

December 18, 2019

REGULAR MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Martinsburg Town Board was held Wednesday, December 18, 2019 and called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were: Supervisor Terrence Thisse; Councilman Brad Allen, Janusz Karelus, Douglas Dietrich and Michael McGrath; Highway Superintendent Tyler Jones; CTHC circuit rider Beth Steria; Gordon Yancey; Darren Jantzi; County Legislator Greg Kulzer; Pat Dietrich; Matt Cooper, Anthony Young and Brett McVoy from Barton and Loguidice. Absent: Attorney Joseph Russell.

MINUTES

Minutes were emailed to board members before the meeting. Councilman Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen approving the minutes of the last meeting as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

BILLS Abstract 12-2019

General:	Voucher #299-317	\$12,796.73
Highway:	Voucher #199-213	\$ 9,426.96
Glenfield Water:	Voucher #87-93	\$34,475.31
Glenfield Sewer:	Voucher #56-60	\$ 4,704.28
Martinsburg Water #1:	Voucher #63-69	\$ 1,850.10
Street Lighting:	Voucher #23-24	\$ 877.62
Whitaker Park:	Voucher #74	\$ 1,616.60

After some discussion, Councilman Karelus made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to approve payment of the bills as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Gordon Yancey suggested that larger signs should be in place to warn snowmobilers about "plowed road ahead" in the wind tower area.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Councilman McGrath made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus accepting the Town Clerk Report for November showing a total State and Local revenue of \$6,523.24. All were in favor. Motion carried.

COOPERATIVE TUG HILL COUNCIL

Ms. Steria reported on training workshops. JCC conference is March 26. She reported on the Tug Hill resident survey results and reported that census workers are needed.

LEGISLATOR REPORT

Mr. Kulzer stated that the County is working on a proposed ATV event permit which should be ready by February.

HIGHWAY

Mr. Jones reported that Roaring Brook Wind developers are working on the hill roads.

7:15 PM Legislator Larry Dolhoff arrived.

Mr. Jones reported he has received a quote of \$2573.00 from Hyde Stone to repair the air exchange in municipal building. After the last incident in the building, it was discovered that a valve was not turned back on after being repaired.

7:20 PM Phil Street arrived.

Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman McGrath authorizing the signing of a Snow and Ice Removal Contract with Lewis County. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman McGrath made a motion, seconded by Councilmen Allen to go into executive session at 7:20 PM to discuss negotiations. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to leave executive session at 7:55 PM and return to regular meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

GLENFIELD WATER

Mr. McVoy gave an update on the Glenfield Water Improvement Project. A progress meeting was held today and the minutes of the meeting will go out later.

Councilman Dietrich mentioned what a great job the engineers are going on the project.

GLENFIELD SEWER

An update was also given on the Glenfield Sewer infiltration project.

Phil Street from the Tug Hill Commission was present to give a presentation on minimum maintenance roads. Things he touched on were:

- Zoning to protect roads
- Seasonal use zoning
- Curb cut permit (driveway)

Supervisor suggested meeting with the Planning Board about revising the town Development Law to address these issues.

MARTINSBURG WATER #1

Discussion was held on obtaining a quote to replace the water line on East Road Extension.

AMBULANCE CONTRACT

Councilman Dietrich made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen authorizing the Supervisor sign the ambulance contract with Lewis County Search and Rescue. All were in favor. Motion carried.

LED STREET LIGHTING

Supervisor Thisse gave an update on the LED Street Lighting Project. He stated that he signed a contract with Constellation to be our electricity provider. The contract is for 24 months.

INVESTMENTS

Supervisor Thisse gave an update on short term investments and stated that he is staying with investing in treasury bills.

PROCLAMATION

The Town Board of Martinsburg would like to recognize Councilman Douglas Dietrich :

“For your 23 years of dedicated service as Councilman for the Town of Martinsburg”

(1997-2019)

Councilman Dietrich also has served on the Tug Hill Commission since 2002. Thank you Mr. Dietrich for serving the public all these years.

Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus to adjourn at 8:40 PM. All were in favor. Motion carried. A reception honoring Mr. Dietrich was held after the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kelley, Town Clerk