

A REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, 201 THIRD AVE., FRANKFORT, NEW YORK.

Present: Glenn D. Asnoe, Supervisor
Joseph Tamburro, Councilman
Michael Testa, Councilman
John Wallace, Councilman
Ronald Testa, Highway Superintendent
Sgt. Matthew Palumbo, Police OIC
Absent: Darlene Abbatecola, Councilwoman

Supervisor Asnoe opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS No public present.

NO. 235 APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to approve the meeting minutes of November 27th 2019. Second by Councilman Testa. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

COMMITTEE REPORTS / DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Monthly reports from town clerk, codes, and police department were submitted and reviewed.

Police Department: Sgt. Matthew Palumbo briefly explained the new discovery and bail reform changes that will take effect January 1, 2020, and informed the board that his officers attended training at the District Attorney's office and he will be having a departmental meeting on December 28th to review changes in operation. He further reported that Jacob Grose has resigned and has taken on a full-time position in Little Falls, and Mark Perritano wants to return to work for the Town Police part-time. He also reported that he found a 2019 Dodge Durango to purchase at the cost of \$32,000 and the vehicle will be held until January 2020. He will also recommend selling/auctioning the 2012 Chevy Impala and the 2014 Ford Taurus next year.

NO. 236 APPROVE MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to accept the monthly department reports. Second by Councilman Testa. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Monthly bank statement report submitted by Supervisor Asnoe.

WEST FRANKFORT WATER

Supervisor Asnoe reported that the funding application for the Lower District was submitted, and it was allowed to be submitted prior to water sample results. **TABLED**

NEW TOWN HALL

Security: Waiting for Central Security to submit their proposal. **Boiler:** Still having issues and Air Temp changed the thermal coupling. **TABLED**

ASSESSOR POSITION

Supervisor Asnoe reported that there was supposed to be an interview last night, but the person couldn't make it, and it's been rescheduled for tomorrow at 4:30 pm. **TABLED**

BROOKSIDE DRIVE PUMP STATION

Councilman Tamburro stated that he's hoping the proposal from EFI will be approved tonight for transporting the pump station, and reported that a truck is dropping something off in Virginia and will be driving here by Friday and loading on Saturday morning. Supervisor Asnoe voiced his concern of the wording of the proposal "Emergency Dedicated Trip", which is no longer the case and will they lower the price. The proposal includes travel expenses and truck driver only; does not include the crane or loading of the station. The station has to be ready for loading on Saturday. Councilman Tamburro assured that it's wrapped and ready. Councilman Wallace voiced concerns that there has been no declarations to date relative to reimbursements. **TABLED**

NO. 237 APPROVE EFI SOLUTIONS TO TRANSPORT/EVALUATE PUMP STATION

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace that the town board resolves to accept proposal (quote #16722) from EFI Solutions to transport and evaluate the Brookside Drive Pump Station, and authorize the supervisor to sign and execute all necessary documents. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

Councilman Tamburro stated that he will be meeting with Mike Irons (Village of Frankfort) to discuss the site of the pump. Supervisor Asnoe stated that Chris Lawton was supposed to meet today with Hwy Supt. Testa and Mike, but never called. The Town has to decide the new site for the pump station (probably on the back side turn-around) and will have to involve National Grid due to the overhead power lines. Board members discussed whether the Town has to go out for bid to get the site ready. Councilman Tamburro commented that this is an emergency situation and the local tenants in the 5S South Business Park are working with very little water; also utilizing portable toilet facilities.

Councilman Tamburro referenced an email from Jim McLaughlin (NYSDOT) to the Village of Frankfort stating that they have completed storm related repairs relative to erosion of Moyer Creek at Route 5S and Brookside Drive and that it is the owner of Brookside Drive to repair the erosion between it and the creek. Supervisor Asnoe stated that the State's failure at the bridge caused the road to erode.

TREE COMPLAINT—KENT BLVD.

Hwy Supt. Testa reported that he will contact someone to see what can be done in that area.

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CHARLESTOWN

Supervisor Asnoe reported that he supplied the board with a copy of a letter from the City of Utica and the Town of Frankfort sent to Congressman Anthony Brindisi requesting federal assistance to remediate Charlestown Mall.

WEST FRANKFORT WATER

Councilman Wallace reported that he received one copy of the draft report for the Middle District (BCA will be sending 2 more copies) and have discussed with BCA Engineers to meet and discuss in person. The report is very promising with 3 options and funding looks affordable. Also the Mohawk Valley Water Authority has approved \$50,000 towards the tank.

NO. 238 TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to adopt Resolution No. 237, relative to three (3) certiorari proceedings, attached and read. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Hwy Supt. Testa reported that Wilson Road is almost done and will reopen soon. Received estimate to make repairs on Slatonbush Terrace at the cost of \$48,000.

NO. 239 APPROVE PAY INCREASE—HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to approve probationary pay increase to Donald Meszler from \$18.06 per hour to \$18.57 per hour straight time; \$27.86 per hour overtime rate, effective December 5, 2019. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 240 ACCEPT RESIGNATION—POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town accepts the resignation, with regret, from Jacob Grose effective December 23, 2019, and thank him for his service. Second by Council Members Tamburro and Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 241 APPROVE PART-TIME APPOINTMENT—POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to reappoint Marcus Perritano as a part-time police officer at the rate of \$16.33 per hour, with no benefits. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 242 APPROVE CHANGE TO YEAR END MEETING

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe that the town board resolves to approve to change the Year End Meeting from Thursday December 26th to Monday December 30th, due to conflict with board members. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0

APPROVED

NO. 243 MEDICAL INSURANCE PROPOSAL—RETIREMENT COVERAGE

MOTION made by Councilman Testa that the town board resolves to approve a change to the retirement health insurance coverage, attached and read. Second by Councilman Wallace. **SECOND WITHDRAWN**
Upon discussion, board members felt that the resolution needed more clarification and legal counsel. Councilman Wallace withdrew his second. **TABLED**

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. 7:15 PM

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor. 7:25 PM

MOTION made by Supervisor Asnoe to adjourn. Second by Councilman Wallace. Upon roll call; All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Georgina Bellino, Town Clerk

NEXT MEETING: Monday, December 30th at 6:00 PM.