# **Town of Lincklaen Monthly Board Mee**

Tuesday June 20, 2023 **Town Hall - 7:00 PM** 

**Members Present** 

**Others Present** Jim Merchant

Absent

Supervisor Sharon Monro Councilman Harold Baritell

Councilman Patrick Holl

Councilman Barry Monro

Councilman Wayne Outwater

Town Clerk Diana Kilfeather

The regular monthly meeting of the Lincklaen Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Sharon Monro at 7:02 pm.

Guest: Jim Merchant Was asked by the board to see if the ATV /UTV Club would be willing to pay for all or part of the signs we ordered for our roads with AVT-UTV road usage. He will present it at their next meeting and let us know. He also asked for a copy of our Resolution regarding ATV/ UTV usage on our roads and he was told that it is located on the Town of Lincklaen website.

#### **Letters Received:**

- 1. Chenango County Treasurer's Office Re: General Fund Cash Flow at 5/31/23.
- 2. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chenango County Letter thanking us for our \$100.00 donation to go towards the 4H County Fair.
- 3. Diana Kilfeather Letter asking for update on Millers Corners Road and what work will be done this year.

### **Appointments** – None

## Minutes from May 16, 2023, meeting

• The motion was made by Councilman Wayne Outwater, seconded by Councilman Barry Monro to approve the 5/16/23 meeting minutes with one change (in Highway report regarding permit to remove beavers. It said DOT permit but should have read DEC permit.) All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **Profit & Loss and Budget Reports**

Motion was made by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman Patrick Holl to approve the May 2023 Financials. All in favor. Motion carried. Councilman Wayne Outwater had question regarding the equipment budget and what we were using it for this year. Highway Superintendent Roy Marshall said that a skid steer and a new pickup truck to fit all the crew in, would be things we need next.

## **Highway Superintendent Report Roy Marshall**

- Regarding Diana Kilfeather letter we are currently adding limestone crusher run to Millers Corners Road, we will get ditches cleaned and cut back brush and trees to get more sun on the road.
- Roy had discussion with Barry Monro regarding Lincklaen town roads His thoughts that it is hard enough to maintain the paved roads we have. That we should keep the dirt roads, dirt.
- Chips money only allows us to re oil and stone every 10 years.
- 170 Tons of crusher run has been ordered.
- Grader has been serviced.
- Truck #6 replace transmission cover, rearend cover
- Helped Pharsalia pave.
- Truck 4 tires rotated and fixed.

- Breaking down all the tires on Truck 4, clean them up and rotate.
- The mower is on the Tractor.
- Started grading on Millers Corners Road.
- One employee has quit, since he took over, so they are looking for another employee.
- Discussion about raising the pay rate so that we can keep employees. Discussion about not offering health insurance and taking that money and putting it into the budget to increase the pay. The current employees do not take our health insurance. Roy Marshall is doing comparisons with local towns to see what everyone is paying and whether they offer health insurance or not. Councilman Wayne Outwater asked the Financial Office Sharon Monro to work up the budget for next month's meeting before deciding on raising pay and/or to offer health insurance or not. All workers need to know how to drive all equipment, before reaching top pay.
- Councilman Wayne Outwater suggested we set pay rates for part time workers and laborers also.
- Councilman Wayne Outwater made a motion to sign Mowing Contract with the County once we hire another worker, seconded by Councilman Harold Baritell. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **Clerk Report**

- Finished binders for the break room for Highway Department, with all Highway policies, rules and help information for alcohol and drug abuse. This way the employees have a reference readily available to them should they have any questions.
- I contacted Travis Hull to cancel the AT&T phone account we had for the Highway department, since it was set up under his name and social security number, AT&T would not let me cancel it. I sent over copies of the bill, account number, phone number and all the information he needed to cancel. Highway department phone is now with Red Pocket.
- Property taxes collected to date are \$474,772.36.
- May taxes were closed out and paid to Chenango County. All tax files were turned back into Chenango County.
- I may have to resign my position with the town due to family obligations going forward. I should know more in a couple of weeks.

### Solvent Saver - None

<u>Cemetery</u> -. We have a large tree down in the Lincklaen Center cemetery and a small tree down in the Rhode Island cemetery. Councilman Wayne Outwater will see if he can take care of the small tree in Rhode Island. A loader will be needed to remove the larger tree. We have received the bill from Shane Foster for mowing the cemeteries to date.

#### **RLF Report**

1 Current 1 in arrears

#### **Old Business**

- COVID Funds (SLFRF): Barry Monro will prepare a pad for the generator at the Town Hall.
- No news regarding unemployment dispute.

## **New Business**

- Diana Kilfeather will reach out to see if surrounding towns run the same trip and if we can join them.
- Point broadband will be coming to change our 5 landlines over from Frontier, this should be a \$200 savings Office calls for the Town Supervisor and the Highway Superintendent will now be forwarded to their cell phones so no calls will be missed.

• Postponing the townwide yard sale until next year but we will still be holding the White goods & Tire Day, Saturday August 27<sup>th</sup>.

# **Motion to Pay Bills**

• The monthly bills were audited by the members of the Town Board. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Patrick Holl, seconded by Councilman Barry Monro to pay: General #-49 - #62 in the amount of \$5,449.60 and Highway #49 - #74 in the amount of \$14,433.80. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm Diana Kilfeather, Town Clerk