

RUSHFORD BOARD MEETING

February 11, 2019

PRESENT: Peter Wade, Supervisor
 Councilmen: Charles Bliss, Scott Walter William Tucker, Ken McElheny

ALSO PRESENT: Tracy Pastorius, Town Clerk

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor Peter Wade asked the Town Board if there were any addition to the agenda. A motion was made by Scott Walter, second by Will Tucker to approve the agenda with additions/subtractions.

Carried 5 Ayes 1 Nay

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2019 Town Board Meeting was made by Scott Walter, second by Will Tucker.

Carried 5 Ayes 0 Nay

General Fund Bills, Abstract #2, Claims 30 -47 in the amount of \$6,088.37 were reviewed. A motion was made by Ken McElheny, second by Scott Walter to approve the payment of these claims and any other utility bills not received by the Board Meeting.

Carried 5 Ayes 0 Nay

Highway Fund Bills, Abstract #2, Claims 22 - 36 in the amount of \$13,790.22 were reviewed. A motion was made by Charles Bliss, second by Ken McElheny to approve payment of these claims.

Carried 5 Ayes 0 Nay

The Town Clerk's monthly report and fees of \$106.75.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

The Supervisor's report was submitted and filed. A copy was distributed to the Town Board.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

No report

LAKE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

No report

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Mostly phone calls this time of the year.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Zoning Camper Issue – Tabled
 Need to look at the Planning Board minutes.
- B. Fund Balance Policy - Was sent over to Baldwin Business Services and Supervisor Wade has not heard back from them. Supervisor Wade says this should be discussed with the Long Term Plan.
- C. Recording of the Town Board meetings is legal and can be done. It was stated in 2018 that they could not be recorded.
- D. Playground Equipment Bids were opened by the Town Clerk.
 Miracle Recreation Equip. Co. Syracuse, NY in the amount of \$9,798.58
 This bid includes a Triangle Deck, Square Decks, Big Timber Log Climber, 5' Side-By-Side Slide w/Canopy, Tot Rock Climber, Bell, ADA Stairs between Decks, etc.
 Layout and pictures of proposed bid available at the Town Clerks office.

John Curtiss Design, Inc. Frewsburg, NY in the amount of \$9,478.00
 This bid includes a Mighty Fun Mountain, Duck, Pony and Spring Footer Frames.
 Pictures of the items in the bid are available at the Town Clerks office.

These bid prices will be discussed with REDO to see what amount of money they want to spend along with the Town of Rushford.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Teri Ross – Allegany County Treasurer spoke regarding paying Town/County taxes with a credit card through Express Pay with the Systems East program that is already used for tax collection. There is no set-up fee and Allegany County will absorb the monthly \$10.00 fee if the Town of Rushford decides to start using it. The tax payer will have to pay the 2.85% fee and it would be calculated through the system that they use to pay by credit card. The Tax Collector will have to upload a file to the system at the end of January and at the end of the February to reflect the penalty charges.

A motion was made by Charles Bliss, second by Scott Walter to set-up the system to accept credit cards for Town/County Tax collection for the year 2020.

5 Ayes 0 Nay

- B. Resolution #1 of 2019 (The Rushford Economic Development Organization (REDO) seeks to have an affiliated working relationship with the Town of Rushford, NY)

A motion was made by Scott Walter, second by Will Tucker to accept Resolution #1 of 2019.

4 Ayes 0 Nay

Supervisor Wade had to reclude himself from the vote due to being the Chairperson for REDO.

Two other Resolution were discussed but have got to be rewritten with changes.

- C. Supervisors Statement:

The Town Hall roof is done.

The Library wall will be fixed by volunteers when the weather breaks.

The Community Café is need of volunteers if anyone would be interested in volunteering for a few hours.

The Wifi/Phone systems will be Fiber optic.

A letter was received by the Town Clerk from Delaware River Solar stating that it intends to build a solar project in the Town of Rushford (Dan Williams). It also stated in the letter that they have been working or plan to work with the town officials on the permitting requirements.

The Governor has said that he wants to take the AIM money from Towns. The Towns are hoping that this will not happen.

More will be added to the Town of Rushford website. "From the Supervisor's Desk" has already been added and Supervisor Wade will update monthly.

OPEN FORUM:

Mary Jo Hubbard asked the status of the Wind Mills. Supervisor Wade stated that the application has been sent to the State.

Dick Hubbard asked about Solar Laws. Supervisor Wade stated that just set backs are needed to be look at.

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:38 PM was made by Will Tucker, second by Ken McElheny.

Carried Ayes 0 Nay

Respectfully Submitted

Tracy Pastorius
Town Clerk