Town of Stockton Minutes :

11-6-23 STOCKTON TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARING 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Supervisor Wilson. Board Members Hannah Abram, John Beichner, and Budget Officer Allen Chase. Highway Superintendent Aaron Burnett

ABSENT: Bryan Meder, Stan Zembryski VISITORS: Town Historian John Sipos

The board reviewed the minutes from 10-10-23. A motion to approve was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: opened for comments on the Town of Stockton 2024 Budget. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

11-6-23 STOCKTON TOWN BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Town Historian John Sipos gave a talk on election day and why it's the first Tuesday after the first Monday.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Aaron reported that the shoulders are installed on all the newly blacktop roads. Motion by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram to post the roads. Beichner-aye, Abram-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Town Justice \$4390.00

Town Clerk \$ 211.00

Allen announced that with the last sales tax check was \$109,530.06, it was real close to what was budgeted.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Wilson said there were no public comments on the 2024 budget. Hannah Abram made a motion to approve the 2024 Stockton Town Budget, seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

A motion to pay the bills was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram. Beichner-aye, Abram-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be December 5, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Stockton Town Hall. The year end meeting will be December 28,2023.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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10/10/23 STOCKTON TOWN BOARD HEARING 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Supervisor David Wilson, Board Members: Hannah Abram, John Beichner, Budget Officer Allen Chase, Highway superintendent Aaron Burnett

ABSENT: Bryan Meder, Stan Zembryski

VISISTORS: Olivia Lee, Town Historian John Sipos

Opened public Hearing at 7:00 pm for Local Law #2 of 2023 entitled "A LOCAL LAW ENACTING A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 466-a OF THE REALPROPERTY TAX LAW' There were no comments from the public.

10/10/23 STOCKTON TOWN BOARD MEETING

The board reviewed the minutes from 9/12/23. Motion to approve was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-Aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Town Historian John Sipos gave Talk on the Pledge of Allegiance which was first published in Sept. 8, 1892. (Included with minutes)

HIGHWAY REPORT: Aaron reported the they blacktopped 3/10 mile on James Rd., 6/10 mile on Dean Rd., and 5/10 mile on Meadows Rd. They are now working on shoulders on Dean Road. Aaron has made application to National Fuel Gas to run a gas line to the new highway building.

FINANCE REPORT

The following checks were received:

\$3,906.67 Town Justice

Town Clerk \$352.00

A motion to transfer \$500.00 from 1990.4 to 1910.4 and \$500.00 fromDA9060.8 to 9044.8 was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-aye. Budget Officer Allen Chase went over the 2024 Preliminary Budget with the board. Motion to approve the Preliminary Budget was made by John Beichner and seconded on Hannah Abram. Beichner-aye, Abram-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

The Budget workshop is scheduled for October 17 at 6:00 pm. Budget vote will be November 6, at 7:00 pm

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner to pass Local Law #2 of 2023. Abram-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

A motion to pay the bills was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram.

Beichner-aye, Abram-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be November 6, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Stockton Town Hall.

A motion to adjourn was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-aue, Wilson-aye. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted

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

ABSENT: Bryan Meder, Stan Zembryski

VISISTORS: Town Historian John Sipos, County Legislator John Penhollow

The board reviewed the minutes from 8/8/23. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Hannah Abram and seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-aye

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Town Historian John Sipos gave the Supervisor a framed picture of the town's new dump truck that was in the paper on August 12 for his wall of fame.

County Legislator John Penhollow mentioned that the county has started work on the 2024 County Budget. **HIGHWAY REPORT**

Aaron is working on bid specs for the electric, ceiling and insulation for the new highway building. The concrete floors still need to be sealed. He has to meet with National Fuel Gas to get gas run to the new building. As for road work, they are replacing pipes on Dean Road, and doing some ditching and brush cutting in the town

FINANCIAL REPORT

The following checks were received:

Town Justice	\$3,408.00
Town Clerk	\$ 761.00

A motion to transfer \$1,730.62 from A1990.4 to A1910.4 and \$50.00 from DB 9060.8 to DB 9044.8 was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram. Beichner-aye, Abram-aye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

Budget Officer Allen Chase submitted the preliminary tentative budget for 2024. He is waiting for some preliminary dollar amounts to complete the new highway barn. No financial amounts have been figured in for capital projects until we know what can be completed this year. The town board agreed that we would like to keep the taxes steady rather than a large decrease and then if something happens, be stuck with a considerable increase.

NEW BUSINESS

A letter was received from Brette Hindman, Library director. The Mary Seymour library would like to collaborate with the Roger Tory Peterson to make an information/graphics display with the focus on birds of prey for the town park, across from the hotel. The displays would be staged with the consideration for the present grounds set-up and not disrupt the current maintenance work. It would all be dependent on grant funding. After much discussion, and not to exceed 3 months, Hannah Abram made to motion to approve, seconded by John Beichner. Abram-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-eye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Wilson presented a Local Law Enacting Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters Pursuant to Section 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law. Motion was made by Hannah Abram, seconded by John Beichner to hold a public hearing on October 10 at 7 pm. Abran-aye, Beichner-aye, Wilson-aye, motion carried.

A motion to pay the bills was made by John Beichner and seconded by Hannah Abram. Abram-aye, Beichneraye, Wilson-aye. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be October 10, 2023 at 7;00 PM AT THE Stockton Town Hall.

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

Respectfully submitted

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