

Town of Butternuts

Regular Meeting

July 12, 2023

Meeting was called to order 7:01 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, Councilman John Hill and Cory Wilber Highway Superintendent.

Visitors present: Barbara L. Lilley, Marsha Nelson, Brian Devine, Robert T. Devine, Dan Utter and County Supervisor Jerry Madsen.

Privilege of the Floor: The poor condition of Coon Road was discussed, solutions to the problem were discussed.

Copes Corners Park internet access was discussed. New broadcasting antenna are ordered.

Jerry Madsen spoke concerning County business, there will be no County Tax Sale this year. Towns need to be prepared for solar energy proposals.

Minutes: Keith Lilley made the motion to dispense with reading of the June 14, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes and to accept minutes as presented. John Hill seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

Reports: Town Clerk yes, Town Justice yes, Dog Control yes, Assessor, Highway Superintendent yes, Supervisor's Report yes.

Committee Reports: Policy: Teresa Winchester submitted a paper outlining proper use of Town Vehicles. Teresa Winchester will be working with Barbara Lilley on Ethics Policy. Copes Corners Park rates will be established annually. Audit and Law completed Paul Irwin will be working on audit report format for Highway Department. Law: Noise Ordinance two things, who will enforce and a certified sound meter. Highway and Machinery. Buildings and Grounds: yes. Park yes. Comprehensive Plan work meeting progressing. Ethics Board: meeting was held and a fair discussion was reported, recommendations were made.

Keith Lilley made the motion to accept Reports, John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

Old Business: 1. Excess Property 20 ft. storage container was sold for \$3600.00.

2. Dry Brook project by Highway Garage (FEMA) a plan was made to finish project.

3. Annual Policy Reviews was discussed in committee reports.

4. Identification on New Trucks has been completed.

5. Opt Out of Local Law will be discussed next meeting.

New Business: 1. Fuel Bids Town will be going with the County.

2. Salt Bids Town will be going with the County.

3. Update Subdivision and Site Plan Applications, suggestions were made, draft forms will be ready next meeting.

4. Financial Reports – June 2023 Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Financial Reports for June 2023, John Hill seconded the motion, all agree motion carried.

5. Dry Brook Remediation Copes Corners Park, as stated in Old Business Highway crew short one man, it was suggested that help is needed to finish project.

6. Budget Transfer of \$ 400.00 from A1110.45 to A1110.4 for materials needed by the Justice. Bruce Giuda made the motion to transfer \$400.00 from A1110.45 to A1110.4, Paul Irwin seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

7. Approve Payments of Vouchers 23221-23253 for \$44,976.27. Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Vouchers 23221-23253 for \$44,976.27, Paul Irwin seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

8. Approve Payment of Voucher 23254 for \$400.00. Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Voucher 23254 for \$400.00, Paul Irwin seconded the motion, Teresa Winchester yes, Paul Irwin yes, Keith Lilley no, Bruce Giuda yes, John Hill yes, motion carried.

Board Discussion: Board of Election Commissioner Presentation/Discussion, board agreed to a meeting to discuss checks and balances of election rolls.

Fuel Sharing with Gilbertsville Fire Department. It was agreed that the Fire Department needs to make an appointment for fueling with Highway Superintendent, a monthly billing system will be used. Supervisor Bruce Giuda will develop an intermunicipal agreement with the Fire Department for Board approval.

Town Constable someone needs to enforce local law. Supervisor Bruce Giuda will continue researching what is necessary to have a Town Constable.

Adjournment: Bruce Giuda made the motion to adjourn at 8:20 PM, John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Richards

