

**TOWN OF BLEECKER
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Councilman Becker: Present

Councilman Winnie: Present

Supervisor Howard: Present

Councilman Bartholomew: Present

Councilman Smith: present

Also in attendance were Richard Didomizio, John Furlong, and Paul Brink

Councilman Becker made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

John Furlong addressed the Board concerning new State procedures. He asked that the Town furnish a computer and printer for Code Enforcement since the State will no longer issue books for Building Codes. All will now be available on-line only. The computer would also need software to access the Code, as it is run by a private company under contract to the State. He also asked if the Code Enforcement department could have money budgeted to pay for schooling instead of the voucher system as it is causing financial hardship. Supervisor Howard asked him to set up a meeting to discuss what he needs, and the Board will provide it for him. Mr. Furlong also asked that we look into passing a Local Law to address violations specifically and institute penalties for them. Right now we cannot enforce any code violations because we have no laws in place.

Clerk Report:

In January the Town took in \$462: \$15 in Dog Licenses, \$350 in Transfer Station permits, \$72 in Building Permits, and \$25 for a Games of Chance license. It was all given to the Supervisor.

Code Enforcement:

John Furlong reported one inspection, one Certificate of Compliance, and he attended an in-service training in Albany.

Dog Control:
No Activity

The Assessor, Supervisor, and Bookkeeper's reports were submitted. Supervisor Howard told the Board that Larry Doubleday is resigning from the Board of Assessment Review and moving out of the area. We will need to find someone to serve.

Highway, Building, and Grounds:

Paul Brink told the Board that the price for a new plow truck is the same as last April's bid, therefore we can go ahead and order the new truck.

RESOLUTION #20-20
Authorization to Buy 2021 Plow Truck

Councilman Becker offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Resolved; the Bleecker Town Board hereby authorizes the Highway Superintendent to order a 2021 International plow truck for the price of \$190,814.65.

It was seconded by Councilman Winnie and approved: in Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Winnie: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

RESOLUTION #21-20
Approve Contract for Pinnacle Bridge Repair

Councilman Winnie offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Resolved; the Bleecker Town Board does hereby approve a contract with R&B Construction for the repair of Pinnacle Road bridge in the amount of \$22,714.

It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes
Councilman Winnie: Yes
Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

The repair should last 5 years, and we should expect to replace the bridge by then.

May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be Dumpster Days
Paul Brink also told the Board that he is working on fuel logs for the trucks.

The State Troopers have asked that the Town provide a lock-box for tickets and Court papers since the new laws for speedy trials have gone into effect. They need to get papers to us much sooner, and there is not always someone available for them.

RESOLUTION #22-20
Authorization to Buy a Lock-Box for the Town Hall

Councilman Bartholomew offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Resolved; the Bleecker Town Board does hereby authorize the Clerk to order a lock-box for the Town Hall, for the purpose of receiving Court papers in off hours.

It was seconded by Councilman Smith and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0
Councilman Becker: Yes
Councilman Winnie: Yes
Supervisor Howard: Yes
Councilman Bartholomew: Yes
Councilman Smith: Yes

Since the flag in front of the Town Hall is damaged, it will need to be replaced.
Councilman Becker said that he has one to replace it with, and will take care of it.

RESOLUTION #23-20
Authorization to Pay General and Highway Fund Bills

Councilman Smith offered the following Resolution and asked for its' approval:

Resolved; the Bleecker Town Board has hereby audited and approved for payment General Fund bills #V-13 through #V-28 for a total of \$8,704.07 and Highway Fund bills #V-7 through #V-18 for a total of \$9,539.15.

It was seconded by Councilman Becker and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

Councilman Becker: Yes

Councilman Winnie: Yes

Supervisor Howard: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew: Yes

Councilman Smith: Yes

Councilman Bartholomew made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Councilman Winnie and approved; In Favor: 5 Opposed: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55

Recorded and submitted by Toni Johnson, Town Clerk