

Town Board Minutes
January 13, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Torrey Town Board was held on January 13, 2015 at 56 Geneva St and called to order by Supervisor Flynn at 7:32PM.

Present: Patrick H. Flynn, Burge W. Morris, Colby J. Petersen, Linda K. Francisco

Others present: John H. Martini Mary Lilyea-Assessor, Pete & Donnie Griner, Tom & Jake Eskildsen, George Thompson, Dwight James- Code Officer, District Legislator Tim Dennis,Linda Lefko,Jeremy Delyser-Clark Patterson Lee PE , Tim Hansen, Tim Chambers, Charlie Leach, Bill Hall

Mr. Flynn led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Flynn presented the abstracts of vouchers for audit.

Motion by Mr. Morris 2nd Mrs. Francisco that the bills on the General A & B funds in the amount of \$ 20,365.09 be paid, carried.

Motion by Mrs. Francisco, 2nd Mr. Morris that the bills on the Highway DA & DB funds in the amount of \$ 34,733.18 to be paid,carried.

Jeremy DeLyser of Clark Patterson Lee Engineers appeared before the board with a proposal for engineering services related to Map Plan and Report for a new water district. Presently they are providing engineering services for the Town of Benton new water district. Resident George Thompson requested permission from the town board in 2014 and has been actively researching a water project and pursuing the process of a water district in his neighborhood of Serenity Rd.

Roads to be mapped are Route 14 North to , Anthony Road, Anthony Beach, Arrowhead Beach, David Downey, Davy, Rock Haven, Serenity, Serenity Beach, Albany, Boston, Caton, Elmira, Flint, Geneva, Houston.

The water distribution system would be planned to be connected to the proposed Town of Benton Water District 1 with the potential connections to the Villages of Penn Yan and Dresden.

Tim Hansen inquired as to why only the North of Torrey is being mapped.

Councilman Gerald Schichtel (2006-2009) did the research and initiated a map plan review for Anthony , Arrowhead and Perry Point Roads but due to lack of interest, funding and feasibility the project stalled.

Mr. Delyser stated that Geneva has only 40,000 gallons per day water supply capacity available, Villages of Dresden and Penn Yan would have to be contacted for their available supply.

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2nd Mr. Morris, authorizing the Supervisor to sign a contract for Preliminary engineering services for \$ 2500. Carried. 4 Ayes 0 nays

Mr. Flynn presented the contract for Watershed coverage with the Yates County Soil & Water for the year 2015 in the amount of \$ 11,400. Motion by Mr. Morris 2nd Mrs. Francisco authorizing the Supervisor to sign this contract carried 4 Aye 0 Nays

Motion Mr. Petersen 2nd Mrs. Francisco authorizing the Supervisor to sign excavation permit with NYSEG for digging on Town right of carried 4 Aye 0 Nays

Due to end of year filing the Solar Law 7-14, it was returned and must be filed as 2015 Law. Motion to amend and correct the Local Law filing number from 7-14 to 1-15 carried Flynn Aye, Francisco Aye, Petersen Aye Morris Aye 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Discussion on how land assessments affect the special district tax. Currently, farmers are paying fire tax on their *vacant* land at the market value. With farm land values increasing at such a fast rate, it has been proposed that the “ceiling value” or the value of the crops being produced on that land should be used for taxation purposes instead of market value. Before the board is a resolution to tax vacant farm land at the production value. All homes, barns and any other improvements will continue to be taxed as they have been.

Mr. Flynn presented the following appointments for 2015

- ❖ Any Town Official /employee, board members to attend training sponsored by the Association of Towns and or educational trainings during the year, at the Towns expense.
- ❖ Finger Lakes Times, Chronicle Express as official newspaper
- ❖ 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM Town Board Meeting dates
- ❖ Five Star Bank , official bank of Deposit for Town Clerk, DECALS accounts
- ❖ Community Bank NA official bank of Deposit for Consolidated Health District and Tax Collector
- ❖ Community Bank NA, Lyons National -official banks of deposit for General A & B, Highway DA & DB, Watershed, Fire Protection and Trust & Agency
- ❖ Setting mileage reimbursement for .56 per mile.
- ❖ Deputy Supervisor- John Martini \$ 490./year
- ❖ Deputy Highway Supt. David Bond \$ 2000./year
- ❖ Deputy Town Clerk Helga Poreda/ Virginia Dunning \$ 11./hr
- ❖ Supervisors Bookkeeper- Betty Daggett \$ 15./hr
- ❖ Justice Data Entry Clerk – Michael Mashewske 10./hr (20 Hr max per month)
- ❖ Town Attorney – 150./hr
- ❖ Make necessary Inter fund transfers of money on overdrawn accounts for General or Highway Funds

- ❖ Highway HEO Fulltime – \$17.64/hr with medical benefits and OT
- ❖ Highway Plow P/T \$ 18./hr, No benefits
- ❖ Highway Laborer part time - \$ 10./hr no benefits or overtime
- ❖ Lifeguards/ Rec. Leaders- \$ 9.75 /hr no benefits
- ❖ Beach/ Rec. aides- \$ 8.75/hr no benefits
- ❖ Zoning Board Chair - \$ 150./year
- ❖ ZBA Sec. \$ 150./year
- ❖ ZBA member - \$ 100./year
- ❖ Planning Board Chair- \$ 150./year
- ❖ PB Sec. \$ 150./year
- ❖ PB members \$ 100./year
- ❖ Historian \$ 150./year
- ❖ Board of Review (Assessment Grievance) \$ 50./ year \$ 10./hr
- ❖ Code Officer - Dwight James \$ 15,300 / year

Motion by Mrs. Francisco 2nd Mr. Morris to approve the appointments, carried.

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2nd Mr. Morris to approve minutes of December, carried.

Code Officer Dwight James gave his monthly report. 2 Certificates of Compliance issued, with the following inspections, 2 Violations , 11 building progress, 1 Fire, 3 building permits, 4 meetings, 148 miles traveled. Will be on vacation next week and Jason Hoover, Code Officer for Benton will be covering.

Dresden Mayor Bill Hall reported they are working on an inter-municipal agreement regarding watershed coverage. Village Trustees had concerns and it was tabled. Presently in the Town's Wastewater Law the Village is not covered for inspections. The Town contracts with YCS&W.

Motion to move into executive session at 8:22 by Mr. Petersen 2nd Mrs. Francisco for a personnel issue carried.

Motion to move out of executive session at 8:50PM

Motion by Mr. Flynn 2nd Mr. Morris to appoint Tim Chambers as interim Highway Superintendent for 90 days, after this time his employment will be reviewed, carried. Clerk is directed to send letters notifying of this appointment to Mr. Chambers and other two interested applicants. Mr. Chambers will be encouraged to obtain a CDL license, which will enable him operate all Town equipment.

There being no further business before the board Mr. Flynn made a motion to adjourn 2nd Mr. Morris, carried at 8:50PM

Respectfully submitted,