

A regular meeting for the Town of Constable was held on September 10, 2020 at 7:00 pm. Members present were Councilwoman Lemire, Councilmen Patterson, and Wilson, Highway Superintendent Martin Supervisor Onufer, Town Clerk Prue and Code Officer Haley. Councilman Leahy was absent, Guests present were Larry Fleury, Constable Resident, Dalton Patterson, IT, and Aiden Pollard, Telegram.

BUDGET

Supervisor Onufer explained the unexpended fund balance. A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilwoman Lemire to accept the tentative budget, motion carrier.

Vote: Councilwoman Lemire Yes
Councilman Patterson Yes
Councilman Wilson Yes
Councilman Leahy Absent

Supervisor Onufer reported that the taxes should decrease for 2021.

A Public Hearing will be held October 8, 2020 at 7:00 PM for Constable Residents to review the Preliminary Budget and for the Town Board to approve the budget.

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Patterson to accept the minutes from the August 13, 2020 meeting, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Patterson to accept the minutes from the August 26, 2020 meeting, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Patterson and seconded by Councilman Wilson to accept the minutes from the September 4, 2020 meeting, motion carried.

CODE OFFICER

Gordie, gave his report for 07/21/2020 – 09/08/2020.

OYA Solar has begun work.

Helios – Progressing

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilwoman Lemire to accept the Code Officer's report, motion carried.

IT/TECHINICAL SUPPORT

Dalton explained what he has done with the Web-Site and what he has planned. Dalton presented Supervisor Onufer with his proposal to maintain the Website for 2021.

Dalton reported he received a question from a concerned citizen regarding the Constable Fire Department participation in a parade in Potsdam for Blue Lives Matter and Fire Dept.. They were concerned because the Representative for the Fire Dept. had a political flag flying from the truck and did the Town think that this was appropriate. This was turned over to Supervisor Onufer to address and it was decided that in the future any questions will be turned over to the Supervisor and he will present to the Town Board for handling.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Wilson to accept Dalton's report, motion carried with Councilman Patterson abstaining.

HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Martin gave his fuel usage report.

Nothing new to report on the State and Highway Snow and Ice Contracts.

Highway Superintendent Martin reported they worked for 2 weeks on Stebbins Road, North Side, and will submit for the remaining Grant Funds. There is still some work remaining on the Stebbins Road.

Historic marker is ready to be placed in Trout River. Martha Gardner gave Larry the coordinates as to where the marker is to be placed and are waiting for a phone call from Harry and Martha Gardner to set up a date to put the marker in place.

Highway Superintendent Martin reported that the mower can be purchased through CHIPS funds, tabled till spring.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Wilson to accept Larry's report, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Patterson for a Highway Budget Amendment #5-2020, motion carried.

\$543.87 from DA 5130.4 Machinery – Cont. Exp.
\$543.87 to DA 5130.2 Machinery Equip. – Cont. Exp.

\$174.30 from DA 5110.4 General Repairs – Cont. Exp.
\$174.30 to DA 5140.4 Misc. Brush & Weeds – Cont. Exp.

Bills were audited and approved: Highway – 87-99

Motion made by Councilwoman Lemire, seconded by Councilman Patterson to accept the Supervisor's Report - Highway Fund, motion carried.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Patterson to hire an electrician to install the lighting for the new sign and flag pole and to do the wiring at the Judge's deck, motion carried.

DASNY – Nothing new to report

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Patterson for a Capital Projects Budget Amendment #4-2020, motion carried.

\$30,000.00 from H909
\$30,000.00 to H1620.2.1

Supervisor Onufer reported that the lawn mower has been ordered - \$1,998.00 And the Cub Cadet snow blower will be purchased from Tractor Supply at a price of \$1,399.99.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Patterson to accept the Capital Projects Report, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Wilson to approve the Supervisor Report - Capital Projects, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Wilson for Resolution #18-2020 which reads as follows:

Relating to changes to Rural Development form E#10 for the construction of the new Constable Town Hall.

Whereas: Adjustments need to be made to certain line items to correct remaining balances, the following adjustments require board approval.

1. \$6,258.93 from Site work to Furniture
2. \$1,650.00 from Site work to Power hook up
3. \$1,064.00 from Site work to Network Connection

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the Constable Town Board adopts the resolution approving the changes made to Rural Development for E#10 this 10th day of September 2020.

Councilwoman Lemire - Yes
Councilman Leahy – Yes – By Proxy
Councilman Patterson - Yes
Councilman Wilson – Yes

Bills were audited and approved: Capital Projects – 52-64

TOWN CLERK

Town Clerk turned in \$266.50 for the month of August.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lemire and seconded by Councilman Wilson to accept the Town Clerk's report, motion carried.

JUSTICE

Justice Wisnesky turned in \$662.00 for July with the Town keeping \$145.00.

Justice Wisnesky turned in \$411.00 for August and no voucher has been received from the Justice Dept.

HUD

Supervisor Onufer reported that he received a discharge of mortgage for the E.L., L. D., and L.D. projects.

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SUPERVISOR

Nothing new to report on a cell tower being placed in Constable.

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson and seconded by Councilman Lemire for a General Fund - Budget Amendment #7-2020, motion carried.

\$25.01 from Account #A1355.2 Tax Assessor Grievance Board.
\$25.01 to Account ##A1355.4 Tax Assessor – Cont. Exp.

\$340.08 from Account #A7210.4 Youth Programs Contractual Exp.
\$340.08 to Account #A5132.4 Garage – Cont. Exp.

Savings statement for August 2020 was reviewed by all board members present. Trial Balance for August 2020 was reviewed by all board members present.

Supervisor Onufer reported that the Historical Society may dissolve and if they do, they will turn in any funds to the Town to be used for any future Historical Society or any celebration in the Town.

Bills were audited and approved: General –162-183

Supervisor's Report, General Fund, presented and reviewed by all board members present, a motion was made by Councilman Patterson, seconded by Councilman Wilson to accept, motion carried.

Constable Resident Larry Fleury addressed the board regarding the speed limit near his house. He would like to see the buffer zone pushed back to the other side of the Tom and Nancy Hamilton house. He reports that trucks and cars are not paying attention to the reduced speed from 55 and he is afraid that someone is going to be hit while they are walking or kids getting on an off the school bus. Supervisor Onufer to contact the NYS DOT.

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Wilson at 9:50 P.M., seconded by Councilwoman Lemire, motion carried.