

Regular Board Meeting of the Town of Poland Board February 10, 2015

Town Supervisor Snow called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. with the pledge to the flag. In attendance were Town Council members Kathleen Stanton, Stevan Hatfield, Norman Gustafson and Terry Walker. Also present were Attorney Paul Webb, Jr., Highway Superintendent Larry Mee, Assessor Dennis Stornes, Code Officer Alan Gustafson, and Zoning Officer George Gustafson, town residents Roland Swanson, Cindy Parsons, Steve Stanton, Legislator Ron Lemon and Post-Journal stringer Rose Mary Carver.

Supervisor Snow asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the January 13th Regular Town Board Meeting. There being none, *Councilwoman Stanton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hatfield to accept the minutes as written.*
Ayes: Snow, Stanton, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker

****First Privilege of Floor** -**

1) Town resident Roland Swanson thanked the town board for the surprise in honoring him with a plaque for his years of service at the January Board meeting. Mr. Swanson also presented the board with information on Falconer Regional Fund through the Chautauqua County Community Foundation. This fund is designated strictly for the Falconer School District. This year the Axel W. Carlson "Unsung Hero" Award will be present to a deserving local hero. The recipient of the award will receive \$1000 and \$500 for a charitable organization of their choice. Nomination Forms are available on the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation's website at www.crcfonline.org and at the Town Clerk's office. Deadline for nominations is April 1, 2015.

LEGISLATOR LEMON

- 1) Chautauqua County Clerk, Larry Barmore is proposing to move the DMV offices from downtown Jamestown to the Northcrest Business Park on Fluvanna Avenue. The reasons for the move are as followed; the layout of the current location is inefficient for the operations, the computers can be seen by the customers (which is frowned on by NYS), customers waiting in line block the entry door, the intake desk is not a secure location so cash transactions cannot be made there, and parking is difficult to find in the downtown location. This proposal will be voted on at the next few Legislature meetings this month. There will be more on this topic to follow.
- 2) The airport retained the renters so there will not be additional losses for the county.

LEGAL

- 1) *Councilwoman Stanton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Walker to pay for the Accessibility Project; the board authorized a five year statutory installment bond for \$154,200.00.*
Ayes: Snow, Stanton, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) *Library - everything running as normal.*
- 2) *Town Hall - construction project is on schedule. The next construction progress meeting is this Thursday (2/12) at 9 am.*
- 3) *Kennedy Pride- next meeting is Wednesday, February 18th at the Kennedy Free*

Library. The 100 Club, "Pizza for Flags" is Saturday, March 7th at the Kennedy Fire Hall. John Crandall and Chad Sischo will be in charge of the Flag Retirement Ceremony which will be held on Wednesday, June 17th.

4) Accessibility Committee- nothing new to report. *Councilwoman Stanton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hatfield to include the contractor's request for payment #2 on the Accessibility Project in tonight's general bills.*

Ayes: Snow, Stanton, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker

5) Comprehensive Plan - Steering Committee- next meeting is on Monday, February 23 at 7 p.m. Supervisor Snow has been working with Lisa Miller from Small Town Planning in regards to the plans drawn up for the main street improvements. More to follow on this issue.

6) Drybrook project - Lisa from Senator Kathy Young's office has been in contact with Supervisor Snow and Superintendent Mee in regards to the Dry Brook Project. The agreement for the project was between the Army Corps of Engineers, the DEC and the Town of Poland. In October, the Army Corps of Engineer issued a permit to do the work but a lack of funds from the DEC resulted in a delay in the project. Senator Young's office will keep in touch with us on this topic.

NEW BUSINESS

1) 2014 AUD Report has been submitted to the State with no errors. A copy of the report was sent to M&T Bank. The Town of Poland was the first town to submit the AUD Report.

2) Sent money in to fund HSA Accounts. Supervisor Snow will reach out to everyone once money is in the accounts.

****Second Privilege of Floor**** - no response

TOWN CLERK

1) Tax Collection is doing well... today was the first dead line.

2) Town resident Elsie Vanhise requested plowing be done in Riverside Cemetery. Superintendent Mee stated the cemetery will only be plowed as needed due to Highway Department not having the right equipment needed to plow all cemeteries. Cemeteries can only be plowed as needed for funerals.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

1) Last month's doing really well on the snow removal budget, this month was a dramatic change.

2) Roads in good shape, not a lot of accidents

3) State funded the rest of the FEMA money from the storm disaster in May, and also reapplied for a bill that was not covered in the last CHIPS payment last week.

Superintendent Mee asked the board permission to use the money from these two payments to pay toward the BAN this fall for the truck the town is purchasing. After a brief discussion, it was decided to wait until closer to the due date of the BAN payment to make a motion to use this money toward the BAN payment.

ZONING OFFICER

1) Some complaints were made that are being looked into.

2) Files are being updated.

CODE OFFICER

1) The variance that was granted on the Levant Motors property is still not in compliance with the original agreement and we are receiving complaints. The Zoning Board will be meeting next week and will review this issue under the six month stipulation that was set.

CORRESPONDENCE

1) Received a thank you note from Roland Swanson for the plaque presented to him last month in honor of his many years of service dedicated to the town.

MONTHLY & ANNUAL REPORTS

JUSTICE JUDITH SHIELDS - reported 43 Vehicle & Traffic, 6 Criminal, 1 ECL, 20 AGM, 1 TL, and 1 TAX disbursed with \$4,987.00 forwarded to Supervisor.

CEMETERY CARETAKER ALAN SHORT- highway helped plow cemetery; three (3) burials; five (5) foundations ready to be done - should be done by Memorial Day.

DOG CONTROL BRIAN KING - 1/13/15 - 2/9/15: one (1) dealt with dog feces problem in yard; one (1) missing dog found & returned to its home; one (1) complaint call about dogs running loose on Scott Hill Rd, Fisher Hill Rd. and Eccles Rd. Explained there is NO leash law in country; one (1) inspection from NYS AG & Markets. Everything was great. Second best DCO in area for paperwork & equipment, Salamanca is #1; one (1) complaint about dogs in shed on Grubb Hill Road.

PLANNING BOARD - no meeting this month

ZONING BOARD - next meeting 2/17

RECREATION (ANN BLOOMQUIST/JONI THOMAS) - 2014 Recreation Report -

The recreation committee hosted their annual Easter egg hunt in April at Temple School. The Future Business Leaders from Falconer School helped. There were 189 children that participated.

In May, the Recreation Committee provided decorations from children to decorate their bikes and ride in the Memorial Day Parade. The children of the town also carried historic flags in the parade and helped to decorate the soldiers' graves during the ceremony in the cemetery.

Summer Rec started in July and ran for 6 weeks, around 40 children ages 5-14 participated. The culminating activity was a trip to Waldameer.

In October we had our Halloween party. There were approximately 100 children in costumes. They participated in games, treats and a Halloween Parade.

We teamed up with Kennedy Pride in December to welcome Santa Claus to Kennedy.

There were cookies and chili, hayrides, crafts, and trick ponies. Again, approximately 100 people were on hand for this event.

Thank you to the Town Board for the funds that you provide. The children look forward to these activities throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Bloomquist

HISTORIAN - REBECCA LINDQUIST - no report

TOWN CLERK BONNITA WALLACE reported \$1,209.54 paid to Supervisor with \$1,247.54 total disbursed.

ZONING OFFICER GEORGE GUSTAFSON - (BUILDING & ZONING CODE REPORT)

reported \$0.00 in fees forwarded to Town Clerk. Three (3) Complaints received; one (1)

Notice of Violation; fifteen (15) Inspections Performed; ten (10) Certificates of Occupancy were reported.

SUPERVISOR KELLY SNOW distributed prior to the meeting the Agenda and Monthly Supervisor's Reports for General Fund, Highway Fund, Payroll Fund, Money Market accounts and General & Highway Budget Reports.

Supervisor Snow asked if there were any questions on the bills. *Councilman Walker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hatfield to pay General Vouchers (42-80) totaling \$65,932.61, Highway Vouchers (24-43) totaling \$62,959.49, Light District #1 Voucher (2) in the amount of \$931.07, Light District #2 Voucher (2) in the amount of \$259.77 and Justice Court Voucher (2) in the amount of \$3,432.00.*

Ayes: Snow, Stanton, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker

The next Board Meeting will be March 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Other meetings: February 12th - Construction Progress Meeting at 9 a.m., February 17th - Zoning Board Meeting, February 18th - Kennedy Pride Meeting, and February 23rd - Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee.

At 8:00 p.m. Supervisor Snow made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Stanton to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Snow, Stanton, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnita R Wallace
Town Clerk