

Town of Lincklaen Monthly Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Town Hall – 7:00 PM

Members Present

Supervisor Sharon Monro
Councilman Harold Baritell
Councilman Patrick Holl
Councilman Andrew Holl
Councilman James Pforter
Town Clerk Diana Kilfeather
Highway Superintendent Barry Monro
Deputy Hwy Super – Roy Marshall

Others Present

Absent

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

Minutes from September 17, 2024 meeting

- *The motion was made Councilman Patrick Holl, seconded by Councilman Harold Baritell to approve the 9/17/24 meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Profit & Loss and Budget Reports

- *Motion was made by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman Andrew Holl to approve the September 2024 financials. All in Favor. Motion carried.*

Communications:

- Chenango County Treasurer: Sales Tax receipts are 2.5% less than last year and not matching inflation.
- NYS Comptroller's office: State Aid payment for the annual September AIM (Aid and Incentives of Municipalities) payment should be coded to A3001.
- Chenango County Real Property Tax Services: Senior Citizen Exemption levels are set at \$16,700 - \$22,399.99 and will stay the same for 2025.
- Kilfeathers -Thank you letter to the Town and highway department for the great job done on Millers Corners Road.

Justice Report

- No Activity for the past 2 months.

Appointments: None

Highway Report

- Graded Wothe Freeman Road.
- Graded Kibbe Wilcox Road.
- Hauled sand.
- Took Truck #4 & 6 to Allied for new kingpins.
- Took Truck #6 to Tracey Road to address the check engine light.
- Took tires to the dump.
- Had steer tires put on Truck #4.
- Had drive tires rotated on Truck #3 & 4.
- Valve stems were repaired on rear tires of Truck #3.
- Fixed rear lights on all 3 trucks for inspection.
- Got help from County, Cuyler and Pitcher.
- We helped Pitcher, Cuyler and North Norwich.

- Had the annual hearing test done on 10/9/24.
- Got the new excavator on 9/30/24.
- ***Motion made to approve Supervisor Monro's executive decision to purchase tires for Truck #4 by Councilman Andrew Holl, seconded by Councilman James Pforter. All in Favor. Motion Carried.***
- Truck #6 needs new tires, quotes presented to the town board. ***Motion made to purchase new tires for Truck #6 from McKee Equipment by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman Patrick Holl. All in favor. Motion carried.***
- Truck #3 needs a new box, highway department would like to order this year and it will be paid for on next year's budget. Proposals and quotes presented to the town board. ***Motion made to purchase new box for Truck #3 from Viking Cives, and paid on next year's budget, by Councilman Patrick Holl, seconded by Councilman James Pforter. All in Favor. Motion carried.***

Clerk Report

- Dog licenses up to date.
- I will be doing virtual training regarding election law changes this Thursday at 10:30 am.

Solvent Saver – None

Cemetery – Woodlawn Cemetery - There was a complaint from a family member trying to locate their family headstone who said there was all kinds of brush covering the head stone and that he cleared it out. Town clerk went down to cemetery to investigate and found that a lot of brush needed to be cut back and cleared. Petty services will cut back and clean up the cemetery in that area.

RLF Report

1 Current

1 Delinquent

Old Business

- NBT Insurance – Not happy with the service this year. Sharon Monro will be comparing policies, coverage and prices with other towns in the area. Discussion over the Cyber coverage on plan and removing it since the information we deal with and the protections we have on our laptops should be sufficient ***Motion made to remove cyber security from our policy, by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman James Pforter. All in favor. Motion carried.***
- 2025 Budget- some updates to the budget were made due to the updates with the insurance and South Otselic Fire contract changes.
- The Election is November 5- Town Hall cannot be used November 1st-6th, until voting machines are picked up.

New Business

- County Snow Plowing Contract to plow County Roads, 12, 12A & 12B. A total of 21.94 miles both ways @ \$22.50 per mile. ***Motion made to accept and sign the County Snow Plowing Contract, by Councilman Patrick Holl, seconded by Councilman Andrew Holl. All in favor. Motion carried.***
- Planning Board - ***Motion was made to approve building permit for a 12 x 16 storage shed for Diana and Tom Kilfeather by Councilman Andrew Holl, seconded by Councilman Harold Baritell. All in favor. Motion carried.***
- An inquiry regarding the Church on Paradise Hill Road that is for sale. Needs to be changed from a religious zoning to a residence zoning. Needs to go through the planning board and Chenango county must reassess and give a certificate of occupancy.
- Resolution #10-1-2024 Establishing Energy Benchmarking Requirements for Certain Municipal Buildings- ***Motion made to adopt Resolution #10-1-2024 by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman Patrick Holl. All in favor. Motion carried. All in favor. Motion carried.***
- Surplus/Retiring - Two laptop computers due to upgrade to Windows 11. ***Motion made to retire and destroy 2 laptop computers by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman Patrick Holl. All in favor. Motion carried.***

- Discussion was had regarding our Fire Contracts with South Otselic and Cuyler and possible changing to DeRuyter. The agreement between the local surrounding towns is that whoever is available and able to get a truck out first are the ones to respond first no matter who their contract is with. We will leave our contract as is for 2025.

2024 Public Budget Hearing - 8:00 pm

- ***Supervisor Sharon Monro declared the Public Hearing open at 8:00 pm.***
- Notice has been read to open the 2025 Budget Public Hearing, Supervisor Monro has opened the floor to public comment, Supervisor Monro gives a second opportunity for any public comment regarding the 2025 budget. No public comment has been made.
- ***Motion was made to close the 2025 Budget Public Hearing by Councilman Patrick Holl, seconded by Councilman James Pforter. All in favor. Motion carried.***
- The total amount to be raised by taxes for 2025 budget is \$304,421.00. Budget will be available to the public on the Town's Website and in the Town Clerk's office.
- ***Motion was made by Councilman Harold Baritell, seconded by Councilman Andrew Holl to adopt the 2025 Lincklaen Town Budget as it is currently presented. All in favor. Motion carried.***

Motion to Pay Bills

- The monthly bills were audited by the members of the Town Board. ***Motion to approve to pay bills was made by Councilman Patrick Holl, seconded by Councilman Andrew Holl:*** General #102-113 in the amount of \$7,258.46 and Highway #167-178 in the amount of \$19,685.69. All in favor. Motion carried.

Upcoming:

Presidential Election – November 5 – all day, (Early Election dates posted on Website and Facebook)

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm

Diana Kilfeather