

Newstead Town Board Meeting- May 11, 2020

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, May 11, 2020 at 7:37pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present: David Cummings- Supervisor
Edmund Burke- Councilman
John Jendrowski- Councilman
Joseph Dugan- Councilman
Brendan Neill- Town Attorney – by phone
Emily Janicz- Assistant Town Attorney – by phone
Michael Bassanello- Highway Supt.
Jennifer Herberger- Deputy Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present except Councilwoman Morlacci.

Councilman Jendrowski led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the regular meeting held on April 27, 2020 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Jendrowski to approve as presented.
Carried

Agenda Changes – None

Communications – The Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A notice was received from Charter Communications announcing programming changes.

The first quarter DCO report was received and distributed to the board.

We received notice that a joint proposal and opportunity for public comment has been filed by NextEra Energy to the NYS Public Service Commission.

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

Work Session: The Supervisor reported no work session was held last week but the following items were discussed prior to tonight’s meeting: water & sewer project updates, planning item updates, building issue updates, grant updates, plus any other items brought before the Board.

Agenda Items Question Period: None

Approval of Bills – Councilman Dugan reported that the Abstract(s) from Batch(es) #2031 have been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch(es) #2034 for payment. Vouchers on this abstract(s) numbered 428-478, totaling \$140,020.46. Councilman Jendrowski seconded to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batch(es) #2034:
General Fund (A)-\$17,459.04, General Fund- Outside Village (B)-\$, Highway (DA) -\$7,448.34, Highway: Outside Village (DB)-\$, CAP-SEW 1 Rehab (HAR)-\$0, CAP- Bike Path (HTG)-\$0, CAP- Water Improvement (HW)-\$0, CAP Water-Downey (HW01)-\$0, CAP- Water- Cedar (HW02)-\$0, CAP- Water-Knapp- (HW03)-\$0, Drainage (SD)-\$0, Fire Protection (SF)-\$87,420.13, Refuse (SR)-\$26,038.95, Sewer #1 Fund (SS)-\$306.75, Sewer District #2 (SS02)-\$501.50, Sewer District #3 (SS03)-\$621.25, Trust & Agency(TA)-\$0 and Water Districts: Consolidated (SW00)-\$224.50, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0; Total:\$140,020.46
Carried

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – the highway superintendent reported that a cross culvert on McNeeley Rd. was replaced and they cleaned the paths and downed trees in the new park.

Assessor – no report

Building Office – no report

Town Clerk- nothing at this time

Town Attorney(s) – Brendan reported that the assessor reached out to him regarding grievance day. He is suggesting that she use “Go To Meetings”.

COUNCILPERSONS:

Jendrowski- he attended a library meeting and Christine stated there is limited maintenance being done on the building and he spoke to Louis Henley regarding cars parking on Cummings Road near the bike path. Mike will speak to Erie County to have No Parking signs put up.

Dugan – nothing at this time

Burke – nothing at this time

Morlacci- absent

Supervisor- the April Supervisor’s Report is on file with the Town Clerk, he received the 2019 audit report and it has been emailed to the board. Everything was good and hard copies will be available next week. He has been working on Covid-19 issues and attending between 3-4 meeting a week between Erie County and the Supervisors. The court clerks are now able to be in the office to process paperwork but there is no word on when court will resume. He thanked the food pantry for the food distribution that was at the Senior Center on Thursday and he announced the county has received 500,000 masks that will be distributed to the towns based on population. They are discussing ideas as to how to get them out to the public.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Buildings- nothing new

Planning- nothing new

Water/Sewer- nothing new

Grants- nothing new

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution-Approve lease of Limerick Hall to Friends of Limerick Inc.:

A motion was made by Councilman Jendrowski, seconded by Councilman Dugan approving the lease of Limerick Hall at 12579 Clarence Center Road to the Friends of Limerick Inc. for the purpose of restoring it to a one room schoolhouse.

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

Approval- Cancel Work Sessions:

A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Jendrowski approving the cancellation of the work sessions on 5/18/2020 due to the COVID-19 emergency requirements.

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

Privilege of the Floor/Question Period: No one spoke

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 8:01pm.

Carried

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Herberger, Deputy Town Clerk