

Town of Butternuts

March 8, 2023

Regular Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:13 PM by Town Supervisor Bruce Giuda. The pledge was said by all.

Minutes by Town Clerk Lucy Richards.

Board Members present: Supervisor Bruce Giuda, Councilman Keith Lilley, Councilman Paul Irwin, Councilman Teresa Winchester, and Councilman John Hill.

Visitors present : Jerry Madsen, Scot Lueck, and Barbara Lilley.

Public Comment : Scot Lueck thanked the Highway Department for their recent assistance. Jerry Madsen spoke on ambulance service in the area.

Keith Lilley made the motion to dispense with the reading of the February 8, 2023 regular meeting minutes, John Hill seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

Keith Lilley made the motion to approve the February 8, 2023 regular meeting minutes with corrections, Teresa Winchester seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

Reports : Town Clerk yes, Town Justice no, Dog Control yes, Assessor yes, Highway Superintendent yes, Supervisor yes. See Attachments.

Committee Reports : Policy Procurement Policy needs some revision Teresa Winchester is working on it. Audits are progressing Paul Irwin completed Justice audit. Laws, Paul Irwin will look into local laws. Highway and Machinery, John Hill is looking into inventory. Buildings and Grounds, Keith Lilley made the motion to spend money to stop rain and snow melt damage, John Hill seconded the motion, all agree motion carried. Keith Lilley made the request for bids for overhead doors on the Cold Storage Building. Parks, Bruce Giuda stated that fiber optic should be in place when park opens. Keith Lilley mentioned there is a demand for the services the park offers. Comprehensive Plan, Local business will be receiving letters asking for their input.

Old Business: 1. Comprehensive Plan Update, the plan is progressing.

2. Completion of Dry Brook Retaining Wall (Highway Garage)

3. Fireman and EMS Tax Exemption Chapter 670 of the Laws of 2022.

4. TENCO Snow Equipment, Bruce Giuda made the motion to cancel CS8254552 contract for TENCO Snow Equipment, John Hill seconded the motion all in favor motion carried.

New Business: 1. New Volvo Plow Truck, Keith Lilley made the motion to purchase Volvo Plow Truck, Teresa Winchester seconded the motion, all agree motion carried. John Hill and Bruce Giuda recommend outfitting Plow Truck in October.

2. Appoint Deputy Town Clerk & Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics, Keith Lilley made the motion to appoint Jacqueline Foster as Deputy Clerk and Deputy Registrar, Paul Irwin seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

3. Appoint Deputy Tax Collector, Bruce Giuda made the motion to appoint Lucy Richards as Deputy Tax Collector, John Hill seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

3a. Approve Official Undertakings, Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Official Undertakings for 2023, Teresa Winchester seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

4. Financial reports Paul Irwin made the motion to approve 2022 Financial Reports, Keith Lilley seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

5. Proposal for Engineering Services / Flemvale, a vision for the park.

6. Quotes For Contractual Work / Highway Garage Keith Lilley made the motion to hire Dan Seymour to do the contractual work, Paul Irwin seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

7. Municipal Cooperation Resolution / NYCLASS, Keith Lilley made the motion to approve the resolution, John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

8. Request for Garage Door Bids for the Cold Storage Building, John Hill made the motion to request sealed bids published in legal notices, Teresa Winchester seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

9. Payment of Vouchers 23086 -23112 Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve the Vouchers, Teresa Winchester seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

10. Copes Corners Dry Brook Repairs, Bruce Giuda made the motion to apply for DEC permit to make Dry Brook repairs, John Hill seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

11. Right of Way for Otsego Electric John Hill made the motion to approve Right of Way, seconded by Paul Irwin, all agree motion carried.

12. Excess Property John Hill will be making a list of excess property for sale.

13. Shared Services Agreement with NYSDOT, Keith Lilley made the motion to approve the Shared Services Agreement, Seconded by Teresa Winchester, all agree, motion carried.

14. Sand and Gravel bids Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Ack Acres bid for sand, John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried. Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Northern Crushing bid for gravel, Teresa Winchester seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

15. Agreement for Electric Usage with Otsego County, Keith Lilley made the motion to enter Agreement with Otsego County, John Hill seconded the motion, all agree, motion carried.

Board Discussion : Teresa Winchester made the motion to support Otsego 2000 in their resolution to oppose Executive Article VII Budget request, Part N. Seconded by Keith Lilley, all agree motion carried.

The Town of Butternuts received a letter from twelve Taylor Road residents, concerned about the poor condition of Taylor Road.

Bruce Giuda made the motion to Adjourn at 10:36 PM, Keith Lilley seconded the motion, all agree, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Lucy Richards