

**Minutes of the Town of Johnsburg
Regular Meeting
Wevertown Community Center
2370 State Route 28
March 5, 2019**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Johnsburg held on Tuesday March 5, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Wevertown Community Center, 2370 State Route 28, Wevertown, NY

Supervisor Hogan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge to the flag was led by Ryan Riedinger.

PRESENT: Andrea Hogan -- Supervisor
Eugene Arsenault – Councilman
Arnold Stevens – Councilman
Peter Olesheski, Jr -- Councilman
Laurie Arnheiter -- Councilwoman
Kate Lorah -- Town Clerk

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting February 19, 2019

RESOLUTION #45-19

Mr. Olesheski noted that Resolution #43-19 included his name, although he was not present at the February 19 meeting.

Ms. Arnheiter presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Stevens to accept the minutes of the February 19, 2019 meeting, with the omission of Mr. Olesheski's name from Resolution #43-19. With 3 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 3 (Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter) Nays- 0 Abstain – 2 (Hogan, Olesheski)

Presentation by James Buono, representing National Grid

Mr. Buono presented ideas for cost saving for the Town in three areas of energy consumption: streetlighting, rate reduction, and interior lighting.

Correspondence:

Ms. Lorah listed the letters received:

- Letter expressing appreciation for the highway department
- Letter commending Christian Holt
- Letter from Christian Holt requesting reappointment as Assessor

Mr. Olesheski asked when the Assessor's appointment ends. Ms. Hogan said it ends in September and that the Personnel Committee should address this as soon as possible.

New Business:

- **Authorization for ADK Mountain Club to have alcohol at Ididaride July 27, 2019**

Arnold Stevens made the statement that he feels alcohol should not be allowed in any of the Town parks.

RESOLUTION #46-19

Ms. Arnheiter made a motion to authorize ADK Mountain Club to have alcohol at Ididaride July 27, 2019. The second was made by Mr. Arsenault. With 4 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 4 (Hogan, Arsenault, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 1 (Stevens)

- **Letter to county in support of Occupancy Tax request for Shuttle**

Ms. Hogan stated that Joel Beaudin is seeking funds for the purchase of two shuttle buses and that Mr. Olesheski is correct in stating that the county has funds available in Occ tax.

RESOLUTION #47-19

Mr. Arsenault made a motion to write a letter from the Town Board to the county in support of an Occupancy Tax request for the Shuttle. The second was made by Ms. Arnheiter. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 0

- **Baseball/Softball field scheduling and needs**

It was agreed by the Board that the Baseball/Softball fields will now be scheduled by Joann Morehouse, using the same system used to schedule buildings and rooms. She will communicate with Matt Olden to have fields properly prepared.

Mr. Olesheski has a Baseball/Softball meeting this week in which they will discuss the possibility of having either portable dugouts or permanent dugouts on the field.

- **Copier contract**

Joann Morehouse has researched copier contract pricing and has advised that from three quotes, Toshiba would work best for the Town's needs.

RESOLUTION #48-19

Mr. Olesheski made a motion to contract with Electronic Office Products (Toshiba) for copier needs, as per the guidance of Joann Morehouse. The second was made by Mr. Stevens. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 0

- **IT policy liaison – presentation by Chris Heidrich**

Chris Heidrich spoke about research he has done on behalf of the Town in regard to IT policy and security. He said that several times he reached out for guidance and was denied because he was not a Town official.

Ms. Hogan suggested that the Board make Chris a one-man committee with the Title of IT Policy Liaison.

RESOLUTION #49-19

Mr. Stevens made a motion to make Chris Heidrich a one-man committee with the Title of IT Policy Liaison. The second was made by Mr. Olesheski. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 0

Old Business:

- **Occupancy tax allocations**

Ms. Hogan mentioned the third of Occ tax the Town puts aside for special projects, such as fireworks. She asked the Board to begin considering allocations so that there can be a discussion at the next Town Board meeting.

Committee reports:

- Highway –

Mr. Olesheski said he and Mr. Arsenault are planning on meeting with Dan Hitchcock.

- Buildings, Parks and Recreation –

Ms. Arnheiter said she and Mr. Olesheski are planning on meeting with Daphne Taylor and the Tannery Pond Board. She also mentioned painting inside the Joe Minder building – coordinating with Matt Olden.

- Solid Waste –

Mr. Stevens said there is a committee meeting this week. Mr. Arsenault will not be able to attend, so Ms. Hogan will attend. Also mentioned was getting a larger bin for returnables at the Transfer Station.

- Personnel –

Mr. Olesheski, speaking as Safety Officer, said that online training is now available for the requisite Sexual Harassment Policy training. He will send a link to everyone.

- Water –

No report

- Fire/EMS –

Ms. Hogan said that Warren County is considering a county-wide EMS service and that the Board discussion on this alternative will happen after TOJ EMS has been included in the discussion.

- Planning and Zoning –

Meeting was canceled due to the weather.

- Marketing and Economic Development –

Ms. Arnheiter reminded everyone of the Broadband Symposium on March 15 at 6 pm at Tannery Pond Community Center.

Animal control monthly report

The Animal Control monthly report is in the Board packets.

Supervisor's monthly report***RESOLUTION #50-19***

Mr. Olesheski presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to approve the Supervisor's monthly reports for January and February. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 0

Motion to accept warrants:

General Fund (Total \$21,751.68)
Highway Fund (Total \$9,537.48)
Fire Protection District (\$127.51)
Water District (Total \$3,810.00)
Public Library Fund (Total \$4.25)
Johnsburg Emergency Squad (\$857.37)

Total all warrants \$36,088.29

RESOLUTION #51-19

Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Stevens to approve the warrants. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 0

Privilege of the Floor:

There was discussion about plowing sidewalks in the various Hamlets. Ms. Hogan said the Board will look into this further.

Executive session to discuss the job performance of a particular individual***RESOLUTION #52-19***

At 8:13 pm Mr. Olesheski presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Stevens to enter Executive Session to discuss the job performance of a particular individual. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes- 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays- 0

At 9:06 the Board left Executive Session to reenter the Regular Meeting. The Board reported no action taken in Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn:

The motion to adjourn was made by Arnold Stevens seconded by Gene Arsenault, at 9:07 p.m. With 5 in favor the motion is carried. (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Olesheski, Arnheiter) Nays – 0

Next meeting Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 pm at Tannery Pond Community Center

Prepared by:

Kathleen C. Lorah, Town Clerk