

10/11/22 TOWN OF STOCKTON TOWN BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Supervisor David Wilson, Board members: John Beichner, Hannah Abram and Bryan Meder, Highway Superintendent Aaron Burnett and Budget Officer Allen Chase via skype.

ABSENT: Stan Zembryski

VISITORS: County Legislator John Penhollow, Town Historian John Sips, Library Board members: Don and Stephanie Banaszak and Kathy George.

Supervisor Wilson opened the meeting with the Pledge.

The Board reviewed minutes from 9/13/22. A motion to approve the minutes was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram. Beichner – aye, Abram – aye and Meder – aye. Motion carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

County Legislator John Penhollow gave an update on what the County is working on and reminded of the of Elections in November.

Library board member Don Banaszak informed the Board the solar panels are up and running. He asked that the Town Board pay the library electric usage provided by the solar panels.

Supervisor Wilson said after 6 months of using the solar come back and see the changes and discuss it at that time.

John Beichner said he appreciates all the work that has been done on the solar project.

Library Lease

The Town signed a 3 year lease with the Library as per the original contract signed in 2018 with a \$24.00 per month increase for rent. The Library Board would like to review it in 6 months.

FINANCE REPORT

The following checks were received:

Clerk's fees \$343.00

Justice fees \$4,575.00

The Board reviewed the 2023 preliminary budget with a decrease in village and town.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Highway Superintendent Aaron Burnett said they have been working on shoulder work and installing pipes on James Road.

John Beichner asked Mr. Burnett if there had been any inquiries to fill Ryan Howards place.

The Town will advertise for a MEO in the paper.

OLD BUSINESS

2023 Preliminary Budget

A motion to accept the 2023 Preliminary Budget was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram – aye, Beichner – aye and Meder – aye. Motion carried.

A motion to hold a public hearing on November 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to adopt the 2023 Budget was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram. Beichner – aye, Abram – aye and Meder – aye. Motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS

Health Insurance

A motion to accept Independent Health was made by John Beichner and seconded by Bryan Meder. Beichner – aye, Meder – aye and Abram – aye. Motion carried.

Life Insurance

A motion to accept Principal Life Insurance for Group Term Life at a \$50,000.00 benefit per highway employee was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram – aye, Beichner – aye and meder – aye. Motion carried.

Town Attorney

Supervisor Wilson said he received a letter of retirement from the Town's attorney Jeff Passafaro stating he is winding down his law practice in 2023 and is reducing the number of municipalities he represents.

Supervisor Wilson said he will meet with other Attorney's doing municipal work to discuss the position.

ABSTRACT 10

GENERAL FUNDS

General Town Wide Claims	184-200
General outside Village Claims	13
Street Light Claims	9

AUDITS

\$4,918.50
\$250.00
\$522.17

HIGHWAY FUNDS

Highway Town Wide Claims	62-68
Highway Outside village Claims	30-33

\$2,042.40
\$8,408.10

A motion to pay bills was made by Bryan Meder and seconded by John Beichner. Meder – aye, Beichner = aye and Abram – aye. Motion carried.

There will be a Budget Hearing November 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stockton Townhall.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram. Beichner – aye, Abram – aye and Meder – aye. Motion carried.

Kathryn Palmer

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