

On Monday, August 8, 2016, the Preble Town Board held its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, James Doring, with the salute to the flag at 7:00.

Board members present: Don Fisher, Dave Morse, Linda Riehlman, Al Socha, Councilmen

Others present: Don Armstrong, Jeff Griswold, Renee Compton, Robert M. Scott, Sr., Dave Smith, Nancy Dalley, Edna Whiteman, John Steger, Donnell Boyden; Betty Ann Pitman and Ed Bennedy arrived late.

CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion made Linda Riehlman, seconded by Don Fisher

RESOLUTION #52: To accept the July 11th, 2016 regular meeting minutes as submitted

Don Fisher(aye) Dave Morse (aye) Linda Riehlman(aye) Al Socha(aye)

Mark Suben, Cortland County District Attorney – Mr. Suben spoke on the rise of drugs and crime in the county. Mr. Suben is running for reelection this November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DOG CONTROL:

- 1 dog unlicensed running at large; appearance ticket issued (Green Lake Rd.)
- 1 dog running at large – animal picked up; has been licensed (Clark Rd.)
- 1 dog running at large – animal picked up (East Homer-Baltimore Rd.)
- 145 miles traveled for the town

JUSTICE REPORT: -\$12,754.00 submitted to the Town for July

HIGHWAY REPORT:

Roads:

- The guide rail on East Hill Rd. has been removed in preparation of widening and paving the road.
- Getting a paver this year has been a challenge; possibly around Labor Day

Jeff took Councilman Fisher on a tour of some roads on August 5th

Equipment:

- The #1 injector on truck #3 went bad; it has been replaced.
- The new truck will here around noon Tuesday, August 9th

Shop:

- Jeff contacted P.E.S.H. regarding not receiving their paperwork. They said we should have it this week.
- Goddard Roofing will be starting the roof at the shop tomorrow(8/9).
- The contract hiring PLS Engineering (Paul Sheneman) can be acted on tonight.

Shop Fuel Spill:

Personnel:

Other:

- Jeff thinks the Board should consider not plowing County Roads anymore. They have not been maintaining their roads we plow. It's hard on the truck and driver.
- The "Bridge New York" paperwork will be submitted by the end of the week. (Culvert on East Currie Road)
- The time clock at the shop quit; it has been replaced.
- Jeff will be attending the Governor's Sustainability Conference Thursday in Syracuse.

RECREATION:

- Renee Compton updated the Board on the youth program. Everything is going well. She stated that there are 25-30 children every day. There are two weeks left. The Calvary Baptist Church held a soccer camp. She mentioned that the bathrooms are not handicap accessible and the little playground is not safe. She is thinking about having a bottle drive. The Old Timers Band will be at the park Thursday night.

COUNTY LEGISLATURE: - Mr. Boyden reported to the Board that the county will be \$2.5 million in the red next year. They want to bring back the 'Ash for Trash' project.

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT:

July Report

7 Building Permits Issued
187 Miles traveled for the Town
34 Building Inspections
46 Hours worked
3 Fire Inspections
17 Complaint follow-ups
41 Telephone inquiries

PLANNING BOARD – Meeting – August 24th - @7:00 (Wednesday)

ZBA – Meeting – September 1st -@7:30 (Thursday)

HISTORIAN - Anne is absent

TOWN CLERK: -\$424.00 collected in June; disbursed \$402.00 to the Town of Preble and \$22.00 to NYS Ag & Markets

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-Greater Tompkins Municipal Health Insurance Consortium –

Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Dave Morse

RESOLUTION #53: RESOLVED, That the municipality's Board hereby directs the Mayor/Supervisor to sign the Great Tompkins sign the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium (GTCMHIC) Municipal Cooperative Agreement (MCA), submit copies of financial information required by the GTCMHIC (up to two years of State Comptroller AUD reports), supply contract population data of all employees/retirees eligible to be covered by the Consortium and benefit plan for each, and comply with the dependent verification requirements of the GTCMHIC

RESOLVED, further, That the municipality's Board hereby directs the Supervisor/Mayor to request that a Surplus Reserve payment (5% of annual premium) be waived before coverage can begin."

Don Fisher(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye) Al Socha(aye)

Highway Garage – The new proposal from Paul Sheneman has been received; same verbiage and same price as the original one. Construction will probably start in the spring.

Motion made by Al Socha, seconded by Linda Riehlman

RESOLUTION #54: To authorize Supervisor Doring to sign the proposal which has been submitted by PLS Engineering (Paul Sheneman) for construction of a Highway Garage for the Town of Preble

Don Fisher(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye) Al Socha(aye)

Post Office Boxes – Attorney Armstrong has been in contact with Maureen Hohl and the Postal Service wants to proceed with the addendum to their five year lease agreement which will start December 1, 2016. The Board discussed how much the Postal Service would pay to rent the space behind the Town Hall, agreeing that the town would receive \$150.00 a month. Attorney Armstrong will advise the Postal Service of the Board's decision and hopefully will have a response by the September 12th meeting. The Postal Service has been advised of the safety concerns and residents are very unhappy traveling to Little York.

Motion made by Al Socha, seconded by Linda Riehlman

RESOLUTION #55: To authorize Attorney Armstrong to contact the Postal Service with a proposal of \$150.00 a month for the placement of the post office boxes behind the Town Hall.

Don Fisher(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye) Al Socha(aye)

Church House - Supervisor Doring has spoken to Bill Bearup, the Assessor for the Town. There were copies from the New York State Real Property Tax Law given to each Board Member. After some discussion, with the Board in agreement, it was decided that 'the town hires an assessor for his expertise and, therefore, the final determination will be made by Bill Bearup, the town's Assessor.'

NEW BUSINESS

Monies received: \$538.17 – USPS
 \$1,771.89 – North East Transformers
 \$107,239.98 – 2nd quarter Sales Tax

Supervisor Doring announced that Northeast Transformers has invited the Board to tour their plant. He will make the arrangements.

Ed Bennedy and Mike Scott are here regarding the junk situation in the Mobile Park on Route 281, looking for direction from the Board because Rick Fritz is not satisfied with the cleanup. Ed Bennedy has suggested putting up a stockade fence to hide Mr. Scott's lawn mower and other equipment. Attorney Armstrong asked Mr. Scott if he could have his property cleaned up by October 10th; Mr. Scott said he would have it cleaned up. If it is not completed by October 10th, there will be legal proceedings. Mr. Scott also mentioned that there are 2 or 3 other places that should be looked at.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Steger is here bringing the Board up to date on the church's house. He stated that the shed behind the house is used for storage of the lawn mower and other machinery and there are supplies stored in the basement. There is a possibility of having to use the home for a manse should the current pastor retire. It also noted that when the manse on Route 281 was sold and they acquired Don Wright's home on Preble Road, there was no assessment decrease.

Betty Ann Pitman is asking about the Post Office boxes because she arrived late. Attorney Armstrong explained what had previously been discussed.

Al Socha is reporting on a piece of property on Route 11 that the Zoning Board allowed for billboards. The property is not being maintained by CNY Power Sports.

APPROVE GENERAL & HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion made by Linda Riehlman, seconded by Dave Morse

RESOLUTION #56: To pay the General Fund Vouchers, Abstract #8, Nos. 200 to 227 totaling \$20,508.08

Don Fisher(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye) Al Socha(aye)

Motion made by Al Socha, seconded by Don Fisher

RESOLUTION #57: To pay the Highway Fund Vouchers, Abstract #8, Nos. 75 to 88 totaling \$216,221.62

Don Fisher(aye) Dave Morse(aye) Linda Riehlman(aye) Al Socha(aye)

There being no further business, Jim asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Dave Morse, seconded by Linda Riehlman; meeting adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Unofficial 08/08/2016
Official

Jane W. Davenport
Town Clerk

