



Town Board Regular Meeting ★★★★★★★★

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT — Supervisor Anthony Lucenti, Councilmen, Rodney Dodge, Joe Juliano, Eric Kane; absent was Councilwoman Bette Szesny.

ALSO PRESENT WERE — Town Clerk, Barbara J. Boulia, Deputy Supervisor John Scholl, Deputy

Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson, Assessor George Haskell and Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green. Also present were Town Residents; Ava & John Werczynski, Dale Dodge, Harry Robbins, Peter Cardone, Jr. and Gerald Amendola.

Supervisor Lucenti led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PAY BILLS — Motion by Joe Juliano, second by Kane, that the bills for the past month be paid as presented: General #67 to #91, and Highway #49 to #73; all in favor.

MINUTES: FEBRUARY 14, 2018 — Motion by Dodge, second by Kane, that the Town Board dispense with the reading of the minutes of February 14, 2018 and approve them as printed; all in favor.

CODES OFFICER'S REPORT: BY PHILIP GREEN — Mr. Green said there are a few permits. He said there is court case re: Windfall Road, and he will not be at the April meeting because he will be at school.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR'S REPORT — Not available.

MASS GATHERING LAW: STILL BEING REVIEWED BY PLANNING BOARD — Supervisor Lucenti said they are still reviewing it, as there are some questions that need to be answered by the Town Attorney.

RIDE FOR MISSING CHILDREN — Supervisor Lucenti said he spoke to Donna Erhardt, and she would like some community support from the residents of the Town of Schuyler. He said the ride will take place on June 1st, 2018, and they will be coming down Herkimer Road between 4:00 to 4:30 PM, and it would be a nice gesture to cheer them on.

SEWER EXPANSION: ROUTE 5 /C2AE ENGINEERING — Supervisor Lucenti said 20 years ago they did a cost analysis regarding Sewer. He said he has been talking to Jim Bono regarding this issue and Jim will look into the county providing some assistance.

HIGHWAY REPORT: BY PHILIP JOHNSON, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT — Deputy Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson said the 2014 Dodge is in the shop for repairs again. He said it is under warranty, and he has asked for a Chrysler representative to contact him regarding the Dodge. He said he has found a 2018 Ford 550 gas truck to replace the Dodge. He said he will list the Dodge for \$35,000.00, which includes the plow and no sander.

Supervisor Lucenti said he received a thank you note from town resident Debbie Windecker, thanking Chris Christensen for contacting the Fire Department when they lost power and needed to water the animals.

O'BRIEN & GERE PROPOSAL: DEC APPLICATION UPDATE: Supervisor Lucenti said O'Brien & Gere are only halfway through with the application for the D.E.C.

FRANKFORT BRIDGE: ANY CONTACT FROM FRANKFORT — Deputy Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson said the State will fund 95%, and they are looking into funding for repairs of this bridge.

RECREATION BY JOE JULIANO: BENCHES & NEW SIGN: Councilman Juliano said the NYS Troopers are investigating the theft of the benches at the park, and nothing has turned up as of yet. He said he is getting quotes for a sign honoring the park after Robert VanDusen.

Town Resident John Werczynski suggested installing a motion light at the park, which will help the problem.

EXTRAVAGANZA REPORT — Supervisor Lucenti said everything is going good with the Extravaganza.

REPORT BY PARK RANGER — Nothing is going on.

WATER BOARD REPORT: BY BETTE SZESNY — Not Available.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT BY BETTE SZESNY: MASTER PLAN / ZONING MAP — Supervisor Lucenti said they will be working on the new Master Plan. He said most small towns do their own. He said they will also update the zoning map. He said they have invited County Legislator Jim Bono, Jeff Quackenbush, and Debbie Windecker to the April 4th, 2018 meeting, which starts at 6:00 PM.

ZBA REPORT: 2 LETTERS OF INTEREST — Supervisor Lucenti said they have received two letters of interest regarding alternate member for the ZBA. They will keep position open until the April meeting.

ANY INTEREST IN NATIONAL GRID LIGHTING PROGRAM? — Supervisor Lucenti said he received an E-mail regarding any interest in LED lighting. The town board said to hold off for the time being.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: INSURANCE — Supervisor Lucenti said he called Dave Craine from Mang Insurance regarding adding the Historical Society to the Town's insurance. He said Dave Craine will cover up to \$5,000.00 at no charge to the Town; however they want an inventory of what is in that room.

FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE — Supervisor Lucenti said he would like to thank Gerald Amendola for his service, as well as all the other Volunteer Firefighters, who received a plaque for 50 years of service with the Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. Supervisor Lucenti said an article will appear in the Newsletter.

RESIDENT COMMENT — Town Resident Harry Robbins asked if anybody read the article placed in the newspaper by Herkimer County I.D.A. He said there was no mention of agriculture at all. He said we have beef and honey production as well as milk production. Mr. Robbins also said he contacted the Farm Bureau about this, as well.

ADJOURNMENT — There being no further business to come before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

— Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk



Editor's Note ... 50+ Year Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company Member Gerald Amendola displayed several of his awards at the meeting, including a hand-made clock and a commendation from Congresswoman Claudia Tenney. He encourages young residents to become involved in the Volunteer Fire Co. and/or Ambulance Corps, citing the many awards and commendations that can be achieved, as well as the self satisfaction that comes in serving and protecting the residents of the Town of Schuyler.