

MINUTES OF TOWN OF PACIFIC BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 18, 2020 6:00 PM Held at the Pacific Town Hall

Call to Order: The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Devine at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Chairman William Devine and Supervisors Irma Brockley, Craig Cawley and Steve Paulk were present.

Others Present: Treasurer Mark Zimmerman, Clerk Marlo Gustafson, Town Attorney John Miller, Town Engineer Robert Roth, Paul Ammann, Frederick Meierdirk, Julie Kayartz, and Steve Pate were also present.

Verification of Public Notice: Clerk verified public notice was given on August 13, 2020.

Town Agenda: Motion by Brockley/Cawley to approve the agenda as posted. All in favor by call of roll.

Prior Month's Town Board Minutes: Motion by Cawley/Brockley to approve the minutes of July 21, 2020 as presented. All in favor by call of roll.

Building Permits Report: Reviewed.

Road Report: Crack filling complete. Columbia County will be seal coating this week. Received complaint about intersection of Dunning Road and Patchin Road and tree/bush limbs were trimmed in response.

Cemetery Report: Bruce D. Lambert was buried on Lot 176, Grave 3 on August 5, 2020. Trimmer purchased for cemetery and Town Hall.

Recycling Center Report: Supervisor Cawley attended the August 5th Solid Waste Meeting, there were no complaints. Minutes were provided from July Solid Waste Committee meeting.

Sheriff's Report: There were 130 calls in July.

Building & Grounds Report: Supervisor Cawley reported on the filling in of three large sink holes at the Town Hall. He also mentioned that his key gets stuck in the front door. He sprayed all door locks with silicone.

Correspondence: Supervisor Cawley provided material regarding Alliant Energy's goals to accelerate their sustainability and eliminate all coal from their generation fleet. The new goal is 2040, ten years faster than the previous target.

The Town Clerk provided an email that she sent to Andrea Hogue of the Iron Pig in June of 2018, prior to Andrea's purchase of the property. The email gives clear guidance to Andrea to contact Columbia County Planning & Zoning Department regarding any zoning violations and to find out what the permitted uses of the property were.

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Town Engineer Robert Roth provided an email from Paulson and Associates, LLC regarding their busy schedule. They suggest delaying the surveying of the Lakeside Park Subdivision until mid to late November with a completion date consistent with the schedule proposed last year.

Report from Town Plan Commission: Draft minutes were provided and reviewed from the August 4, 2020 Plan Commission meeting.

Public Comments: Resident Paul Ammann asked when more gravel would be added to the shoulders on Patchin Road. Supervisor Cawley stated he will contact Joe DeBoer of Columbia County.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Cawley/Brockley to accept the Treasurer's Report. All in favor by call of roll.

Payment of Current Bills: Motion by Brockley/Cawley to approve payment of current bills with checks numbered 15530 through 15562 and electronic draws 20-46 through 20-51 in the amount of \$40,975.04. Check #15540 to the City of Portage for fire calls will be held back until right-of-way question is answered on fire call 20-169. All in favor by call of roll.

Investment Report: The next investments are coming due in October and November.

Title Experts LLC Title Work/Research in Lakeside Park Subdivision: Title Experts, LLC provided the lowest quote to do title searches on all properties in the Lakeside Park Subdivision. The search would include current owners, encumbrances, liens and judgements, easements, and rights of way of record. This information would be provided to Paulson and Associates, LLC for the future survey of the area. Motion by Cawley/Brockley to accept the quote as presented. All in favor by call of roll.

Discussion of Process for Town Board to Use to Fill Vacancy in Supervisor Beasley's Seat: The Board discussed options to use to fill the seat. The options discussed were: (1) proceed with the same procedure used for the last vacancy, (2) require individuals to submit a letter indicating interest and background relevant to position, and (3) do not fill the seat until the spring election. Motion by Paulk/Cawley to use the procedure that was used for filling the last vacant seat. Motion passed with Cawley, Paulk, Devine in favor/Brockley opposed.

Discussion of Process to Determine if Town Residents prefer to retain the Caucus System for Election of Supervisors or Adopt a Non-Partisan Primary System: Chairman Devine discussed the process for the Board's information only.

Plan Commission Appointment and Approval: Plan Commission member Joe Duesler resigned in July. His term ends April of 2021. Motion by Cawley/Brockley to approve appointment of Ken Ryzek to the Town Plan Commission to finish Joe Duesler's term. All in favor by call of roll.

Adjourn: Motion by Brockley/Cawley to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. All in favor by call of roll.

Marlo Gustafson, WCMC
Town Clerk