

Town of Tully
December 12, 2018

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF TULLY
TOWN HALL
5833 MEETING HOUSE RD TULLY NY

Members Present: Supervisor William A. Lund, Jr.
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor John Masters
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor John Snavlin

Others present: Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Parks & Rec Board Member Gary Heymann, Highway Superintendent John Herold, Assessor Cristine DeFuoco, Fire Commissioners Gary Malone & Ed Wortley and residents Dan & Larrian Johnston

7:30 pm Supervisor Lund called meeting to order and led in Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 7TH & 14TH MEETINGS.

Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOUCHERS. Motion by Councilor Masters. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Financial Report

Tom Chartrand reported on receipts and disbursements for the month, in particular, NYCLASS interest which was \$258.73; court fines which are down \$11,000 year-to-date. Town Justice Gary Malone was present this evening and advised that troopers are being sent downstate so there are less tickets being written for both Tully and Lafayette. Brief discussion followed. Lastly, Tom advised that the ambulance is up about \$21,000 on overtime to what was budgeted. Brief discussion.

RESOLUTION 71-2018

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Masters. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

RESOLUTION 72-2018

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUPERVISOR MAKING ANY NECESSARY END-OF-THE-YEAR LINE ITEM TRANSFERS. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

RESOLUTION 73-2018

MOTION TO SCHEDULE THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR JANUARY 9, 2019 AT 7:00PM WITH THE REGULAR MEETING TO FOLLOW. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Masters. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Parks & Recreation

In the absence of Ryan Dando, the Parks & Rec report was given by board member Gary Heymann as follows:

- Basketball is well underway; 1st and 2nd grades are scheduled to start January 5th
- We'll be running a youth soccer clinic on Saturday nights for all ages; it will be in the high school gym, and Bill Donald will be running it
- We're also thinking of bringing back the open high school gym concept
- We're also working on design of signage for the park land; and replacement of the wooden benches with a composite material
- The Moo Run is going to be June 8th this year
- The opening of Green Lake is set for June 28th & 29th which is late because the kids are in school a week later than usual; and what we would most likely do is open the lake for just the weekend before those dates; otherwise, it's a very short season.

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Highway

John Herold reported that things are going well. Last month, the crew was out 23 times plowing/sanding. This month, it's just been 8 times so far. They've had a few repairs on equipment. John also advised the board that the beavers are back, and the dock at Green Lake is almost under water. Brief discussion followed as to what had been done in the past and what could be done now to rectify the situation.

John also mentioned that there had been a few complaints regarding the new garbage cans and also wanted the public reminded to take in their garbage cans and not leave them up by the road. Brief discussion followed.

Ambulance

No report.

Fire

Ed Wortley reported that he had been elected to another five-year term as a fire commissioner.

Gary Malone spoke to the board in his capacity as a fire commissioner and asked that they, the fire commissioners, be informed as to any litigation that may result in tax consequences for the town and for the fire district, and projected dollar amounts, win or lose. Gary stated that they "run a tight ship" and try to stay under the 2% tax cap. "So if there's better communication between us, and we know what's coming, we can budget for it." Brief discussion followed.

Assessor

Kris reminded everyone that exemptions are due by March 1st. She will be meeting with the State beginning of the year to go over sales and assessments for the town. And they will be discussing the need to maintain 100% for next year. So, Kris stated, "we'll see what needs to be done to accomplish that."

Open positions

RESOLUTION 74-2018

MOTION TO APPROVE TOM CANTWELL FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM ON THE ZBA, WILLIAM MARINICH FOR A SEVEN-YEAR TERM ON THE PLANNING BOARD, AND ERIC NASH FOR A SEVEN-YEAR TERM ON THE PARKS & REC BOARD. Motion by Councilor Masters. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays.

Supervisor Lund reported that John Consler will be resigning from the grievance board so that position will be advertised in the Tully News.

Floor

Next, Dan Johnston spoke about the beaver problem. He's part of the Tully Lake association and advised the board that they had hired a professional trapper in the past, but did not do it last year because it's a sensitive issue for some residents on the lake. Brief discussion ensued.

Next, there was a discussion regarding the letter written by Larrian of the Tully Action Group (T.A.G.) in response to a letter written by a resident asking that a flagpole be placed at Cornerstone Park, and particularly, whether letters to the editor should be included in the Tully newspaper. Brief discussion followed.

There was also a brief discussion on our trash collector changing some of the Tully routes from Tuesday to Friday. Tom Chartrand explained that it was a question of balancing out the days since some were 14-hour days for the employees collecting the trash. Brief discussion.

Legal

No report this evening.

Councilor Speziale asked about Verizon and expanding the broadband, but there's been no further discussion. Frank also asked about the status of the comprehensive plan, but since our town attorney was not present this evening, that was tabled for now.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:00PM. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Lund, Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman) 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro, Town Clerk