

July 09, 2018

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:	Donald Lindberg	----	Supervisor
	Larry DeLong	----	Councilman
	Dave Miller	----	Councilman
	Harold Ridgeway	----	Councilman
	Don Zaengle	----	Councilman

Other Officials Present: Historian, Marilyn Dufresne; Bookkeeper, Alice Hughes and Water Superintendent, Aaron House

Citizen Present: Agnes Terrell, Rita Tetenes, Jeff Teller, Harry Bristol and Jordan Clements from Otsego County Soil and Water

Presentation from Otsego County Soil and Water

Jordan Clements, Director of Otsego County Soil and Water gave a brief presentation to the board about a program for countywide stream maintenance. If the Town of Worcester wants to participate in the program, it will require a contribution to the program for the next 5years at a cost of approximately \$5,600 annually. Projects will be addressed on a priority basis throughout the County. There is no guarantee that any projects will necessarily be done within the Town of Worcester. The purpose of the program is to be proactive and mitigate flood damages.

Minutes: Councilman DeLong moved to accept the June 25, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller.

VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Public Input: Agnes Terrell asked when the stream by her house will be cleaned. Ms. Terrell then reported on the figures in the final assessment roll and the equalization rate.

Jeff Teller reported that there is a 58 acre lot on Caryl's Lake road for sale that adjoins the lake.

Marilyn Dufresne asked if the sidewalk in front of the Worcester Inn will be fixed. Supervisor Lindberg reported that he will contact someone to see about getting it repaired.

Harry Bristol asked on behalf of the Schenevus-Worcester Rotary if the Worcester Town Board would be a sponsor of the block party scheduled for August 25th from 3-8pm and if the Town of Worcester would supply a portable toilet.

Resolution #87: Supporting Schenevus-Worcester Rotary Block Party

Offered by Councilman Miller, second by Councilman DeLong: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board agrees to co-sponsor the Schenevus-Worcester Rotary Block Party on August 25, 2018 and will sign the paperwork necessary for the NYS DOT to have a portion of State Route 7 closed and have traffic detoured during the event. Be it also resolved that the Worcester Town Board agrees to supply 1 portable toilet for the event. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway, Miller) Noes: 0

Highway Superintendent:

Resolution # 88: Declaring Screening Plant as Surplus

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Zaengle: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board hereby declares the screening plant as surplus inventory and authorizes Roger Butler, Highway Superintendent to advertise the screening plant for sale.

VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Water Superintendent: Aaron House reported that he is having trouble getting companies that do soil core samples to return his call, but did receive one quote for \$12,465. JJ Butler is willing to drill a 6” test well for a few thousand dollars and if that well develops fine, the actual well will be dug in that same location.

Resolution #89: Authorizing J.L Butler and Son to drill test well

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Zaengle: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board authorizes R.L Butler and Son to drill a 6” test well prior to drilling the actual well that will be used as backup for the Worcester Water District #2. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Aaron House reported that the Department of Health inspected the pool and no issues were found.

Aaron House will be doing some hydrant flushing this week.

Discussion followed on the Worcester Water District 2 property at the end of Park Street. Fencing and gates were discussed, but the property would have to be surveyed before putting a fence between the Water District's Property and the neighboring field.

Resolution # 90: Survey for Worcester Water District 2 property at end of Park Street

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Miller: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board will have the property owned by Worcester Water District #2 surveyed prior to the fence being installed. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

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 #91: Audit of Claims

Offered by Councilman Miller second by Councilman DeLong: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on abstract 7:

Abstract 7

General Fund:	claims: 175-189	\$32,050.74
Highway Fund:	claims: 126-132	\$2,635.51
East Worcester Water #1	claims: 26	\$40.00
Worcester Water #2	claims: 50-51	\$111.76
Street Lights	claims: 13-14	\$1,374.24

VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Zaengle, Ridgeway, Miller) Noes: 0

Code Enforcement: Supervisor Lindberg reported that Lloyd Stannard has resigned effective July 31, 2018. The board discussed what to do about Code Enforcement. Councilman DeLong will take to the Otsego County Code Enforcement Department to see what they can do or any advice they can provide.

Councilman Miller offered a motion to stop paying the code enforcement officer immediately. The motion did not receive a second.

Planning Board: The Planning Board meets this Wednesday.

Supervisor's Report: Supervisor Lindberg reported that Steve Ives is sanding and staining the floors in the Town Building at 19 Katie Lane. Supervisor Lindberg would like the Town Clerk to move into the building first after the phone lines are installed.

Old Business: Councilman DeLong spoke with the Department of State regarding the procedure to adopt a local law:

1. A copy has to be distributed to all board members
2. The Local Law has to be formally introduced
3. The SEQR process has to happen
4. A public hearing must take place.

Councilman DeLong is going to request some assistance from the County Planning Department on how to do the SEQR process.

For the Record: Copies of the proposed “Solar Energy Systems” and the Omnibus Land Use Amendments have been distributed to the board.

Councilman DeLong does hereby formally introduce the “Solar Energy Systems” into consideration and proposes to hold the public hearing as originally scheduled on August 13, 2018 at 6:00pm.

Councilman DeLong does hereby formally introduce the proposed “Omnibus Land Use Amendments” into consideration and proposes to hold the public hearing as originally scheduled on August 13, 2018 at 6:00pm.

Councilman DeLong reported that the proposed “Caryl's Lake Nature Preserve” regulation has been reviewed by the Town Attorney and it meets all legal requirements for a local law.

New Business: Nothing at this time

Town Clerk: The Town Clerk reported that Robinson-Broadhurst grant for new holiday decorations was received in the amount of \$10,000. This month, holiday decorations are on sale at the company we have purchased from in the past. Discussion was had about what kind of decorations to have.

Councilman Zaengle moved, second by Councilman Ridgeway, to authorize the Town Clerk to purchase big LED Snowflakes to replace the current decorations, and that the new decorations be put up in memory of Michael Turner.

Adjournment: Councilman DeLong moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ridgeway. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Sincerely,

Jo-Ann Beverland
Town Clerk