

**Town of Johnsbury
Regular Meeting of the Town Board
Zoom Meeting
February 2, 2021 7:00 PM**

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Meeting ID: 217 260 3617
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PRESENT: Andrea Hogan – Supervisor
Eugene Arsenault – Councilman
Arnold Stevens – Councilman
Laurie Arnheiter – Councilwoman
Justin Gonyo – Councilman
Kate Lorah - Town Clerk

Supervisor Hogan called the Meeting to order at 7:00 and the pledge to the flag was led by Laurie Arnheiter.

Approval of Minutes January 19, 2021 meeting

RESOLUTION #26-21

Mr. Stevens presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Gonyo to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2021 meeting. With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried. Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

Correspondence:

- Letter from TPCC requesting reallocation of 2020 occ tax funds
- Proposals from JMT Engineering

Joe Connelly gave an update on EMS, saying that with COVID call volume and revenue dropped. Joining with Minerva had a positive impact with revenues going up throughout the year and the squad growing from 20 to 30 people.

Old Business:

- Glen Creek Bridge

During budget discussions, Fred Comstock was interested in completing the Glen Creek Project. The Town has all the materials but still needs the concrete and engineering. The proposals from JMT for their portion of the project are \$26,050. Mr. Comstock's estimate for completing the work is \$100,000, for which \$40,000 is budgeted. The Board would need to approve an additional \$63,000 to complete. Ms. Arnheiter suggested that the Board should hear from Mr. Comstock before moving forward. It was agreed to defer until the next Board meeting.

- Employee Handbook

Changes to the employee handbook are ready to pass to attorneys. Ms. Arnheiter would like to read again, and this was deferred.

- Sewer update

This is moving forward and sources of funding are being sought out.

New Business:

Candace Lomax is resigning as water clerk.

RESOLUTION #27-21

Mr. Gonyo presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to approve placing an ad for the position of Town of Johnsburg Water Clerk. With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried.
Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

- Occ tax 2020 reallocations

Tannery Pond Center has requested reallocation unspent concert money from 2020 to put toward the purchase of new electronics.

RESOLUTION #28-21

Mr. Stevens presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to approve reallocating \$4125 of unspent concert

money for Tannery Pond from 2020 to put toward the purchase of new electronics. With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried. Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

- **Bank Paperwork for bookkeeper**

RESOLUTION #29-21

Mr. Gonyo presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Arsenault to approve Emily Sargent, bookkeeper, as a signatory at Community Bank. With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried. Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

- **Computer purchase**

The bookkeeper computer is breaking down and needs to be replaced.

RESOLUTION #30-21

Mr. Gonyo presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Stevens to approve the purchase of a bookkeeping computer for \$735. (Figure misspoken – cost is \$753.) With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried. Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

Mr. Gonyo questioned whether a lease would be an option to a purchase. Ms. Hogan agreed it was a good thought and said she will look into it.

- **Advertise for lifeguards**

RESOLUTION #31-21

Ms. Arnheiter presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Gonyo to approve placing an ad for lifeguards and Swim Program

Director. With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried. Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

- **Alarm quotes**

The fire alarm system panels at Town Hall and Tannery Pond are in need of replacement. The panel for Town Hall will cost \$1300. The quote for Tannery Pond is about \$9000 because the system is obsolete. Mr. Gonyo asked where the funds would come from, and Ms. Hogan said from the general building fund and probably budget amendments.

RESOLUTION #32-21

Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Gonyo to approve the funding for replacing fire alarm panel/systems at Town Hall and Tannery Pond for approximately \$10,300. With 5 members voting in favor the resolution is declared carried. Ayes – 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays – 0

Committee Reports:

– Highway

Mr. Gonyo said that contract changes are coming.

Approval of Warrants

2020

General Fund (Total \$3721.44)
Highway Fund (Total \$235.60)
Total all warrants \$3957.04

2021

General Fund (Total \$27,327.13)
Highway Fund (Total \$1260.59)
Trust and Agency (\$216.38)
Total all warrants \$28,804.10

RESOLUTION #33-21

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

Privilege of the Floor

None

Motion to adjourn

RESOLUTION #34-21

At 8:50 Mr. Arsenault presented the following resolution and moved its passage with a second from Mr. Gonyo to adjourn. With 5 members voting in favor, the resolution is declared carried. Ayes - 5 (Hogan, Arsenault, Stevens, Arnheiter, Gonyo) Nays- 0

Next meeting Tuesday, February 16, 2021 7 pm
Online Zoom Meeting

Prepared by:

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