

July 24, 2017

Supervisor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the flag salute at the advertised second 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
	Dave Miller	----	Councilman
	Harold Ridgeway	----	Councilman

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

Citizens Present: Agnes Terrell, Tim Powers, Tom VanWormer, Herb Fiederer, Pat Fiederer, Rita Tetenes and Dan Stannard

Minutes: Councilman DeLong moved to accept the July 10, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway, Miller) Noes: 0

Public Input: Marilyn Dufresne asked if the Town Board would sign a card congratulating the Town of Davenport on their bicentennial celebration.

Herb Fiederer asked when the Code Enforcement Officer is available to do inspections. Mr. Fiederer is waiting to start a job because he needs the Codes Officer to be available to do inspections. Supervisor Lindberg agreed to speak with the Codes Officer about having a date and time available to inspect Mr. Fiederer's job.

Councilman DeLong reported that County Codes is required by law to serve as our Code Enforcement should the Town of Worcester not have a Code Enforcement Officer.

Water Superintendent: Roger Butler, Highway Superintendent reported that the hydrants in East Worcester don't need to be sandblasted, just wire brushed, primed and painted. A current part time Town of Worcester employee would be willing to do the work. The board was in agreement that this is the best solution to getting the hydrants painted.

Supervisor Lindberg reported that Dave Wilber from the NYS Health Department said that we should be receiving the contract within 7 days and then the drilling can start on the new wells. Discussion was had on how to maintain the field, what kind of fencing or gates should be at the property and what the allowable uses of the field will be once the wells are dug.

The Town Attorney is getting in writing from the railroad that the 2 crossings to the Water District property will not be closed.

Highway Superintendent: Roger Butler reported that the crushing at the gravel bank to make crusher run and road sand has been completed. Paving for the year has been completed.

Financial:

Resolution #98: Audit of Claims

Offered by Councilman Miller, second by Councilman Zaengle: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on the abstracts for July 24, 2017.

<u>General:</u> claims: 133-146	Abstract 7P	\$6,448.65
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<u>Highway:</u> claims: 160-171	Abstract 7P	\$130,906.35
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<u>East Worcester Water #1:</u> claims: 34-35	Abstract 7P	\$887.02
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<u>Worcester Water #2:</u> claims: 45-48	Abstract 7P	\$2,101.42
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VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway, Miller) Noes: 0

Planning Board: Councilman DeLong reported that the Planning Board looked over the land use amendment which would allow restaurants, libraries and outside display of sales in the hamlet district. The Planning Board's comment was that there is no one enforcing the laws and that the whole land use regulations should be repealed and started new. The amendment will be sent back to the Planning Board for a public hearing.

A Planning Board working group was started to work on the proposed commercial solar regulation. The Otsego County Planning Department will review the draft before it goes any further.

The signs at the intersection of Hollenbeck Road and State Route 7 were discussed that the Planning Board meeting. The Planning Board would support buying or leasing that little parcel of land if the NYS DOT will allow it to have business signs in their right-of-way.

Old Business: Don Zaengle reported that things are going fine at the pool, but they will be cutting back to 3 lifeguards on duty rather than 4. This is still within the guidelines set by NYS and will allow the budget to go further and allow the pool to stay open later in the season.

Supervisor Lindberg measured the various sidewalks that need replacing. The board decided that within the current budget constraints, the 36' section at 293 Main Street, the 76' section from 283-285 Main Street and a section of 75' on Depot Street in East Worcester are the priority. Since the project will be less than \$10,000 3 quotes will be obtained.

Councilman DeLong reported that there is already a local law on the books that outlines where and when parking is permitted in the hamlet. This should be reviewed prior to any changes being considered.

Councilman DeLong reported on his findings about how to deal with feral cats. There will be a meeting between a Worcester Town Board member, the County Representative and the Susquehanna Animal Shelter regarding how to best deal with the issue on Main Street in Worcester.

New Business: The maple trees in the park on State Route 7 in the west end of the Worcester hamlet should be taken down and replaced. Brief discussion was had on who should be responsible for removing them.

Town Clerk: Jo-Ann Beverland reported that the Dollar General hearing for a special use permit will be on August 3rd at 7:00pm.

Adjournment: Councilman Ridgeway moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm, the motion was seconded by Councilman Miller. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway, Miller)
Noes: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Beverland
Town Clerk