

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING @ the Russell Town Hall 04/16/2019
@ 6:00 pm**

PRESENT:

Supervisor White - absent
Councilor Burnham
Councilor Averill
Tess Eells – Town Clerk
Councilor Kerr
Councilor Whiteford - absent
Highway Superintendent White
Brenda Hale –Deputy Supervisor

GUESTS:

Bobby Knox
Larry Denesha

Pledge

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Deputy Supervisor Hale

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilor Burnham and seconded by Councilor Averill to accept the minutes from 03/19/2019 as presented by the Town Clerk.

Ayes-4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr
Nays-0 motion carried.

TOWN CLERK REPORT: 04/16/2019

March Report:

19 dog licenses	\$94.00
Hunting licenses commission	3.04
0 Marriage License Comm.	.00
1 Certified copies	10.00
0 Building permits	.00
0 Town Hall Donation	.00
0 impoundment fee	.00
Copy & fax money	.00
<u>Revenue to supervisor:</u>	<u>\$107.04</u>
<u>Disbursed amounts:</u>	
Ag & Market (spay, neuter program)	25.00
NYS Department of Health	.00
Decals	51.96
<u>Total Disbursed</u>	<u>\$184.00</u>

As of 04/09/19 I have collected 82.28% of the taxes \$1,495,852.52

A motion was made by Councilor Kerr
Seconded by Councilor Averill
To accept the Clerk Report as presented
Ayes-4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr
Nays-0 carried

BALL FIELD REPORT: None

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Deputy Supervisor Hale

1. Financial Report
 - Details of all income and expense transactions have been filed with the Town Clerk.
 - Account balances as of April 16, 2019 for the general fund, highway fund, Capital improvement fund, and street light funds have been filed with the Town Clerk.
 - The dock has been delivered and we need to set up a date to put it together in the river.

A motion was made by Council Burnham and seconded by Councilor Averill to accept the Supervisor report as presented by Deputy Supervisor Hale.

Ayes- 4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr
Nays-0 Motion carried

LEGISLATURE REPORT: Larry Denesha

- We were pleased that CHIP's came in around the same; Extreme Weather money has been eliminated.
- AIM funding was targeted to be cut but it is back in the budget.
- Sales tax revenue for 1st quarter is up a little less than ½ %.
- We passed a resolution on Monday night to keep contract with Auctions International for property tax auctions.
- We sent a Resolution in support to keep our 3 correctional facilities open. It is ultimately the Governors decision.

A motion was made by Councilor Averill and seconded by Councilor Kerr to accept the Legislature report as presented.

Ayes – 4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr
Nays – 0 Motion carried

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Russell: The spaghetti supper last weekend for Bryan Given raised some money for him

DeGrasse: None

A motion was made by Councilor Averill and seconded by Councilor Kerr to accept the Fire Department report as presented.

Ayes-4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr
Nays-0 Motion Carried

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: 04/16/2019 * Larry White

Now that the snow has let up we have stripped and cleaned up 2 of the trucks and painted the boxes as needed.

We have cut trees on the Hewlett, Blackmer and Forbes roads.

We have cleaned up sand in Russell and DeGrasse as well as several areas with excess build up.

We have swept most roads and some need it done again because of heavy build up over the winter

We have fabricated several sections of steel to make repairs to boxes on the trucks.

We have repaired a section of gravel roads on the Silver Hill Center and Forbes roads and ran the grader on all the gravel roads.

We will be grading them again when the frost comes out.

We have repaired the section behind the barn where we dump wood and started filling the sheds.

This has been a productive month and I thank the men.

Larry stated if the Extreme weather money comes in I will re-write the projects to include it.

Bobby asked about a dip in the road by Dick Harmers and a dip in the road on Pyrites Russell Road by Rowe's. Larry stated we repaired them but some places just seem to heave no matter what we do.

I received a letter from South Russell Cemetery Association asking for help with repairing the washed out driveway, clean roadway by vault and trimming up trees and removal. I touched base with Mike Perry on the issues he is the one doing the mowing.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE REPORT:

- Went over the roads that will be done this year

RESOLUTION # 34 * Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds Road Projects for 2019

A motion was made by Councilor Burnham and seconded by Councilor Kerr **THEREFORE**, the Russell Town Board authorizes the highway superintendent to sign the agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds in the amount of \$231,121.00 out of General Repairs on 77 miles of town highways as outlined in his agreement.

1. Improvements on the road commencing at Mill Street (Pestle Street) and leading to Northwest, a distance of $\frac{3}{4}$ miles there shall be expended not over the sum of \$43,940.20; Type 6 width of traveled surface 18', thickness 1.5"
2. On the road commencing at $\frac{3}{4}$ Northwest of Mill Street (Pestle Street) and leading to Northwest a distance of .6 miles there shall be expended not over the sum of \$30,049.80.
3. On the road commencing at Pestle Street (Mill Street) and leading to 200' South a distance of 200' there shall be expended not over the sum of \$6,335.00 Type T3 and sub base width of traveled surface 16' Thickness 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
4. On the road commencing at Pestle Street (Maiden Lane) and leading to South a distance of 430' there shall be expended not over the sum of \$9,195.00 Type sub base & T3 width of traveled surface 16', thickness 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
5. On the road commencing at County Route 24 (Burnell Road) and leading to Blanchard Hill road a distance of 1.2 miles there shall be expended not over the sum of \$123,025.00 Type3; width of traveled surface 18' thickness 3"
6. On the road commencing at 1/10 " from Pestle Street (Pyrites Russell Road) and leading North a distance of as far as funds go there shall be expended not over the sum of \$23,906.85+ Type T6 – shim width of traveled surface 18' thickness 1"

A motion was made by Councilor Whiteford and seconded by Councilor Burnham to accept the Highway and Highway Committee reports as presented.

Ayes – 4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr

Nays – 0 Motion carried

HORSE TRAILS & GRASSE RIVER BLUEWAY TRAIL REPORT: David Whiteford - None

RESOLUTION # 35 * Audit

A motion was made by Councilor Burnham and seconded by Councilor Averill to authorize the payment of the following bills

Audit Committee Report

April 16, 2019
Tomorrah Averill
Timothy White

Fund	Vouchers	Total
General	80 - 99	\$ 9,696.77
Highway	54 - 67	\$ 18,481.13
Capital Improvements		\$.00
Street Lights	4	<u>\$ 702.25</u>

Ayes-4 Averill, Burnham, Hale, Kerr
Nays-0 Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Flowers from Farr's are ordered
- Councilor Burnham mentioned it was to late to do something for Memorial Day but we really need to do something next year.

Motion by Councilor Kerr and seconded by Councilor Burnham to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by
Town Clerk – Tess Eells