

**REGULAR MEETING
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN
AUGUST 19, 2019**

The Regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown was called to order by *Lawrence Eckhardt* at **7:05 PM** at the Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

(X) Supervisor Lawrence Eckhardt
(X) Councilman Philip Roder
(X) Councilman William Jennings
(X) Councilman Gerald Robinson
(X) Councilman Pam Kueppers
(X) Town Clerk Stephanie Wagar

(X) Highway Superintendent, Alden Goodermote
(X) Town Constable, Henry Wagar
(X) Assessor, Jennifer VanDeusen
(X) Transfer Station Attendee, Bob Olson
(X) Town Justice, John Meekins

A quorum (X) was () wasn't established.

14 from the Public were present

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

- Claim #214-19 through #245-19 in the amount of **\$44,905.85 to be paid** from the **General Account**
- Claim #132-19 through #156-19 in the amount of **\$60,967.05** from the **Highway Account**
- For a **Total of \$105,872.90** audited and approved by the Town Board.

MOTION BY: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: ROBINSON

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

Minutes of the **JULY 15, 2019 Regular Meeting** were approved by the Town Board as written.

MOTION BY: RODER

SECONDED BY: KUEPPERS

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: The Town Clerk turned over the sum of **\$1,067.32** to the Supervisor for the month of **July 2019**.

JUSTICE COURT REPORT: The distribution from the office of the State Comptroller, Justice Court Fund to the Town of Stephentown for the month of **APRIL 2019** was **\$3,069.00** and for the month of **JUNE 2019** was **\$2,290.00** and for the month of **JULY 2019** was \$_____.

TRANSFER STATION REPORT: The Transfer Station deposited a total of \$_____.00 for the month of **JULY 2019** *Nothing to Report for this month.*

B. Jennings: the new building is up. Using the old shed for storage for now until the light switch gets switched over.

P. Kueppers: discusses "Clean Up Day" event starting September 12th, tickets will be available. It will be good for (2) two truckloads and 4 tires. No garbage or hazardous waste will be accepted, everything else is acceptable same normal rules apply. No permit is required but proof of Stephentown Residency is required. Provided handout (attached to the minutes) Dates are not correct for the second week it should state October 2nd to October 5th.

B. Baker: what if you don't have a pickup truck?

P. Roder: it is for a size comparison.

ACCOUNT TOTALS:

GENERAL \$370,256.92

GENERAL RESERVE FUND \$184,590.07

BEACON ESCROW \$ 885.19

HIGHWAY \$694,655.51

HIGHWAY RESERVE FUND \$440,744.84

BEACON ESCROW FOR PLANT (BOND) \$5,000 & \$70,000.

REPORT FROM THE TOWN BOARD:

RESOLUTION #36 – 2019

APPOINT BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW POSITION

WHEREAS: the Town Board requested letters of interest and resumes for an expiring Board of Assessment Review position due to expire on September 30, 2019, and

WHEREAS: the Town Board has received a letter of interest from 1 applicant for the Board of Assessment Review position,
1. *Wesley Edwards of Stephentown, NY*
now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Town Board would like to appoint *Wesley Edwards* , to the Board of Assessment to a 5 year term due to expire on September 30th, 2024.

MOTION BY: RODER

SECONDED BY: ROBINSON

VOTES OF: 5 AYE 0 NAY

RESOLUTION #37 – 2019

ADVERTISE FOR SNOWPLOWING AT THE TRANSFER STATION & TOWN HALL, SHOVEL/SALT SIDEWALKS FOR 2019-2020

WHEREAS: the Town Board would like to Advertise for Snow removal at the Transfer Station and Town Hall including shoveling and salting sidewalks from October 1st, 2019 – to September 30th, 2020, and

WHEREAS: all interested parties must have at minimum a ¾ ton pick-up, and proof of insurance, now therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk is authorized to advertise for snowplowing at the Transfer Station and the Town Hall for the year 2019 – 2020 Winter Season. Bids are due to the Town Clerk by Friday, September 13th, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Delivered to the Town Hall or mailed to 26 Grange Hall Road, Stephentown, NY.

MOTION BY: ROBINSON

SECONDED BY: KUEPPERS

VOTES OF: 5 AYE 0 NAY

RESOLUTION #38 -19

ADVERTISE FOR BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW POSITION

WHEREAS: the Town Board would like to advertise for the Sole Assessor position that is due to expire on September 30th, 2019, and

WHEREAS: the Town board would like to request letters of interest and resumes for the 6 year term which is due to expire September 30th, 2025, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED: the Town Board request the Town Clerk to advertise for said position, letters and resumes are to be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office no later than 7:00pm on Friday, September 13th, 2019. Delivered to the Town Hall or mailed to 26 Grange Hall Road, Stephentown, NY.

MOTION BY: ECKHARDT

SECONDED BY: KUEPPERS

VOTES OF: 5 AYE 0 NAY

L. Eckhardt: Teamsters Health Care should be starting September 1st. Change over in street lights will be switched over to LEDs probably by next year. A request from Millie Smith for a policy regarding signs that are put up and left at the park for yard sales and elections. People leave them and a year later the signs are still there, when the event is over people need to pick up their signs. If they don't we may contact them, if it doesn't stop we may have to put a policy in place. Dog Control reports come in monthly, Wes is doing a great job. That time of year to put the reminder in the paper.

S. Wagar: have had some complaints regarding speed limits on Andrews Lane. Would it be possible to send in a few roads for a study for DOT?

L. Eckhardt: maybe Tom Titus, Aldie can you think of three more roads for us to pass a resolution to send in.

G. Robinson: Wednesday the Town Clerk released the RFP for Cable TV, there is a 60 day deadline, which will be Monday, October 14th, 2019 by 5:00PM. Companies will be required to present their offers to the Town in a Public Hearing.

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

J. Meekins: NYS has a Vehicle Traffic Law (VTL) that fines you \$300 if the signs aren't picked up we can also give them a littering ticket if they don't pick up the signs at the park.

P. Kuepper: suggests putting a note on the fliers for the clean up day to pick up signs.

S. Menhinick: update on the Celebrate Stephentown event, went very well had great weather, 100s of people.

L. Eckhardt: Farm Day Out had approximately 450-500 people, the Veteran's exhibit was great parking and the flow of traffic went well.

S. Menhinick: Thanks the Highway Superintendent Aldie, for the cones to help with traffic. It was great to see the community come together. Steve McLaughlin had mentioned the event.

K. Roppolo: Good turn out with the Youth Commission Summer Program, averaged about 40 kids per day. Swimming program numbers were a little low this year, we should come in around budget.

P. Roder: next event is Halloween

J. Meekins: has the Town received any legal papers for the Neil Gardner thing that was in the paper?

L. Eckhardt: No, Stephanie did you receive anything?

S. Wagar: No.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:12 PM

MOTION BY: JENNINGS

SECONDED BY: ROBINSON

VOTES OF: 5 AYE

0 NAY

****A Workshop Meeting** is held every second Monday of every month at **7:00PM** at the Town Hall.

****The next Regular Meeting** of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown will be held on **Monday, September 16th, 2019** at **7:00 PM** at the Town Hall.

Stephanie M. Wagar

Town Clerk

Stephentown Clean Up Days!

Got stuff you want to get rid of? Come on over!

You can pick up your **free** ticket at the:

Library Mon. – Thurs. 12:00 – 6:00,

Fri. 12:00 to 8:00 & Sat. 10:00 to 2:00

Town hall Mon., Wed., Fri., 5:00 – 7:00 or

2nd Sat. 9:00 – 12:00

Bring proof of Stephentown residency and a nonperishable food item for our Stephentown food pantry!

Tickets will be for a Wednesday, Friday or Saturday at the transfer station during the follow weeks:

September 25 to 28, October 6 to 5 or October 9 to 11.

No garbage or hazardous items, but everything else is fair game!