

## MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 19, 2020

Supervisor Hall calls meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance observed by all.

Roll call: Supervisor Russ Hall-present  
Councilperson Jill Hoopes-present  
Councilperson Carolyn Carney-present  
Councilperson Linda Mascho-present  
Councilperson Steve Ritter-present

Also present-Patricia Schurr, Town Clerk

Assemblage- Leslie Dahill, Jim Monheim, Mike Bidwell, Dale Clark, Oakley Sortore,  
BJ Howell, Karl Kruger, Kevin Snyder

Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from July 15, 202, Steve Ritter, seconded by Carolyn Carney.  
All approve.

Motion to approve the Supervisor's Report for the month of July 2020, offered Jill Hoopes, seconded by  
Linda Mascho. All approve.'

Motion to approve the audited bills in the amount of 74,554.69, offered by Jill Hoopes, seconded by  
Steve Ritter.

Roll call vote: Jill Hoopes-aye  
Carolyn Carney-aye  
Linda Mascho-aye  
Steve Ritter-aye  
Russell Hall-aye

### **SUPERVISOR CONCERNS**

Paperwork was received on the Allegany County National Scenic Byway Project requesting the Town to  
appoint a delegate for Friendship.

Motion to appoint Allegany County National Scenic Byway Project delegate Linda Mascho, offered by  
Steve Ritter, seconded by Jill Hoopes. All approve.

Concerns with people dumping in the dumpster at the Island Park. Three different license plates  
numbers are in the process of being looked up to give them a warning on dumping their trash.

Supervisor Hall advised he met with Senator Borello and he advised he was told that the State is cutting  
back on 20% on all funding for the 2021 tax season. All grants are being held up. CHIP money has not  
been released yet. Per Mike Bidwell, Hwy Superintendent advised he can't spend more than the CHIPS  
brings in, you have to have that money in your budget.

2021 will be tough on small municipalities.

Councilperson Carolyn Carney advised she had some complaints on Austin Road and back roads with the  
4 wheelers. O.I. C. B.J. Howe advised with Labor day weekend coming up he will make sure he has  
police force on duty.

Councilperson Linda Mascho has complaint about Fred Cook's property on Maple Ave. where they have  
been having a barn sale on that property. Its not safe, the house is half demo'd. It was promised that it

would be taken down years ago. The Code Enforcement is currently working on this, as well as other properties in Town.

#### BUDGET INFORMATION

Work on the Budget will be on Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am Supervisor and Councilpersons will start to meet with the Department Heads to briefly go over their budget and then Baldwins will meet to go over the Budget at 11:00 a.m.

#### RESOLUTION 17-2020

**Resolution** to Relevy the Water and Sewer as well as unpaid Broken Water Meters onto the 2021 Town and County Tax Roll for the Town of Friendship.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THAT THE Town of the Town of Friendship, Allegany County, New York, will relevy all delinquent water and sewer rental fees/bill as well as outstanding bills for broken water meters on the Real Property taxes no later than November 1, 2020, offered by Steve Ritter, seconded by Carolyn Carney.

Roll call vote:

Jill Hoopes-aye

Carolyn Carney-aye

Linda Mascho-aye

Steve Ritter-aye

Russell Hall-aye

It was suggested by Supervisor Hall to make a list of any meters not yet replaced and replace them.

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\*Several retention schedules are being consolidated into one by the State archives. Towns are required to adopt the new schedule (LGS-1) thru the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION 18-2020

**RESOLVED**, By the Town of Friendship, that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local government Records issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

(a) Only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention described therein;

(b) Only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

Resolution 18-2020 offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Jill Hoopes.

Roll call vote: Jill Hoopes-aye, Carolyn Carney-aye, Linda Mascho-aye, Steve Ritter-aye, Russell Hall-aye.

#### PUBLIC WORKS

**Motion** to approve the purchase of a meter for the School in the amount of \$3,097.88, offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Jill Hoopes.

**Roll call vote:** Jill Hoopes-aye

Carolyn Carney-aye

Linda Mascho-aye

Steve Ritter-aye

Russell Hall-aye

**POLICE FOIL INFORMATION-**

\*POLICE Information on MUCK ROCK FOIL request- Per B.J. Howe there has been an injunction halting the release the police disciplinary records to the public for now. He has not received the correct F.O.I.L. application from MUCK Rock so no records have been released. The Town Attorney says it is o.k. because it is being stalled.

\*Older Police car's transmission has a small skip in, that year model is known for that problem. Supervisor Hall advised to get some quotes on it. **Should not** put thousand of dollars in it.

CODE

\*Adoption for the New International Building Code for 2020 and what the Town Board needs to do will be brought forth at the September meeting, the Code Enforcement officer is looking into this.

**UPDATE ON PURCHASING A NEW MOWER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS**

**Board has an idea** on how much it will cost to contract someone to mow vs. buying a new mower. It is too late this year to BID the work out, maybe do this next year, in the mean time they have some numbers to work with for the Budget. They may trial a 1 year period with a contractor.

**REPORTS RECEIVED**

- Town clerk report for July 2020
- Police report for Jan – July 2020
- Public works report
- Water system report
- Shared Service report
- Dog Control report
- Wastewater report
- Justice report
- Ode Enforcement report
- Assessor's report

Motion to adjourn offered by Linda Mascho, seconded by Carolyn Carney.

All approve.

8:07 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Schurr  
Town Clerk