

February 13, 2018
Regular Meeting
Inlet Town Board

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Herb Schmid in Supervisor Frey's absence, at 7:30pm.

Present were Shawn Hansen and Aimee VanWie

Officials present were Supervisor Frey (arrived late), Councilman Levi, Councilman Brownsell, Councilman Schmid, Councilman Townsend and Yvonne Lutz, Town Clerk

Supervisor Frey is attending the Town of Webb's monthly board meeting to approach the Board about the consolidation of police.

Councilman Schmid asked if anyone had any questions, requests for additions or deletions on the January 9 Regular Board meeting minutes.

Aimee VanWie has created a new form for an extended use trailer permit for the Town of Inlet. This permit allows a person to have a trailer on their property for more than the 7 day temporary permit we currently grant. This permit is only good up to 2 years as approved by the Board and is typically for people building a home and needs a temporary structure while building. She presented a permit application from Donald Kinney, 73 Uncas Road. A motion was made by Councilman Brownsell, seconded by Councilman Levi to approve the permit.

4 AYES 0 NAYS Motion carried

Councilman Schmid asked for a moment of silence to remember Bruce Caldwell.

Aimee VanWie updated the board on the Fern Park Master Plan. Mr. Gerald Hienl, who is an engineer who has done park restoration, has offered his services pro bono to help the committee in their brainstorming and restoration of Fern Park.

ASSESSOR/CODES

Aimee will be attending the annual Codes Training onverence in Lake Placid from March 4-8th.

CLEAN WATERS

Councilman Brownsell reported that Barton & Loguidice has done their annual report of the closed landfill. A copy of the report is in the Town Clerk's office for anyone to review.

PARKS

Councilman Townsend reported that Cycles Adirondack is looking to get a grant for electrical outlet work and Black Fly might match the grant. Parks Dept is looking at the option of having John in grooming stay on with the Town in the Park's Department when done grooming, to help with the roof for the cottage. Board stated they did not have an objection.

POLICE

Supervisor Frey is at Town of Webb board meeting to discuss consolidation agreement further

PLANNING BOARD

5- year review and update of the Town Comprehensive Master Plan is being worked on

HIGHWAY

Superintendent Hansen reported being very busy plowing and sanding. Councilman Schmid clarified that the Town Highway Department is happy to take care of the snow removal on the sidewalks, however, the roadways need to take priority. Owners will need to take on responsibility to clean the

sidewalks on their property if the Town is busy taking care of roadways. The Town wants to keep the sidewalks clean, however, sometimes they need to prioritize and take care of roadways first.

On a motion by Councilman Townsend, seconded by Councilman Levi the following resolution was ADOPTED by VOTE 4 AYES 0 NAYS

RESOLUTION NO. 6.18

REQUESTING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO POST WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON TOWN ROADS FOR THE YEAR 2018

DATED: February 13, 2018

WHEREAS, Vehicle and Traffic Law Article 41, Section 1660 gives authority to the Town Board to post weight limits on Town Roads when the Board deems necessary to protect roads from harm during spring breakup, and

WHEREAS, Vehicle and Traffic Law Article 40, Section 1650 gives authority to the county superintendent of highways to post weight limits on County Roads when the superintendent deems it necessary to protect County roads from harm during spring breakup, and

WHEREAS, the Town would need to place an ad in the local newspaper notifying the public of such postings, and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent places a legal ad in the local newspaper notifying the public of such posting on County highways, and

WHEREAS, the Town roads are typically posted for the same duration as the County roads, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and Town Highway Superintendent believes that it would be in the interest of the Town if the County Superintendent post weight restrictions on the Town roads in conjunction with the County Roads during spring breakup, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Inlet hereby requests and authorizes the County Superintendent of Highways post weight restrictions on Town roads within the Town of Inlet when he deems necessary for the calendar year 2018.

TRANSFER STATION

Winter hours are in effect through May 1. The Transfer Station is Open 9-12 and 1-6 (closed 12-1) and closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Superintendent Hansen asked to speak regarding the trails. He reported that they have been grooming where weather permits and have moved snow to Rocky Mountain area. Town of Webb helped by bringing snow from Eagle Bay and Superintendent wants to thank them. He also wants to thank landowners who allow us to use their land for trail access and thanked all the downtown landowners for use of their property to put snow.

TOWN CLERK

Town Clerk Yvonne Lutz reported that revenue collected in January from tax collections was in the amount of \$1,527,549.43. Councilman Levi asked how much of this is from NYS land. Town Clerk will get this figure and give it to the Board. Aimee VanWie discussed the potential tax cap the Governor is considering and how this could hurt towns like us financially. She mentioned that she needs to do an informal re-appraisal for specifically lakefront. Fourth Lake is really the "neighborhood" she is referring to because Seventh Lake and Limekiln don't have the sales to help with any kind of revaluation. She reported that she received the estimated Level of Assessment Ratio from the Office of Real property. The Town is at 98.17. Residential is slightly low at 94.34 and commercial is slightly high at 117.04. Commercial is high because there are so few sales of commercial property and the parcels used to base the sales model on one of them was from a sale in 2015. Time or more commercial sales will correct this.

Town Clerk also reported \$397.50 of revenue for January in pavers, dog license renewal, building permits and certificate of origin.

With a motion by Councilman Brownsell and seconded by Councilman Townsend, the Board APPROVED the Town Clerk to attend the annual NYS Town Clerks Association Conference on April 22 through April 25. She will take courses for registrar and also a Notary Public class to earn her Notary again. Town Clerk, Yvonne Lutz also reported that she applied for a scholarship to help with the costs.

The Town Clerk presented a resolution from the APA Review Board asking for support. The Board decided against offering any support.

Town Clerk presented a resolution from Life Flight asking for support. Councilman Schmid noted that the service is valuable, however, is rarely used and the Board decided against offering any support.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Councilman Schmid reported on behalf of Supervisor Frey that the Town Tower committee will meet in March and that it looks like the County should get \$500,000-\$600,000 for Communication towers, however, more areas are looking for assistance with funding. Originally it was Raquette Lake and Inlet and now Cat Mountain and Moorhead are now seeking assistance. It was mentioned that CAP 21 is assisting with a fund to be utilized by communication needs in the Town of Inlet. There is currently \$10,000 in the fund, in addition to the \$50,000 donation by Mr. and Mrs. Millikan. Councilman Schmid also discussed that there is a video being produced to express the need for communication improvements in the area. There is hope that the video will generate more funds.

Supervisor Frey joined the meeting from the Town of Webb meeting. He reported that the Town of Webb Board showed little to no resistance in consolidating police departments by the end of year. It was discussed we will do everything to move toward consolidation while waiting for State approval.

The Town of Webb Board did ask if Inlet will require a minimum amount of coverage from the consolidated department.

Supervisor Frey reported that we are moving forward with the possibility of a land swap with Dave Corisanti. Eric Sunderhaft was here for the appraisal on the afternoon of 2/13. We will be looking for a permissive referendum most likely this summer.

Supervisor Frey mentioned that the light pole caps in the park look great.

No executive session.

RESOLUTION NO: 07.18 HIGHWAY VOUCHERS

On a motion offered by Councilman Levi, seconded by Councilman Townsend the following resolution was ADOPTED by VOTE to pay Highway vouchers numbered 9210, 9211, 9244, 9245, 9250, 9251, and 9254-9256, in the amount of Twelve Thousand One Hundred Fifty One Dollars and Sixty Seven Cents (\$12,151.67)

4 AYES 0 NAYS Motion carried

RESOLUTION NO: 08.18 GENERAL AND WASTEWATER VOUCHERS

On a motion offered by Councilman Brownsell, seconded by Councilman Levi, the following resolution was ADOPTED by VOTE to pay General vouchers numbered 9210, 9212-9249, 9258-9266 in the amount of Fifty Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Fifty-Nine cents (\$52,218.59)

4 AYES 0 NAYS Motion carried

With all business heard, the Town Board adjourned at 8:30 pm with a motion made by Councilman Townsend and seconded by Councilman Levi. The next general meeting of this Board will be on March 13, 2018 and will begin at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne Lutz
Town Board