

September 23, 2019

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 Town of Worcester Municipal Building.

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

Not Present: Harold Ridgeway ---- Councilman

Other Officials Present: Historian, Marilyn Dufresne and Bookkeeper, Alice Hughes

Others present: Agnes Terrell, Kathryn Demby, Rita Tetenes, Leo Tetenes, Nancy Milavec and Shane Digan from Otsego County Planning and Solid Waste.

Minutes: Councilman Miller moved to accept the September 9, 2019 meeting minutes presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle.

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

Public Input: Shane Digan from Otsego County Planning and Solid Waste gave a presentation on the NYS Plastic Bag Waste Reduction Act which takes effect in March of 2020.

Agnes Terrell stated that she disagrees with the resolution appointing the assessor. Ms. Terrell feels that the resolution should have stated a salary and a probationary period.

Councilman Miller moved to amend Resolution #91 from 9-9-19 to include the following. The assessor shall be paid \$3,000 for the remainder of 2019 and at a rate of \$15,000 annually starting in January of 2020. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Marilyn Dufresne asked that something be done with the dog that she saw loose on Cook Street. Mrs. Dufresne was advised to contact the dog control officer to issue a ticket, and that there isn't anything that can be done by the Town Board. Supervisor Lindberg will review the dog local law and suggest changes be made to the penalties.

Nancy Milavec reported that the DAR held an event at the Worcester Inn recently, but 2 attendees fell on the sidewalk and curb area on Main Street. Mrs. Milavec would like to see the sidewalk repaired, something done with the curbs, an additional crosswalk and more handicapped parking. Supervisor Lindberg agreed to look at the area to see if repairs can be made.

Kathryn Demby asked about the status of the South Worcester Historic District proposal.

Discussion ensued on the pros and cons of a historic district regulation and some of the wording in the proposed law.

Highway Superintendent: Jo-Ann Beverland showed the board a picture of the recent culvert replacement on South Hill Road in East Worcester. The board was impressed at the work that was done by the highway department.

Financial:

Resolution #93: Audit of Claims:

Offered by Councilman Zaengle, second by Councilman Miller: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on abstract 9P:

Abstract 9P:

General Fund:	claims: 195-207	\$2,713.71
Highway Fund:	claims: 174-183	\$14,054.98
East Worcester Water #1	claims: 39-40	\$1,221.35
Worcester Water #2	claims: 52-53	\$2,607.33

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

For the record, Supervisor Lindberg presented the Town Clerk the 2020 tentative budget. Copies were distributed to all board members. The board scheduled a budget workshop on Monday, October 7th at 6:30pm.

Planning Board Report: A letter was received from Don Kirby resigning from the Planning Board. Councilman Zaengle moved to accept Don Kirby's resignation, the motion was seconded by Councilman Miller. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

A committee was formed to look for potential members to join the Worcester Planning Board. Rita Tetenes said that she would be interested in serving on the board.

Resolution # 94: Appointing Rita Tetenes to the Worcester Planning Board

Offered by Councilman Zaengle, second by Councilman Miller: Be it resolved, the that the Worcester Town Board appoints Rita Tetenes to the Town of Worcester Planning Board to fill an unexpired term ending in February of 2020. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

At the next Town Board meeting, Chuck Thompson and Pat Fiederer from the Planning Board will be in attendance to discuss the future of the Planning Board.

Supervisor Report: Supervisor Lindberg would like to put the original proposal for a highway department building back out to bid. Councilman Miller moved to authorize Supervisor Lindberg to put it out to bid, the motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Old Business: Nothing at this time.

New Business: Potential Robinson-Broadhurst grant requests were discussed. Some suggestions were for pool repairs, benches for Main Street, and a snow machine for winter sidewalk snow removal.

Town Clerk: A letter from Lauren Milavec concerning the sidewalks and curbs along Main Street was distributed to the board.

Adjournment: Councilman Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:51pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zaengle. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Zaengle) Noes: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Beverland
Town Clerk