-PLAY FIELDS \$48455.50 INCREASE DA5130.2 MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT \$48455.50

DECREASE DA1640 AMBULANCE CHARGES \$637.36 INCREASE DA5142.41 SNOW REMOVAL FUEL \$637.36

DECREASE DA1640 AMBULANCE CHARGES \$778.83 INCREASE DA5142.41 SNOW RENOVAL FUEL \$778.83

DECREASE DA2770 OTHER UNCLASSIFIED REVENUE \$873.21 INCREASE DA5130.4 MACHINERY CONTRACTUAL \$873.21 All ayes. MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 30-2019 – Highway Budget Amendments. On a motion of Councilwoman Grant, seconded by Councilman Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS - 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget Amendments:

Increase

DB5110.4 Road Repairs

PAVE NY Fund

\$31,861.60

Increase

DB5110.4 Road Repairs

Extreme Winter Recovery

\$26,545.00

All aves.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 31-2019 – Reappointment of Assessor. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Flinton the following resolution was ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Michael Smith - AYE

Councilman Fred Arnold – AYE

Councilwoman JoAnne Grant - AYECouncilman Ryan Flinton - AYE

WHEREAS, the Towns Sole Appointed Assessors appointment term will be

expiring on September 30, 2019, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Victoria L. Hayner be appointed as Sole Assessor of the Town of Galway for a term that begins on October 1, 2019 and expires on September 30, 2025 and be it further RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the NYS Office of Real Property Tax Service.

AYES-4 NAYS-0

MOTION CARRIED

<u>RESOLUTION #: 32-2019</u> – Fee for new Town Code Book. Town Clerk stated that General Code has changed the format of the Code Book to letter size paper. This changes the replacement cost of Code Book from \$100 to \$50. Town Board needs to do resolution addressing cost change. On a motion of Councilman Flinton, seconded by Councilwoman Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES-4 NAYS-0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board change the fee for the purchase of Town of Galway Code Book from \$100. to \$50.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

GEMS – Supervisor Smith stated that Ambulance Corp. was here tonight to present proposed figures for 2020. Brian Merchant stated that the GEMS did have figures available for Town Board to review with reference to Proposed 2020 Tax District Budget. Chariton has established a Board of Commissioners with (3) Members to address Ambulance Corp. GEMS has attended an Agenda meeting in Providence to start review of budget there. Brian was hoping the Town of Galway was going to have Commissioners as they do in Charlton. Would like to set up workshop which would allow Town Board time to review information presented in Proposed Budget. Revenue/Expenses were given for 2017, 2018 and 6 months of 2019; Calls per District for 2016, 2017, 2018 & 6 months of 2019; Current and proposed contract for each District; hourly salary information & E5 Support Services Quote. Councilman Arnold questioned if Commissioners for Charlton were appointed or elected. Brian stated that they were appointed. Tom O'Brien questioned what the increase was that GEMS was looking for in 2020. Brian stated the 2019 contract was for \$136,000, for 2020 they are looking at \$185,129.74. **Tom** stated that he and other residents are concerned with how the re-evaluation project, Library project and Ambulance are going to affect their September School Tax Bill. Councilman Flinton & Arnold questioned how many volunteers they currently had. Mike Jazwinski stated five including himself & Amy. Councilman Arnold stated that he didn't see them as getting volunteers when others are being paid. Councilman Arnold stated that Mike gets paid. Mike Jazwinski stated he gets paid for 40 hours but averages over 100 hours per week. They went into discussion regarding this. Councilman Arnold was also concerned with Charlton appointing Commissioner and being the smallest contributor, they have no control over Galway's Tax District Budget. Councilman Flinton & Councilman Arnold felt there should be a number of representatives for each township Charlton having (1); Providence (1-2) & Galway (2-3) when discussion this with community. Providence has not gone to a taxing district; Ambulance is currently still an item on their budget. Supervisor Smith stated that he has been talking with the Supervisor from Corinth regarding these issues and they run their Ambulance Service thru the Town. Supervisor Smith stated that they could hold a workshop on August 7th at 7:00 p.m. to go over information submitted by GEMS.

Attorney James Trainor – Supervisor Smith advised that the Town has had a few different Attorney's offices contact us regarding Solar Law's on both a minor and major basis. The Town's current regulation do not address this so Attorney Trainor as the Planning & ZBA Attorney was asked to research it. Jim wrote the Solar Law for the Town of Stillwater and he had another draft Law's for Board to review. Jim stated the reason Town's need Local Law's with reference to Solar Regulations are to have the ability to regulate solar projects with reference to what is built, where it is built and how it is built. The Town wants to have a say in how the tax revenue is handled with reference to Section 487 of the NY Real Property Law. They want to ensure adequate resources are available should that solar farm become decommissioned. There are two types of solar collection systems. A Major Solar Collection System uses a large area of land "Solar Farm" with lots of panels that generate power. Minor Solar Collection Systems are usually found attached to buildings or residents inside or on roofs. Both systems he believes should be addressed in a Solar Law. Jim gave an overview of both packets. Supervisor Smith questioned if Stillwater Law has been challenged. Jim stated that it had not, actually a pilot program was offered by a developer. Supervisor Smith suggested that everyone review the information submitted by Attorney Trainor get their questions together for next month so Board may be ready to schedule a Public Hearing in September.

Galway Reader will be mailed out shortly. Economic Development Survey is in that Reader, Supervisor Smith requested that everyone complete and return survey. On June 26th the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors held a celebration for Seniors at Congress Park with over 2,000 Seniors in attendance.

Privilege of the Floor - Kyle Ruch 5694 Crooked Street stated thru the years she has come to the Town voicing her concerns with the bright lights aimed at her home from the Cassidy residence next door. This year the lights are brighter than ever. She wants to know how this every night lighting of her home by her neighbor can be addressed and enforced thru the lighting code of the town. Chet stated that this was the first time in pproximately two years that he has heard of any issue by Kyle regarding lighting. Chet suggested she contact him by email, he would be happy to come out and check out current situation. Jackie DiSalvatore 5700 Crooked Street stated that she is about four houses down from this area and she can verify lighting issue. Jackie questioned what the status was on 5698 Crooked Street next to her owned by the same person she believed it was classified as abandoned. Councilman Flinton stated that the section of the Town Code that referenced abandonment of property was not held up in court. Jackie stated that they have people there having camp fires and is concerned with danger on this lot due to overgrowth. Chet stated that the Town can't keep them from having camp fires. Kyle questioned if previous fines were every collected from Mr. Cassidy with reference to court hearing. Town Clerk stated that a case went before Amsterdam court and if fees were charged, they were paid to Amsterdam for hearing said case not Galway.

On a motion of Councilman Flinton, seconded by Councilwoman Grant the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. DeFoe

Town Clerk