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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING BURTON HALL 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Supervisor Shaw

Councilwoman Lundberg

Councilman Moy

Councilman Brownell

Councilman Herrick

RECORDING SECRETARY: Sharon Archambeault

OTHERS PRESENT: Highway Superintendent; Rich Fox, Highway Employee; Anthony DeSorbe, Shirley Renauld, Code Enforcement Officer; Jim Merryman, Scott Sprague, Easton Library Trustees; Linda Borden, Peter Read, NYS Assembly; Sharon Pineo

RESOLUTION #81-19

APPROVE MIUNTES OF REGULAR MEETING 10/7/2019 & SPECIAL MEETING OF 10/28/2019

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Herrick, second by Councilwoman Lundberg to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 10/7/2019 & special meeting of 10/28/2019 as written.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Shaw received correspondence from the Planning Board asking that on or more board members and one or more assessors attend the next Planning Board meeting which will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 @7 p.m. There will be a public hearing to discuss two large solar generating projects, which are located on 245 acres on the east and west side of McGowan Rd. They would like the Assessors and Board members to answer questions that may arise from the public about the amount of taxes to be levied and other benefits to the community these projects will bring.

Correspondence was received from Willard Development Inc. informing the town board they will be renewing their Liquor License#2014625.

PUBLIC HEARING 7:13P.M.

BUDGET FOR 2020

There was discussion regarding the increase of \$500.00 from the Easton Library. The town board stated that they did not feel they could increase the Library's budget this year. They would like to put money in the building fund so they can finish the Burton Hall Project. After discussion the Treasurer; Peter Read and the President: Linda Borden of the Easton Library agreed to leave the Library at \$29,000.00.

The Code Enforcement Officer has asked for an increase from \$9,000.00 last year to \$14,000.00 for 2020. After a lengthy discussion the board agreed to a yearly salary of \$13,000.00 for the Code Enforcement Officer.

RESOLUTION#82-19

AMEND PRELIMINARY BUDGET

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Brownell, second by Councilman Moy to amend the 2020 Preliminary Budget to make the following changes as follows; decrease B3620.1 Safety Officer salary from \$14,000.00 to \$13,000.00 and increase the Building Fund A1620.4 \$1,000.00.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

RESOLUTION#83-19
DECREASE TOWN BOARD SALARY

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Herrick, second by Councilwoman Lundberg to decrease A1010.1 Fund Town Board salary \$100.00 each and increase Building Fund A1620.4 Contractual \$400.00.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

Councilman Moy would like to decrease the Supervisor’s salary and Budget Officers salary of \$500.00 each that was requested by the supervisor. After discussion the board agreed to leave the Supervisor’s salary at \$4,000.00 and Budget Officers salary at \$2,000.00 as presented in the budget.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING 7:40 P.M.

RESOLUTION#84-19
ADOPT 2020 BUDGET

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Brownell, second by Councilwoman Lundberg to adopt the 2020 budget.

Roll Call

Councilwoman Lundberg	Yes
Councilman Moy	Yes
Councilman Brownell	Yes
Councilman Herrick	Yes
Supervisor Shaw	Yes

Adopted 5 Ayes

RESOLUTION#85-19
PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilwoman Lundberg, second by Councilman Herrick to make payment of the following claims:

No. 401-433	A FUND	\$ 13,083.70
	B FUND	\$ 73.84
	DA FUND	\$ 4,286.40
	DB FUND	\$100,867.90
	TOTAL	\$118,311.84

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

COMMITTEE REPORTS
BUILDING COMMITTEE

Supervisor Shaw stated that at the Special Meeting held on October 28th., one bid was received for the two porches to be installed. The price of the bid was \$65,000.00 from R&R Construction Co., Roger Stangle. Supervisor Shaw said he talked with Mr. Stangle about the price. Supervisor Shaw asked if he could do the project for less. Mr. Stangle said he could decrease the price by \$6,500.00 if the board awarded the bid to him tonight. After discussion the board agreed they could not do the porches at this time and rejected all bids.

RESOLUTION#86-19

REJECT ALL BIDS

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Brownell, second by Councilwoman Lundberg to reject all bids for the porch project.

Adopted 5 Ayes

Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

After discussion about the board agreed to hold a meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 @5:45 to discuss the Burton Hall Project and audit all the expenses for the project.

INSURANCE: Chair: Bill Herrick/Aindrea Lundberg- Councilman Herrick reported that the insurance company requested that the Highway Department have a check off list daily and monthly.

TOWN POLICIES: Chair: Aindrea Lundberg/Randy Moy- Councilwoman Lundberg stated that she would like a list of employees that have completed the sexual harassment training. The town clerk will send her a list.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Chair: Scott Brownell/ Bill Herrick- The storm windows have not been repaired. Supervisor Shaw asked the town clerk if she would call the company in Ellenville N.Y. to see if they can replace or repair the windows.

HIGHWAY: Chair: Randy Moy/Scott Brownell- Councilman Moy reported that there is an issue with Herrington Hill Rd. that was just paved. The black top is cracking. Peckham's said they would fix it. The board would like something in writing after it is fixed stating that it is satisfactory.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

SUPERVISOR: Supervisor Shaw stated that a date needs to be set for the end of the year meeting. The board agreed to hold the end of the year meeting on Monday, December 30, 2019 @ 4:45p.m. Supervisor Shaw reported that there will be no Journal Press newspaper published at this time.

RESOLUTION#87-19

DESIGNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Herrick, second by Councilwoman Lundberg to designate the Eagle newspaper as the Town of Easton's official newspaper until the end of the year.

Adopted 5 Ayes

Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

TOWN CLERK: Sharon Archambeault reported that \$952.00 was collected for the month of October. A check for \$19.00 was submitted to NYS Ag. & Markets for the spay/neuter program. A check for \$22.50 was submitted to the NYS Dept. of Health for one marriage license. The balance of \$910.50 was submitted to the Town Supervisor.

HIGHWAY: Highway Superintendent; Rich Fox reported that they are getting the trucks ready if there is snow on Friday. Rich stated that he has decided to keep the old truck because it has no value and they can use it for parts.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Building Inspector; Jim Merryman submitted his report for October. Jim collected \$720.00 for building permits. Jim reported that there are 44-48 active permits in the process of being completed. There are two sizeable homes at the initial stages of being constructed and I have received two new building permit applications. There have been a couple of code violations brought to my attention and I am working toward compliance with those who are responsible for them.

PLANNING BOARD: NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION#88-19

ADVERTISE FOR PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE, ASSESSMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE & ASSESSOR

RESOLVED on a motion by Supervisor Shaw, second by Councilman Moy to advertise for the following vacancies; Planning Board Alternate, Assessment Review Committee and Assessor.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

PUBLIC COMMENT- OPEN 8:45P.M.

Shirley Renauld- River Rd.- Shirley would like to send our sympathy to Meghan Phalen's family for her recent loss and send prayers and all our effort to continue to live.

PUBLIC COMMENT- CLOSED 8:48P.M.

OTHER BUSINESS- NONE

BOARD COMMENTS- NONE

Supervisor Shaw adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Sharon Archambeault

Easton Town Clerk