

Newstead Town Board Meeting- August 27, 2018

The Board entered executive session at 7:48pm to discuss contractual issues on a motion from Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke. Carried

The Board exited executive session on a motion by Councilwoman Morlacci, seconded by Supervisor Cummings at 8:02pm, having taken no action. Carried

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 8:05pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present: David Cummings- Supervisor
Joseph Dugan- Councilman
Edmund Burke- Councilman
Jeannine Morlacci- Councilwoman
Brendan Neill- Town Attorney
Scott Rybarczyk- Town Engineer
Dawn Izydorczak- Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present except Councilman Jendrowski.

Town Clerk Izydorczak led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the regular meeting held on August 13, 2018 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Dugan to approve as presented. Carried

Agenda Changes – None

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A letter from Charter Communications notifying the town of service /provider changes.

A letter was received from Alden Central School regarding the Board of Education's decision to opt out of any real property tax exemption within the jurisdictional limits of the District with respect to solar energy systems, wind energy systems, farm waste energy systems, micro-hydroelectric energy systems, fuel cell electric generating energy systems, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment, electric energy storage equipment energy systems, and electric energy storage systems which began construction subsequent to the date of the resolution.

The annual 30-day enrollment period for Agricultural District inclusion will run from September 1st – September 30th.

A notice of Local Planning for Agriculture training session will be held on September 25, 2018 with session 1 including a farm tour in North Collins and session 2 including a guest speaker on agricultural preservation tools.

A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilwoman Morlacci to accept and file the presented correspondence. Carried

Work Session: The Supervisor reported at the work session held last week the following items were discussed: 2019 budget meetings with department heads, building projects, water & sewer projects, planning items, grant updates, services contracts, LOSAP request, bike path issues, and any other items brought before the Board. An executive session was held to discuss personnel and contractual issues from 8:32pm to 9:22pm.

Agenda Items Question Period: No one spoke

Budget transfers: a motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke to approve the budget transfer as presented in a memo from Bookkeeper Colleen Salmon dated 8/27/18. Carried

Approval of Bills – Supervisor Cummings reported that the Abstract(s) from Batch(es) #1853 & 1854 have been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch(es) #1858 & 1860 for payment. Vouchers on this abstract(s) numbered from 889 – 941, totaling \$111,262.39. Councilwoman Morlacci seconded to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batch(es) #1858 & 1860:

General Fund (A) -\$20,356.34, General Fund- Outside Village (B) \$1,282.36, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$62,025.28, CAP- Trail Grant (HTG)- \$21,910.46, CAP-Water-Scotland (HS)- \$584.97, CAP- Water Improvement (HW)- \$2,667.44, CAP Water-Downey (HW01)- \$350.98, CAP- Water- Cedar (HW02)- \$315.88, CAP- Water-Knapp- (HW03) \$639.30, Drainage (SD)- \$54.81, Fire Protection (SF) \$0, Refuse (SR) \$29.84, Sewer #1 Fund (SS) \$885.38, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$64.32, Sewer District #3 (SS03)- \$0, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$0 and Water Districts: Consolidated (SW00) \$95.03, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0; Total:\$111,262.39
Carried

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – Not present, no report

Assessor – Tina presented a report stating all of the exemptions have been prepped and are going to be mailed the week of September 10th. All sales are up to date and she will continue to inspect and value new construction.

Building Office – the following building report was presented by Christine Falkowski of the Planning & Building Department:

Justin Gerstung	7238 Cedar	Sunroom
Elaine Frey	6012 Cummings	Windows
Richard Rebmann	5974 Cummings	Lean-to
Paul Kubasiewicz	5650 Cummings	Shed
Robert Daniel	11481 Rapids	Permit renewal
Eric Pirson	11732 Rapids	Permit renewal

The Town Board accepted the building report as presented.

Town Clerk- To date 233 new dog licenses have been completed since June due to the enumeration. School tax bills should be arriving after the Labor Day holiday.

Town Attorney – Nothing to report

COUNCILPERSONS:

Jendrowski- Not present

Dugan – Nothing to report

Burke – he attended the joint facility committee meeting regarding security issues.

Morlacci- she reviewed the last meeting with Supervisor Cummings. She took questions from residents regarding the new lights at Main & North Millgrove and the bike path project.

Supervisor- The July Supervisor’s Report is on file with the Town Clerk. He attended the joint facility committee meeting, a meeting with the grant writers, the Association of Erie County Governments meeting in Eden, he has been working on the budget with the Bookkeeper and he attended a bike path construction meeting. The project is going well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Buildings - nothing

Planning – there will be a planned unit development meeting on Tuesday at 2pm and a planning board meeting on Thursday regarding the special use permit for Michael Shields.

Water/Sewer – the grant application is being mailed out next week and they are asking for personal letters from residents in the project. Scott will coordinate with Supervisor Cummings on setting a meeting with ADESA and addressing repair issues to Sewer District 1.

Grants – CDBG grant at the Senior Center is finished. All the equipment has been installed and is up and running. The final reports have been sent to the County. Generator grant- will pass a resolution to go out to bid tonight and the trailway project is progressing. Senator Ranzenhofer has secured a DASNY grant for the town parks and we will be receiving more information soon.

Budget – the “as submitted wish lists” would put us 20% over last year’s budget so, he is now working on cuts to make it a more realistic budget. The Board will address the tax cap over ride resolution at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval- LOSAP Disability request:

A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilwoman Morlacci confirming the determination of eligibility of Michael Soika to receive a one-time payment from the LOSAP program in the amount as specified in the notice from Penflex, Inc. and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the authorization letter to be sent to the Emerling Agency, LLC in the form as presented by Penflex, Inc.

(Resolution attached) Cummings-Aye, Dugan -Aye, Burke-Aye, Jendrowski- Absent, Morlacci-Aye
Carried

Authorization to Bid Generator Project:

A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for the purchase and installation of a natural gas fueled generator for the Town Hall in accordance with the approved bid specifications, with bids due by September 20, 2018 at 2:00pm.

(Resolution attached) Cummings-Aye, Dugan -Aye, Burke-Aye, Jendrowski- Absent, Morlacci-Aye
Carried

Approval- Opt Out of Knox Box Requirement:

A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilwoman Morlacci approving the request by Richard Walser, owner of 13677 Main Rd, to opt out of the knox box requirement for the businesses located at that location (Kaboodles restaurant & auto repair shop).

Cummings-Aye, Dugan -Aye, Burke-Aye, Jendrowski- Absent, Morlacci-Aye Carried

Privilege of the Floor/Question Period: No one spoke

There will be no meeting next week due to the Labor Day holiday.

There being no further business to come before the board for the regular meeting a motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Dugan to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:28pm.
Carried

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn D. Izydorczyk, RMC, Town Clerk