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TOWN OF TRUXTON

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Town Supervisor
Lloyd G. Sutton Jr.

Town Clerk/Collector
Megan Morrison

Highway Superintendent
Jeffrey Reakes

Town Councilpersons
PJ Dwyer
Carlton Young
Molly K. McDermott
Gus Wehbe

Truxton Town Board Meeting Minutes October 17, 2018 7:00 p.m.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Truxton Town Board Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Lloyd Sutton, Jr. at the Truxton Town Office, Historic Train Depot, on October 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Gus Wehbe, Carlton Young, P.J. Dwyer, Molly McDermott and Lloyd Sutton, Jr.

Others Present: Stephanie Potter, Jeff Reakes

Pledge to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September's minutes corrections were made by Gus Wehbe. First motion to approve with corrections was made by PJ Dwyer. Second motion was made by Molly McDermott. All in favor.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Lloyd Sutton stated the Senior Center Manager position was filled Tuesday, October 9th by a woman who used to work at the Scott Center and who also has high hopes for the future of Truxton's Senior Center. The Board is waiting on a questionnaire and additional information requested at September's meeting from Liz Haskins.

RESOLUTION TO PAY FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TRUCK FROM RESERVE

The Highway Superintendent has received the town's new truck. The Board agreed to pay for the truck out of the Highway Reserve fund.

RESOLUTION

The Town of Truxton will fund the purchase of the 2019 Ford F550 of \$58,078.63 from the Machinery Reserve account and advertise for permissive referendum to transfer the same amount from Equipment Reserve back into Highway Reserve fund. Motion was made by Gus Wehbe. Second motion was made by Carlton Young. All in favor.

Jeff Reakes posted 2005 Ford F450 truck for sale and highest bid received was \$6300.00. Gus Wehbe thought the bid was too low and to hold the truck until Spring. Jeff mentioned possible purchase of new sander (valued around \$6000) for 2019 truck and selling 05 truck

with old sander could generate higher bids. Jeff is to research pricing for new sander for November meeting. Jeff also stated the Highway Department has an ACDC Gas Welder and Slide in Sander for sale at the Highway Garage. Motion to declare 2005 450 truck, gas welder and sander as surplus was made by Molly McDermott. Second motion was made by PJ Dwyer. All in favor.

REVIEW OF 2018 PROPOSED TOWN BUDGET

Budget review:

Town Justice Contractual. Judge Sutton proposed to increase the budget from \$1200 to \$3200 to afford a new security service. Mentioned other towns have a retired officer at court in case of emergencies. Judge Sutton stated a Cortland County Officer is an option too however they might charge traveling fees on top of hourly fees (20 minutes to and from the Municipal Building). The Board agreed on increasing the budget to \$2200 and looking for a retired officer who lives in Truxton or close by. Town Justice Clerk budget decreased from \$3625 to \$3000. Rita Dawson (Court Clerk) has agreed to stay for at least a year.

Assessor proposed Contractual budget from \$12000 to \$16000. Lloyd stated he was going to research.

Bookkeeping salary proposed budget was raised from \$15,793 to \$16110 (2%). The Board agreed on increasing to \$16188. (2.50%)

Town Clerk / Tax Collector requested salary raise from \$9000 to \$10000 (11.11%). The Board discussed and approved an increased budget to \$9225 (2.5%). Town Clerk Contractual was increased from \$100 to \$700 to purchase desktop scanner for newly purchased backup program Laserfiche. Scanner needs to be large enough for all documents at the Depot including photos in the Historical Room. Board approved.

Attorney proposed Contractual budget was decreased from \$8000 to \$5000. Board approved.

Town Office Equipment proposed budget increase from \$1000 to \$2000. Board approved. Data Processing budget was increased from \$2600 to \$3000. Board approved. Unallocated Insurance proposed budget was raised from \$25000 to \$26000. Board approved.

Code Enforcement requested increase from \$3600 to \$3672 (2%). Board denied.

Highway Superintendent requested salary raise from \$46900 to \$50000 (6.61%). Stated he was already maintaining the mowing in town (budget of \$4000) and suggested taking out of budget and adding to salary. The Board discussed and approved an increase to \$48550 (3.52%). The Board decided to keep the mowing under a separate line item.

Highway Superintendent – Transfer Station, requested salary increase from \$5300 to \$5800 (9.43%). The board approved an increase to \$5450. (2.83%)

Highway employee – Requested increase of \$1.00/hr (5.16%). Board discussed and approved \$0.50/hr increase. (2.58%). Increased from \$19.37/hr to \$19.87/hr.

The Board decided to keep mowing under a separate line item.

Street lighting proposed budget from \$5000 to \$6000 to cover change to LED lighting throughout town. The Board approved.

Tennis and basketball court reserve is \$5000. The board approved an increase from \$1000 to \$2000 to total \$7000 for updates to be made to the court pertaining to Suit Kote bid of \$6300 to repave/resurface blacktop.

Contractual proposed Celebrations budget was zeroed out. Gus suggested adding \$300 to purchase new flags for the street lights in town. The Board approved.

The board approved a \$0.50 raise for Transfer Station attendants increasing the budget from \$12000 to \$12500. Transfer Station Contractual proposed budget from \$24500 to \$27500 was approved by the Board based on County increasing fees from \$65/ton to \$80/ton.

Medical (health) Insurance increased 5% from \$18710.64 to \$23,500. Approved by the Board.

An executive meeting to discuss employee performance was called by Gus Wehbe. Second motion was made by PJ Dwyer. All in favor. Meeting lasted from 9:38pm to 11:15pm.

Public Hearing to be held November 7th at the Municipal Building at 7pm. Motion to approve was made by Molly McDermott. Second motion was made by Gus Wehbe. All in favor.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS/SUPERVISORS REPORT

The monthly bills were passed around to the board. The highway bills were approved by Gus Wehbe. Second motion was made by Carlton Young. Motion to approve the general bills was made by Molly McDermott. Second motion was made by PJ Dwyer. All in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion made by Molly McDermott. Second Motion made by PJ Dwyer. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:40p.m.