

Town of Tully
March 10, 2021

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

Members Present: Supervisor John Masters
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor John Snavlin
Councilor Catherine Goodwin

Town Clerk Susan Vaccaro

Others present: Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Town Attorney Robert S. DeMore, Highway Superintendent John Herold, Parks & Rec Director Ryan Dando, Fire Captain Chad Wakula, Fire Commissioner Ed Wortley, Jr.

RESOLUTION 24-2021

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 10TH MEETING AND THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 25TH MEETING. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nays.

RESOLUTION 25-2021

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

Financial Report

Tom Chartrand outlined the monthly statement of supervisor for February including the items below:

- In the general fund, the remainder of the taxes were paid
- The special ambulance fund is in great shape
- Disbursements were reviewed; nothing out of the ordinary

RESOLUTION 26-2021

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 nays.

Next, Tom referred to a transfer sheet which is included below:

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To: Town Board

From: Tom Chartrand

Re: Budget Transfers

GENERAL	Town wide		
From:			
A599	Surplus	JCAP Grant	\$1,220.00
		Total	<u>\$1,220.00</u>
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To:			
A1110.2	Justices	Equipment	\$1,220.00
		Total	<u>\$1,220.00</u>
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RESOLUTION 27-2021

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

Continuing with the financial report, Mr. Chartrand addressed **The American Rescue Plan**, a plan developed by Chuck Schumer, United States Senator for New York, which includes fiscal relief for state and local governments affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency. Brief discussion ensued.

Highway

John Herold reported on the following highway activities:

- Earth Day this year, activities will be on Friday, April 23rd and Saturday, April 24th
- Town Cleanup Day is May 8th from 9am to 3pm
- John also gave a brief update on the Town bridge in the village and advised that he is working with the engineer from Barton & Loguidice on applying for grant monies

Ambulance

Fire Captain Chad Wakula reported on the following ambulance activities:

1. Number of EMS calls for February was 48.
2. Fabius and Pompey fire districts have all sent payments for service.
3. The Power load devices are scheduled to be delivered on 3/11/21. We will be coordinating with Northeastern Rescue vehicles and Stryker for the stretcher upgrades and device installation in the ambulances as they need to be done at the same time. After the first ambulance is finished, Stryker will be providing training for all EMS personnel prior to the second ambulance being done.
4. County has approved funding to purchase the Sierra wireless modems for all EMS and fire departments. They will be equipped with either AT&T or Verizon Wireless data cards. This will allow continuous MDT connectivity with 911 center.
5. Currently, all but one of the career staff has been fully vaccinated for Covid-19, and most of the volunteer personnel have received their vaccinations.

Parks & Recreation

Ryan Dando reported on the following activities:

- Registration for baseball & softball
- We are meeting Monday with the Apple Valley League
- All of the above activities are planned to start in April
- We are posting for Gary Heymann's chairperson position

Supervisor Masters mentioned that the group Partners in Motion solicited donations for Cornerstone Park. However, they are not covered by our insurance policy, though seemed to think they were. Mr. Dando advised that parks and rec does support the group by donating \$1000 for Music in the Park. Mr. Masters asked the board members if they wanted to add this group to our insurance policy. The board was in agreement that they do not want to pay for this insurance.

Fire

No report.

Floor

No comments from the floor this evening.

Agenda Item No. 8 – Justice Court Audit

Councilor Goodwin: "Let the record show that the Town Board appointed the committee of Frank Speziale and Cathy Goodwin to conduct an audit of the tax collector 2020 records in accordance with Town Law Section 123. The tax collector financial records were in good order, and only minor procedural discrepancies were noted. The committee provided a copy of the audit and findings to the town supervisor and each town board member."

Councilor Goodwin asked if there were any questions regarding the audit. There were no questions at this time from the board or the floor.

RESOLUTION 28-2021

MOTION THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE RESPONSE TO THE JUSTICE COURT AUDIT. Motion by Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 naves.

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Supervisor Masters discussed plans for other required audits. The tax collector's records and the supervisor's records have already been audited. So just the town clerk's records are left to be done. Brief discussion followed after which Mr. Masters asked if all board members agreed that the tax collector must provide payments to the supervisor every week. Mr. Chartrand advised that he would recommend that be done.

Legal

There was discussion involving purchase of the fire department computer that Capt. Wakula uses so that it would be covered under the town's cybersecurity policy.

RESOLUTION 29-2021

MOTION ALLOWING THE AMBULANCE DISTRICT TO PURCHASE CAPT. CHAD WAKULA'S COMPUTER FOR \$1 FROM THE FIRE DISTRICT. Motion by Councilor Goodwin. Second by Supervisor Masters. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 naves.

Supervisor Masters discussed having Mr. Chartrand become an employee of the town and what his title would be. Based on Civil Service Law, Section 22, his position would be bookkeeper to the town supervisor.

RESOLUTION 30-2021

MOTION TO APPOINT TOM CHARTRAND AS BOOKKEEPER TO THE TOWN SUPERVISOR RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2021. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 naves.

RESOLUTION 31-2021

MOTION TO ADOPT THE PUBLIC EMPLOYER HEALTH EMERGENCY PLAN. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 naves.

Mr. DeMore advised the town clerk that the Public Employer Health Emergency Plan should be posted on a bulletin board in the town hall.

There was continuing discussion on establishing the water district on Route 11A, then tabled for now.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 8:15PM. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Goodwin. Motion carried 5 ayes (Masters, Speziale, Snavlin, Chapman, Goodwin) 0 naves.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro, Town Clerk