

TOWN OF BUTTERNUTS

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 8, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Town Supervisor Bruce Giuda.

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 Highway Superintendent David Haynes.

Visitors present: Alberta V. Koslow, Scot Lueck, Jerry Madsen County Representative, James Polhemus, Barbara Lilley, and Keith Klingman.

Privilege of the Floor: Scott Lueck submitted Fire Department contractual obligation. James Polhemus asked about bats or mold in attic area, Bruce Giuda stated there is neither present. Alberta Koslow stated that she is very pleased with the work done on her road (cutting back brush on Nelson Hill). Jerry Madsen stated that 911 numbers and maps for the Town were given to the Fire Department and OSHA regulations have been updated. House number signs can be purchased from the Fire Department.

Keith Lilley made the motion to dispense with reading of the April 10, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes Paul Irwin seconded the motion all agree motion carried. Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve April 10, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes with corrections. Teresa Winchester seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

Reports: Town Clerk yes, Town Justice yes, Dog Control yes, Assessor yes, Highway Superintendent stated that the road crew have been mowing road sides and cleaning ditches. He stated that missing road signs need to be replaced. Superintendent will get quotes for crusher run and calcium chloride for dust control. Superintendent and highway crew attended training on drainage. Superintendent discussed working agreement with Gorman.

Committee Reports: Policy Report discussed in Old Business, Audit / Law audit of financial report, law Noise Law was discussed, Highway & Machinery no report, Buildings and Grounds working on parking lot lighting, Park yes very busy, Comprehensive Plan no report, Ethics Board no report. Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve all reports John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

Old Business: 1. Local Law #1 of 2024 / Establishment of a Town Constabulary: Teresa Winchester made the motion to approve Local Law #1 of 2024 / Establishment of a Town Constabulary. John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

2. Town Website: Teresa Winchester made the motion to allow Supervisor Bruce Giuda to employ Kate Fiduccia at \$35.00 per hour for updating Town of Butternuts Website (Town of Butternuts Website will remain property of the Town of Butternuts) John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

3. Technology for Town Board Members was discussed.

4. Annual Policy Reviews: Teresa Winchester and Town Council Members and Highway Superintendent reviewed Spoils and Scrap Material Policy. It was decided that Supervisor Bruce Giuda will acquaint Town Clerk, Town Clerk Deputy, Town Tax Collector, Town Tax Collector Deputy, Town Justice, Town Justice Clerk, Dog Control Officer and Assessor with the Spoils and Scrap Material Policy. Highway Superintendent will be responsible to acquaint Highway Crew with Spoils and Scrap Material Policy. All affected will sign a letter of compliance.

5. Climate Smart Communities Grant not enough Towns have signed on as yet.

New Business: 1. Bruce Giuda made the motion to remove Gina Gardner from the Town of Butternuts Planning Board for failure to attend meetings and receive required training. Keith Lilley seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

2. Bruce Giuda made the motion to appoint Greg Favinger to the vacant Planning Board Seat. Teresa Winchester seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

3. Budget Transfer is needed for unallocated funds for insurance.

4. Paul Irwin made the motion to approve Financial Reports for April John Hill seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

5. Bruce Giuda made the motion to approve Payments of vouchers 24122 - 24152 for \$54380.36. Teresa Winchester Seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

Board Discussion: Bruce Guida presented guidelines for submitting vouchers, among them being: bills need to come addressed correctly, voucher dated and signed and presented to Town Supervisor by the Saturday before a Board Meeting.

American Legion Auxiliary have arranged with Tom Pasternack to put up Veteran Banners.

Six Members of the Planning Board along with Greg Favinger attended Planning Board Training at the Milford School May 8, 2024.

Bruce Giuda made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 PM Keith Lilley seconded the motion all agree motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Richards

