

June 20, 2018

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Martinsburg Town Board was held Wednesday, June 20, 2018 and called to order at 7:10 PM. Present were: Deputy Supervisor Douglas Dietrich; Councilmen Janusz Karelus, Brad Allen and Michael McGrath; Attorney Joseph Russell; Town Clerk Mary Kelley; Judy Colton, Voluntary Transportation Center; Mickey Lehman and McKenzie Lyndaker from Bernier & Carr; Matt Cooper and Anthony Young from Barton and Loguidice; Gordon Yancey; Angie Kimball, CTHC; Absent: Supervisor Terrence Thisse and Highway Superintendent Tyler Jones.

MINUTES

Councilman Karelus made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

BILLS – Abstract 6-2018

General:	Voucher #139-165	\$ 9,004.57
Highway:	Voucher #97-116	\$ 79,090.02
Glenfield Water:	Voucher #34-43	\$ 2,291.42
Glenfield Sewer:	Voucher #17-20	\$ 266.78
Martinsburg Water #1:	Voucher #29-35	\$ 1,811.76
Street Lighting:	Voucher #11-12	\$ 822.74
Whitaker Park:	Voucher #19-30	\$ 1,595.94

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

7:15 Public Hearing to hear comments on the possibility of the Town of Martinsburg filing Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) for the 2018 program year. There being no comments at this time, Deputy Supervisor held the hearing open and continued on with the regular meeting.

Mickey Lehman discussed the proposed water project in Glenfield – project overview, project scope, income survey results (which were favorable for funding); potential funding and water rates.

7:15 PM - Attorney Russell arrived.

7:20 PM – Councilman Michael McGrath arrived.

As there were no comments on the Public Hearing regarding CDBG funding, Deputy Supervisor Dietrich closed the hearing at 7:30 PM and continued on with the regular meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – no comments.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Karelus to accept the Town Clerks Report for May as presented. All were in favor. Motion carried.

COOPERATIVE TUG HILL COUNCIL

Ms. Kimball reported on various training workshops/webinars that are available.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT – Mr. Kulzer was absent.

HIGHWAY

Discussion was held on ATV Poker Runs that will be held by Timber View and Highmarket in August.

Rodney Clintsman has asked if can cut trees surrounding the cropland he rents from the Town that is in the Martinsburg Water District on the Fykes Road. Councilman McGrath made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen that he is allowed to cut the tall trees, leaving anything 6" in diameter and smaller. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Lewis County has excess radio equipment if the highway department is interested in it. The board decided to leave it up to Highway Superintendent Jones on whether or not he could use this equipment.

Judy Colton was present to thank the board for their contribution to the Volunteer Transportation Center each year and to give a presentation on what the center does. They assist community members in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence County. It is a non-profit organization that provides rides to non-emergency health care appointments, food sources, and other health related destinations. The drivers are all volunteer.

GLENFIELD WATER

Three G Volunteer Fire Department would not ask for any compensation for the town using their well at the field day grounds. The town would be responsible for paying the electric bill.

BOCES will allow use of their well. Would need an intermunicipal agreement. Work would need to be done on the infrastructure.

GLENFIELD SEWER

Mr. Cooper and Mr. Young thanked the town for accepting their proposal to do a flow management plan. Funding for the work needed to be done was discussed and also in-kind work by the highway department.

Discussion was held on the need for a certified operator that will be required next year for the Glenfield Sewer District. Names of certified operators we could possibly ask are Mark Tabolt, Josh Marmon and Colin Fayle.

MATINSBURG WATER #1

Discussion was held on the sale to the Gohlert farm to Marks Farms and the proposed expansion at the farm. Marks Farms would be responsible for putting in a bigger water line if required.

PLAYGROUND

Discussion was held on the gap in the fence at the back of the playground area. The fence does not go completely to the tennis court. Clerk is to find out who put the fence up originally and get an estimate to have the fence in place to the tennis court. Councilman Karelus made a motion, seconded by Councilman McGrath to hire someone to finish installing fence on the back side of the playground. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Dietrich got an estimate of \$2400 to purchase sides/back for the bleachers at the playground. It was discussed that maybe a local person could fabricate what is needed. Councilman Dietrich will get estimates from local machine shops.

WHITAKER PARK

The park superintendent has requested changing tables in the bathhouses at the park. Attorney Russell will see if there is a law stating that they are required.

The park superintendent had requested having Whitaker Park shirts, hats, etc. made to sell at the park. Councilman McGrath made a motion, seconded by Councilman Allen to not allow the sale of clothing at the park. The Town is not allowed to make a profit by such sales. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Deputy Supervisor Dietrich gave an update on a Council of Government (COG) meeting he attended recently. Windmills were a contentious subject at the meeting and he felt the Town Board of Martinsburg was downgraded for having them.

Attorney Russell was asked about creating a water district and do we have to if requested. He said no. In this circumstance where one person requested a water district, it would be cost prohibitive. There would not be enough users to justify forming a district. Would need signatures of 51% of assessed value in proposed district.

There being no further business, Councilman Karelus made a motion, seconded by Councilman McGrath to adjourn at 8:25 PM. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kelley, Town Clerk