

Newstead Town Board Meeting- April 13, 2020

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, April 13, 2020 at 7:30pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present: David Cummings- Supervisor
Edmund Burke- Councilman
Joseph Dugan- Councilman
Brendan Neill- Town Attorney via phone
Dawn Izydorczak- Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present except Councilman Jendrowski due to a death in the family and Councilwoman Morlacci due to work and for social distancing reasons.

Supervisor Cummings led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the regular meeting held on March 23, 2020 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke to approve as presented.
Carried

Agenda Changes – none

Communications – The Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A copy of a letter from the NYSDOT to Senator Mike Ranzenhofer & Assemblyman Mike Norris regarding the DOT's decision to maintain the speed limit of 50mph on Hake Rd based on the speed study's done.

A letter from the Village of Akron notifying the town of the new Sewer District rates for districts 1, 2 & 3 effective July 15, 2020.

An email notification was received from the Association of Towns that the annual Highway Superintendents school has been cancelled for this year due to COVID-19 pandemic concerns.

A letter was received from the LL Tillman Post No. 900 announcing that this year's Memorial Day Services are cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic concerns.

A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke 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: no one present to speak

Budget transfers: a motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke to approve the budget transfer(s) as presented in a memo from Bookkeeper Colleen Salmon dated 4/13/20.
Carried

Approval of Bills – Councilman Dugan reported that the Abstract(s) from Batch(es) #2026 have been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch(es) #2030 for payment. Vouchers on this abstract(s) numbered 339-392, totaling \$494,523.75. Councilman Burke seconded to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batch(es) #2030:
General Fund (A)-\$27,420.82, General Fund- Outside Village (B)-\$835.12, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB)-\$1,509.11, 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)-\$296,250.00, Refuse (SR)-\$25,820.18, Sewer #1 Fund (SS)-\$1,341.75, Sewer District #2 (SS02)-\$339.50, Sewer

District #3 (SS03)-\$607.75, Trust & Agency(TA)-\$0 and Water Districts: Consolidated (SW00)-\$59.52, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$140,340.00; Total:\$494,523.75 Carried

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – not present. The highway department is working 3 on, 3 off alternating days.

Assessor – a report from Tina read by the Supervisor stated informal hearings are going well and the phones have not been bad. She has been able to keep up with phone calls and emails without any issues. She will be wrapping up informal hearings the last week of April and has plenty of time slots still available.

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

David Panaro	11572 Hiller	Remodel/renovation
Norman Naab	4600 Crittenden	Generator
Alexandria Whiting	8265 Cedar	Generator
Richard Packman	4818 N Millgrove	Roof

The Town Board accepted the building report as presented.

Town Clerk- nothing at this time

Town Attorney(s) – Brendan has been working with CEO Miller on several local campgrounds issues and contractors that are violating the “non-essential” personnel work requirements as imposed by the Governor.

COUNCILPERSONS:

Jendrowski- not present

Dugan – nothing to report

Burke – nothing to report

Morlacci- not present

Supervisor- he continues to work daily addressing COVID-19 issues with the Emergency Management Coordinators, Brendan, Dawn & Dave Miller. He will be reissuing a State of Emergency declaration for the Town for another 30 days on April 16, 2020.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Buildings- nothing new

Planning- nothing new

Water/Sewer- Scott reported via email that the ADESA pump station project has been tested and is complete. We are waiting on additional information from Erie County on the waterline project. The Cedar St water pump station location is currently on hold.

Grants- the final paperwork has been submitted to the State on the trail ways grant. There is nothing new on any of the other outstanding grants.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments- Summer Parks Laborers:

A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Dugan approving the appointment of Robert Massaro and Dan Carroll as part time summer parks/highway department employees.

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

Approval- Cancel Work Sessions:

A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Burke approving the cancellation of the work session on April 20th due to the COVID-19 emergency requirements.

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

Privilege of the Floor/Question Period: no one present to speak

Supervisor Cummings asked to close the meeting with a moment of silence for local farmer & past Newstead Fireman Don Caple on his passing this past weekend. Don is the father-in-law of Councilman Jendrowski. Our thoughts & prayers are with his family.

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 7:48pm.

Carried

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