

**April 10, 2017**

Supervisor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the flag salute at the advertised first monthly meeting of the Worcester Town Board, held in the Earl F. Johnson room, Town Building, 29 Katie Lane, Worcester, NY.

**Present:**

Don Lindberg	----	Supervisor
Larry DeLong	----	Councilman
Don Zaengle	----	Councilman
Harold Ridgeway	----	Councilman

**Not Present:** Dave Miller ---- Councilman

**Town Officials Present:** Historian, Marilyn Dufresne; Highway Superintendent, Roger Butler and Bookkeeper, Alice Hughes

**Citizens Present:** Agnes Terrell, Tim Powers, Billy Koncelik and Elizabeth Koncelik

**Minutes:** Councilman DeLong moved to accept the March 27, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

**Public Input:** Marilyn Dufresne asked about the dog law and if there is any way a person can be reimbursed for medical expenses when a dog attacks another dog without going to the court.

Billy and Elizabeth Koncelik of 5 Mill Street reported that there is a drainage issue at the new Family Dollar store which is causing water to run onto their property causing their lawn to erode. Supervisor Lindberg said that he will talk to Family Dollar and our Code Enforcement Officer to get this remedied. Mr. and Mrs. Koncelik also expressed concern over trash that is blowing around from the Family Dollar Store.

Dave Chase and Jim Empie attended this meeting on behalf of the Worcester Fire Department and Emergency Squad regarding the music festival that is scheduled for early this summer on Brady Road. Mr. Chase and Mr. Empire reported that they have very little information about access in the event of an emergency or who will be handling medical emergencies. Discussion ensued over keeping Brady Road accessible to emergency vehicles. No parking signs could be placed along Brady Road and vehicles found on the roadway could be towed.

Discussion continued on the music festival. Councilman DeLong reported that the Town Board needs to issue a permit for the event, but more information needs to be supplied by the organizer. Councilman Ridgeway will contact Tim Rutland to invite him to a Town Board meeting to address the concerns that are arising and to supply the necessary paperwork.

Judge Brian Keenan asked the board to consider hiring someone to enter old traffic tickets into the system to collect on the fines from many years ago that were never processed. Judge Keenan

recommended that Cherie Powers be hired for the summer to enter and process the tickets.

**Highway Superintendent:** Roger Butler reported that the highway department is working on fixing the roads from winter and the washouts from the recent heavy rain.

**Financial:** The Supervisor's monthly statement, Town Clerk's report and the Town and HUD's financial statements are on file at the Town Clerk's office.

**Resolution #75: Audit of Claims**

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Zaengle: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on the abstracts for April 10, 2017.

<u>General:</u> claims: 57-65	Abstract 4	\$41,786.28
<u>Highway:</u> claims: 74-91	Abstract 4	\$26,891.13
<u>East Worcester Water #1:</u> claims: 17-20	Abstract 4	\$504.98
<u>Worcester Water #2:</u> claims: 22-26	Abstract 4	\$1,100.27
<u>Street Lights:</u> claims: 7-8	Abstract 4	\$1,620.16

VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

**Old Business:** Supervisor Lindberg asked Maryland, Westford and Decatur if they would be willing to join in with the Town of Worcester for a paper shredding event. The Supervisor's reported that they will ask at their next Town Board meetings and will get back to Supervisor Lindberg. Councilman Ridgeway moved, second by Councilman DeLong to send the contract to "Shred-It" and advertise the event for all the towns even if they don't contribute financially.

VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

Councilman DeLong moved to enter executive session to discuss the union contract negotiations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

Councilman Zaengle moved to conclude executive session at 8:40 pm and resume regular session. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeLong. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

**Resolution #76: Accepting the Highway Union Contract**

Offered by Councilman Zaengle, second by Councilman DeLong: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board accepts the union contract from IBEW Local 97 for the Highway Department workers effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2022. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

**New Business:** The board reviewed a proposal for engineering fees for a new highway garage. The total proposal was for 5 phases of engineering totaling \$15,540.00. Phase one is \$3,640.00 which includes the preliminary design. The board discussed if the preliminary design will have enough detail and cost projections for the project be put up to referendum.

**Resolution #77: Accepting Preliminary Design quote from McManus Engineering**

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman DeLong: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board accepts the quote from McManus Engineering for the preliminary design of a new highway garage in order to have information to supply to voters prior to a referendum. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

**Town Clerk:** nothing at this time

**Adjournment:** Councilman DeLong moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:23pm, the motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Beverland  
Town Clerk