

RUSHFORD BOARD MEETING
May 8, 2017

PRESENT: John Jessop, Supervisor
Councilmen: Don Bliss, Scott Walter, Charles Bliss

ABSENT: Lynn Pomeroy

ALSO PRESENT: Tracy Pastorius, Town Clerk	Will Westfall, Hwy. Supt.
Cal Champlin	Howard Hunt
Rita Hunt	Gary Wight
Pat Dudas	Tom Dudas
Betsy Black	Dave Black
Audrey Wolfer	Dave Gleed
Dennelle Michalski	Jonathan Finley
Deb Aumick	

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Scott Walter, second by Don Bliss. Motion Carried.

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2017 Town Board Meeting was made by Don Bliss, second by Scott Walter. Motion Carried.

General Fund Bills, Abstract #5, Claims 126 –157 in the amount of \$7,725.30 were reviewed. A motion was made by Charles Bliss, second by Don Bliss to approve the payment of these claims and any other utility bills not received by the Board Meeting. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Don Bliss, second by Scott Walter to reimburse Councilmen Charles Bliss \$200.00 for the Association of Towns Finance School that he attended last week. The Voucher was added to the General Fund Bills. Motion Carried.

Highway Fund Bills, Abstract #5, Claims 51–60 in the amount of \$18,230.14 were reviewed. A motion was made by Don Bliss, second by Scott Walter to approve payment of these claims. Motion Carried.

The Town Clerk's monthly report and fees of \$216.14.

The Cuba-Rushford School District has an opening for a School Board member. Candidates Dennelle Michalski and Gary Wight were both given time to speak about running for the open Board Member position and how they will be an asset to the School Board.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

The Supervisor's report was submitted and filed. A copy was distributed to the Town Board. Supervisor John Jessop spoke briefly about the Finance School that he and Councilmen Charles Bliss attended last week. They both felt it was very informative and beneficial.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

The Highway Department received one fuel bid. The Town Clerk opened and read the bid from Short's Oil & Propane. Bid price will be 13 cents over rack price. Price will be calculated every delivery. The following prices are a sample based on Thursday 5-3-17: No-Lead Gasoline -- \$1.63 a gallon and Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel -- \$1.60 a gallon.

A motion was made by Charles Bliss, second by Don Bliss to accept the fuel bid from Short's Oil & Propane. Motion Carried.

Will Westfall, Highway Supt., presented two quotes for the removal and replacement of the gutters on the Highway garage. Liberty Seamless Gutter, LLC quoted \$3,000.00. However, they had concerns about fastening the gutters to the steel building. All Pro Gutters quoted \$4,660.00. This quote included the installation of 26 gauge 20' sections of galvalume box gutters. Installed with using hidden hanger brackets and new downspouts on the front and back of the building.

A motion was made by Don Bliss, second by Charles Bliss to accept the quote from All Pro Gutters. Motion Carried.

A quote was received from Healthy Home Insulation Systems (Warren Hawley) for the Highway Garage. After discussion regarding this, the Board would like for Warren Hawley to attend the next board meeting to answer a few questions. This was tabled until the June Board Meeting.

The Highway Superintendent received quotes regarding the disposal of items from the Cleanup Campaign. A quote from LaForge was a 30 yard container for \$510.00 with up to 4 ton included and \$48.00 per ton over that. L & R Roll-Off, Inc. submitted a quote of 30 & 40 yard containers for \$150.00 plus fuel surcharge for Metals. A container for Tires at no charge but a flat rate of \$150.00 per ton with a 5 ton minimum. For garbage a 30 or 40 yard box for \$150.00 plus fuel surcharge and disposal rate of \$50.00 per ton. A 20 yard box for wood for \$150.00 plus fuel surcharge and disposal rate of \$20.00 per ton. Will Westfall also contacted the county and the highway department can haul to the Hyland Facility for a rate of \$35.00 per ton. Which is the same price that the County pays.

A motion was made by Charles Bliss, second by Scott Walter to have the cleanup campaign this year on June 6, 2017 with the chance of not continuing it next year due to cost and to advertise in the Cuba Patriot and have it put on the Town website. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Scott Walter, second by Don Bliss to have the Highway Department haul the debris from the Cleanup Campaign to Hyland at a cost of \$35.55 per ton. Motion Carried.

LAKE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

A written report of the RLRD Board minutes were submitted by Deb Aumick and were distributed to the Town Board and attached to the Board minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Scott Walter, second by Don Bliss to adopt Local Law #1 of 2017, which would change the date or first date for meetings of the Board of Assessment Review from the first Wednesday in June to the second Wednesday following the fourth Tuesday in May. Motion Carried.

The Lease with the Snowmobile Club was tabled until the next Board meeting.

The Planning Board is continuing to work on the Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Board meets the third Thursday of the month.

John Jessop is still looking into contractors to fix the Library Wall.

Jerry Clark Construction gave a quote of \$200.00 for the new Pedestrian door for the 4H building and \$100.00 for the labor. Also, Jerry Clark will be starting to install the roll-up overhead doors/windows at the Legion Park on Saturday.

John Jessop is still waiting for calls back regarding estimates/quotes for replacing the roof on the Town Hall.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Scott Walter, second by Don Bliss to accept the Budget Transfers. Motion Carried.

There was discussion regarding purchasing an AED for the Town Hall. The Town Hall is a public place with many people in and out daily. The Community room is also used for many different meetings and events. The Town Clerk had been in contact with the Allegany County Emergency Services for information about an AED and the best places to purchase from. The Rushford Rescue Squad Chief is also willing to provide training on the use of the AED if/when needed. The Town Clerk did apply for a grant through the AED Superstore but have not heard anything as of this date. The approximate cost for

the unit would be \$1,360.00. A Councilmen would like for the Town Clerk to call the Senators office to see if there are any other Grants available. Tabled until the next Board Meeting.

The Town Clerk mentioned that there is a possibility of collecting partial tax payments. There has not been a lot of information provided regarding this. As she has spoken to many other Clerks and do not think this is a very good idea. Many neighboring towns have already opted not to participate in collecting partial payments. The Town Clerk will continue to research this plan and report back at the next Board Meeting.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO USE HIGHWAY VEHICLES AFTER HOURS FOR MEETINGS, CHECKING ROADS AND FOR TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM HIS HOME AS PART OF HIS PAY.

Whereas the Town of Rushford hereby agrees to allow William Westfall, Highway Superintendent to use the Highway vehicle after hours for meetings, checking roads and for transportation to and from work as part of his pay. Resolution Carried.

Scott Walter – Aye
John Jessop – Aye

Don Bliss – Aye
Charles Bliss - Aye

COMMUNICATION:

There was no communication received.

OPEN FORUM:

Sandy Gleed had reported to the Supervisor that a new Internet Service is possibly coming into the area soon. This internet service will provide phone and internet service therefore there is no franchising needed.

Audrey Wolfer spoke about the problem of all the Geese droppings on the sidewalks up and down the Main Street. This is a disgrace for the town and for the visitors that come into the town. John Jessop will contact Allegany County Public Health regarding this matter and will follow up with Audrey.

Audrey also questioned whether a fence between the Library and George Maw residence is going to be put into place. This has been talked about since last summer and had not been put up. Will Westfall will get pricing on the fence for the next meeting.

A motion was made by Don Bliss, second by Charles Bliss to go into Executive Session regarding a Personnel Matter at 9:10 PM. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Scott Walter, second by Don Bliss to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 PM. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted