**3-9-2017 FEBRUARY REGULAR MEETING**

Present:

Councilman Leonard R. Hochadel

Councilman Douglas J. Morrell

Councilman Mandy Quinn-Stojek

Supervisor Beverly A. Gambino

Absent:

Councilman Cheryl L. Earl

Also Present:

Highway Superintendent Donald Hopkins

Town Clerk Jennifer L Bray

Approx. 10 guests

Supervisor Gambino called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, with the Pledge to the Flag led by Gerard Whittington.

The Supervisor stated that the first item on the agenda was the approval of the February 9, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes. **On a motion by Quinn-Stojek, seconded by Morrell, the minutes were approved as submitted. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent**.

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item is for payment of the bills. **On a motion by Hochadel, seconded by Morrell, Warrant #3 of 2017, including vouchers #96 through #160, totaling $297,824.39, of which $53,336.34 was for the General Fund, $22,001.89 was for the Highway Fund, $221,507.49 was for the Fire Protection Fund and $978.67 was for the Street Lighting Fund was approved for payment. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Departmental Reports were as follows:

Supervisor Gambino stated that she was going to have Disaster Preparedness Coordinator Gerard Whittington go first to talk about resent power outages due to the recent wind storms. Mr. Whittington stated that as of 3 p.m. there were still a hundred or so people within the Town that did not have power. He said he didn’t have a good answer for the time of restoration. He stated that as of a 3 p.m. conference call with NYSEG that they have three priorities that they are working on first. The first being getting power stations that were damaged fixed. The second is down wires. They are keeping track of down wires and need to make sure none of them are “live”. The third of infrastructure such as septic systems for housing developments. He noted that if anyone was in need the Morton’s Corners Fire Company was opening as a warming shelter. He also stated that NYSEG was not giving any restoration estimate and that he was waiting to hear from them about setting up stations for people to pick up water and dry ice. He stated that this has brought to light a need for updated functional needs forms so that Fire Company would be better able to help those in need during situations like this.

Supervisor Gambino then stated that she had a letter from Paul Chatfield. He is looking for authorization from the Town Board to put the bids out for public bid for the Town Hall repairs. **There for on a motion from Morrell, seconded by Hochadel, authorization was given to Paul Chatfield to put the building repairs out for bid. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Next Supervisor Gambino read a report from Councilman Earl. She had asked for the current Fire Company roster. After going over the list it was found that some people needed to be taken off and that there are six people that should have insurance that are not on the list. Supervisor Gambino spoke with the Krissy Kittleson regarding it and Krissy is going to get it taken care of. Gerard Whittington stated that the Fire Company was having a training on Saturday and the forms would be handed out then.

Councilman Hochadel stated that he would like to do the Music in the Park again this summer. He would like to start working on it now. He stated that he would like to move it to Tuesday nights so that it won’t conflict with Delevan’s concert night. **There for on a motion from Gambino, seconded by Quinn-Stojek, Councilman Hochadel was giving permission to get information for Music in the Park. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Councilman Morrell stated the he still had not been able to get a hold of Nancy Pugh for the Rabies clinic. He then stated that he got ahold of the VNA for the flu clinic and they are not doing flu clinics anymore because you can get a flu shot so many places. He stated that there are so many places to get a shot that he didn’t know if we should keep doing it or not. He said he had a list from Supervisor Gambino of other places that do flu clinics. Supervisor Gambino stated the list came from the Hospital and that we still have time to work on it. Councilman Morrell also stated he spoke with Waste Management and they are still on board with helping with a flu clinic.

Councilman Quinn had nothing to report.

Highway Superintendent Don Hopkins reported that thanks to Supervisor Gambino, who had to make a few phone calls, we have a check from Erie County for our snow plowing contract. He stated that he sent his plowing report to the County on March first and that payment is due by April 15th. He then stated that he spoke with Mike Mahar from Waste Management about setting up Big Trash pickup. He would like to do trash pickup on April 25th and 26th so that it will coincide with the Hazardous drop off at Waste Management on April 29th. He then noted that last month the purchase of the new mower was approved. He delivered the letter of approval to Dan Burgus from Z & M and said that it should be delivered next month. He then noted that the Fireman’s Pancake Breakfast was coming up on March 19th.

The Supervisor then moved on to Public Comment:

The first was from Chaffee resident Owen Stacy. He asked what was the reason the roofs are going to be replaced on the shelters at Manion Park? Superintendent Hopkins stated that they replaced the shingles on one of the shelters about three years ago but the roofs on the other two shelters are about 40 years old and are starting to peel up. He felt it was better to replace them now before there is more damage done.

The next was from Gene Parzych of Allen Rd. He stated that he is the contact from the Caledonia Fish Hatchery for the Cattaraugus Creek. He stated that the truck to stock the creek will be coming on the 24th of March. He stated that they will be stocking about 4000 fish. He noted that you can fish the Cattaraugus Creek 12 months a year. He then noted that the Scoby Dam bypass project postponed. He also noted that the National Fuel gas Pipeline that is coming through Sardinia is now also on hold until 2018. Supervisor Gambino asked if anyone could come help do the creek stocking. He said yes it’s open to everyone.

The last public comment came from resident Lia Oprea. She stated that she wanted to let everyone know about two events that happen with National Fuel and how they may affect Sardinia. The first a gas leak that happened on February 7. It caused a plume of gas over Elma, Marilla and East Aurora. She noted that there was a lack of information from National Fuel to those towns during this event. She asked for the Gerard Whittington and Doug Morrell to look into what the disaster plan is from National Fuel for the Northern Access Pipeline. The second item a gas leak that is in the Town of Franklinville that National Fuel felt was in “the middle of nowhere”. So she wondered what protections Sardinia would have from the sort of things. She provided the board with copies of the information she spoke about.

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was the approval of two new Fireman. The first being Jami Smith and the second being Robin Root. **The following resolution, to be known as Resolution #8 of 2017, was moved for adoption by Hochadel, seconded by Quinn-Stojek:**

**RESOLUTION #8 – 2017**

**APPOINTMENT OF CHAFFEE-SARDINIA VOLUNTEER FIREMAN**

**WHEREAS,** the Sardinia Town Board is in receipt of the application of,

**Jami L. Smith**, residing at 12169 Savage Road, Sardinia NY, and

**Robin A. Root**, residing at 10790 Matteson Corners Road, Holland NY

All whom are residents of the Town of Sardinia and,

All whom have applied for a volunteer position as a Volunteer Firefighter to the Chaffee-Sardinia Memorial Fire Company, and

**WHEREAS,** the Sardinia Town Board supports and approves these appointment(s),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Town Board approves the appointment of **Jami L. Smith and Robin A. Root** as Volunteer Fireman to the Chaffee-Sardinia Memorial Fire Department.

**Upon roll call vote: Hochadel, aye, Morrell, aye, Quinn, aye, Gambino, aye. So resolved, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was the approval of the Shelter Lease Agreement with Duane DeGoiler. **The following resolution, to be known as Resolution #9 of 2017, was moved for adoption by Quinn-Stojek, seconded by Morrell:**

**RESOLUTION #9– 2017**

**APPROVAL OF SHELTER LEASE AGREEMENT WITH**

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER**

**WHEREAS**, the lease entered into between the Town and Mr. Duane DeGolier to provide care and shelter to dogs seized by the Town’s Dog Control Officer expires on or about March 8, 2017;

**WHEREAS,** the Sardinia Town Board has received and reviewed a copy of the current lease; and

**WHEREAS,** the Town has been satisfied with the services provided by Mr. DeGolier and approves the lease as stands, and;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Supervisor is authorized to execute the Shelter Lease Agreement between the Town of Sardinia and Mr. Duane DeGolier for the services to provide care and shelter to dogs seized by the Dog Control Officer.

**Upon roll call vote: Hochadel, aye, Morrell, aye, Quinn, aye, Gambino, aye. So resolved, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was the approval of the Application of funds from Meals on Wheels. It is the same amount that they request every year. **The following resolution, to be known as Resolution #10 of 2017, was moved for adoption by Quinn-Stojek, seconded by Morrell:**

**RESOLUTION #10– 2017**

**APPLICATION FOR FUNDS FROM MEALS ON WHEELS FOR WESTERN NEW YORK**

**WHEREAS,** The Town of Sardinia has supported Meals on Wheels for numerous years and

**WHEREAS,** Meals on Wheels for Western New York mission remains the same “seeking to take care of the homebound in our community and keep our neighborhoods strong” and

**WHEREAS, since** 1969, Meals on Wheels in WNY has taken pride in their ability to enrich the lives of seniors by offering nutritious food and a friendly visit, and

**WHEREAS,** Meals on Wheels is facing a double-edged sword of explosive increases in food costs and increasing demand for services, and

**WHEREAS,** it costs Meals on Wheels approximately $2900 per person to provide one year of meal service based on 2016 numbers, and

**WHEREAS,** based on 2016 numbers 3,252 meals where served in the Town of Sardinia for a total value of $18,569.00, and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Sardinia Town Board generously donates **$2,000.00** to Meals on Wheels for Western New York Inc. to support our residents who rely on Meals on Wheels for their daily nutritional needs.

**Upon roll call vote: Hochadel, aye, Morrell, aye, Quinn, aye, Gambino, aye. So resolved, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was the approval of new appointments for this summer. The first was for Danielle Scott as Pool Director. The Supervisor stated that she has been work for the Town since 2011 and would like to return this summer. The other is for Mark Stevens as a caretaker to help Albert Hansen this summer. She also noted that Mark Had worked here for a number of years. **There for on a motion from Hochadel, seconded by Morrell, Danielle Scott was appointed Pool Director for the 2017 Summer Recreation Season, at the hourly rate of $14.50 and Mark Stevens was appointed to return in early to mid-April 2017 as a Seasonal Caretaker at the hourly rate of $15.87. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Supervisor Gambino stated that the last item on the agenda was brought to her from the Code Enforcement officer, Gene Degman. She stated that when the large solar farm law was passed it didn’t include any fees for the Special Use Permit or for the Building Permit. Gene Degman recommend $5000.00 for the Special Use Permit and $.02½ per square foot of covered acre. This would be a one-time fee. She noted that this is the same amount that the Town of Eden is charging. **The following resolution, to be known as Resolution #11 of 2017, was moved for adoption by Hochadel, seconded by Morrell:**

**RESOLUTION #11– 2017**

**APPROVAL OF FEES FOR LARGE SOLAR FARMS**

**WHEREAS,** the Sardinia Town Code Enforcer has asked for fee’s to be associated with the Large Solar Farms, and

**WHEREAS,** after discussing the fee’s with the Sardinia Code Enforcement officer and looking at other Town’s fees for their Large Solar Farms, and

**WHEREAS,** it has been suggested that the Town of Sardinia charge $5,000.00 (five thousand dollars) for a Special Use fee for large solar farms that come before the Planning Board, and a fee of $.021/2 (two and half cents) per square foot of covered area for the Building Permit, and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Sardinia Town Board approves these Building Permit and Special use fees for Large Solar Arrays/Farms.

**Upon roll call vote: Hochadel, aye, Morrell, aye, Quinn, aye, Gambino, aye. So resolved, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

The Supervisor asked if there anyone had any other items. **There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Quinn-Stojek, seconded by Morrell, the meeting was adjourned at 7.01 PM. Carried, 5 ayes, 0 noes.**

Respectfully Submitted

Town Clerk