

Newstead Town Board Meeting- January 27, 2020

The Board entered executive session at 7:30pm to discuss contractual issues and personnel issues on a motion from Councilman Jendrowski, seconded by Councilman Dugan. Carried Unanimously

The Board exited executive session on a motion by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilwoman Morlacci at 7:45pm, having taken no action. Carried Unanimously

A regular meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 7:46pm at the Newstead Town Hall.

Present: David Cummings- Supervisor
John Jendrowski- Councilman
Edmund Burke- Councilman
Joseph Dugan- Councilman
Jeannine Morlacci- Councilwoman
Michael Bassanello- Highway Supt.
Brendan Neill- Town Attorney
Emily Janicz- Assistant Town Attorney
Scott Rybarczyk- Town Engineer
Dawn Izydorczak- Town Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present.

Town Clerk Izydorczak led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the regular meeting held on January 13, 2020 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilwoman Morlacci to approve as presented. Carried Unanimously

Agenda Changes – none

Communications – The Clerk presented the following correspondence:

A fundraising flyer was received from the Friends of Limerick.

An email was received from Julie Brady suggesting to both the Town and Village Boards a project for a dog park at the old Jaycees field on upper John St.

A letter was received from Akron Little League Football requesting use of the Veteran's Park fields & facilities for their 2020 fall football season beginning on July 27th continuing through the week of November 13th.

A letter from Justices Freeman & Campbell informing the Town Board their 2019 court records are ready and available for audit.

A packet of information was received from the Buffalo-Niagara Partnership unveiling their 2020 Advocacy Agenda.

A notice of application submission was received from the Heritage Wind Project.

A letter from the NYSDEC informing the Town that they have not been selected to receive a grant through the EPG program to conduct a Sewer Expansion Study in the Town.

The annual Tree & Shrub Seedling Program packet was received from Erie County Soil & Water Conservation. Packets are available thru the Town Clerk's office.

A letter was received from the Department of State notifying the town that Local Law #4 of 2019 was received and filed on December 30, 2019.

A copy of a letter sent by Legislator Ed Rath to the NYS DOT was received regarding his input on requesting a reduction in speed on Howe Rd.

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

Work Session: The Supervisor reported that no work session was held last week due to the holiday but the following items were discussed prior to tonight’s meeting: water & sewer project updates, planning item updates, building issues updates, grant updates, highway items, NFC service award program, gas well, drainage, courts and insurance renewals, plus any other items brought before the Board.

Agenda Items Question Period: no one spoke

Budget transfers: a motion was made by Councilwoman Morlacci, seconded by Councilman Jendrowski to approve the budget transfer(s) as presented in a memo from Bookkeeper Colleen Salmon dated 1/27/20. Carried Unanimously

Approval of Bills – Councilman Jendrowski reported that the Abstract(s) from Batch(es) #2000 for 2019 and 2001 plus wire transfer for 2020 have been reviewed with the previously un-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch(es) #2005 for 2019 & 2006 for 2020 for payment. Vouchers on this abstract(s) numbered from 1482-1490 (2019) and 21-60 (2020), totaling \$113,942.19. Councilwoman Morlacci seconded to approve payment as follows:

Abstract Batch(es) #2005 for 2019 & 2006 for 2020:
General Fund (A)-\$21,144.89, General Fund- Outside Village (B)-\$489.62, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB)-\$66,701.74, CAP-SEW 1 Rehab (HAR)-\$24,700.00, 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)-\$0, Refuse (SR)-\$0, Sewer #1 Fund (SS)-\$721.28, Sewer District #2 (SS02)-\$92.97, Sewer District #3 (SS03)-\$0, Trust & Agency(TA)-\$0 and Water Districts: Consolidated (SW00)-\$91.69, (SW1) \$0, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$0, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$0, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$0, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0;
Total:\$113,942.19 Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway – Mike reported his crews have fixed mailboxes and delivered recycling totes, repaired and painted park benches, removed guard rails on Bike Path, plowed Evergreen Cemetery, completed plowing and salting of roads as necessary, installed 300’ of snow fence along the Bike Path, picked up 30 tires from Stage Road, repaired #7 for an electrical problem, repaired brake cam on #10, oiled sander chains, replaced both kin pins on #3 and repaired apron chain for #8, trimmed and cut trees in Vet’s Park, field ditched Brandl property for 723’ and road ditched 150’ on Dye Road and 550’ on McNeeley Road.

Assessor – no report presented

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

Margaret McGowan	12594 Buckwheat	Pole Barn
Michael Bonk	4407 Ayers Rd	One Family home
Sandra Morgan-Bassanello	12255 Buckwheat	Generator
Brandi Stoldt	4909 S Newstead	Generator

The Town Board accepted the building report as presented.

Town Clerk- although County-Town tax bills were received early and were in process, we received word from the County on Friday Jan. 24th that those bills are wrong. We are now awaiting new tax bills to be delivered by the County and will have to start all over again with processing.

Town Attorney(s) – nothing at this time

COUNCILPERSONS:

Jendrowski- he met with Judge Freeman, Judge Campbell and Sandy regarding bailiffs and he received a lot of good input from them. He also attended the ZBA work session and hearing.

Dugan – he got an update from Chief Wideman on how everything is going so far this year. It appears to be going well. The Newstead Fire Co officers met with Akron Fire Co officers and did walk throughs at Niagara Label and the Akron Airport. He also attended the NextEra meeting that was held this evening.

Burke – he attended the NextEra meeting this evening, the JMF meeting, the ZBA meeting and the CAC meeting.

Morlacci- she went on a service trip with 12 Akron students to the Dominican Republic and while there the students helped build a wall at a nutrition center. The trip was meant to build leadership and work ethics in the students. She enjoyed working with the students and sharing the experience with them.

Supervisor- the December Supervisors report is on file with the Town Clerk. He attended the NextEra meeting this evening and the JMF meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Buildings- a new sensor is needed for library sidewalk. Tolson will be out to install it.

Planning- the NextEra meeting was held tonight, discussions on Main Rd Dr request and a meeting is coming up next week with a new potential solar farm project vendor.

Water/Sewer- the State has made no reply on grant to date. Supervisor Cummings will contact them for an update. The Cedar Street pump station proposal is coming tomorrow and the ADESA main line is clean and they are still waiting for the pumps to be delivered.

Grants- nothing new

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval- Veteran's Park Use-Akron Little League Football:

A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Jendrowski approving the use of Veteran's Park for the Akron Little League Football 2020 season from July 27th – November 13th. Cummings-Aye, Dugan-Aye, Burke-Aye, Jendrowski-Aye, Morlacci-Aye Carried Unanimously

Approval- Lateral Restriction Exception- 4707 Ayers Rd:

A motion was made by Councilman Burke, seconded by Councilman Dugan approving the application for a lateral restriction exception hardship for construction of a new build home in water district #5 at 4707 Ayers Rd as submitted by owner Michael Bonk, based on supporting documentation provided.

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

Approval- 2019 Service Award Program for Newstead Fire Co.:

A motion was made by Councilman Dugan, seconded by Councilman Jendrowski approving the submitted documentation for the 2019 LOSAP Service Award Program for volunteer firefighters for Newstead Fire Company.

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

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 Councilwoman Morlacci to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05pm. Carried Unanimously

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