

Town of Middlefield

May 8, 2018

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The regular meeting of the Middlefield Town Board was opened by Supervisor Joe Harris at 7:00 pm. The minutes of the last town board meeting held April 10, 2018 have been available for review. With clarification made, the minutes were approved with a Motion by Councilman Tabor, seconded by Councilwoman Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Present: Supervisor Joe Harris, Town Council members Peg Leon, Ray Holohan, and Bud Tabor. Audience members: Marion Karl, Dr. John Davis, Les Rathbun, Jan Bartow, Richard Martucci, Anne Piscopo, Joey Dier, Lynn Marsh, Cameron Allison, Evan Chase, Amy Kukenberger, Bill Crankshaw, Natasha Baysinger, Maureen Murray.

Privilege of the Floor: Lynn Marsh spoke regarding short term rentals, and a concern on Pollack Mtn. Road with pigs and abandoned cars. The Zoning Officer will speak with Lynn regarding this issue. Anne Piscopo, who resides on 228 Fred Ottaway Road, has an erosion issue with a culvert. Highway Superintendent Brendan Kraham will take a look at it. Bill Crankshaw, Superintendent of Cooperstown Central Schools, gave a report on the Cooperstown school budget. Evan Chase, from the Baseball Hall of Fame, approached the Board regarding the Town implementing a drone law. A letter from Bill Waller was also received on this issue.

Assessor's Report- Ward Green's term will expire on 9/2018, but would like to be removed from the Board of Review. Dave LaDuke would like to fill out Ward Green's term. A Motion to appoint Dave LaDuke to the Board of Review was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilwoman Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. A Motion to reappoint Ruth Kukenberger to the Grievance Board was made by Councilman Tabor, seconded Councilman Holohan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent's Report- A report was submitted to the board for the 284 highway agreement. **Resolution #4** To approve the board signing the 284 highway agreement was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilwoman Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. The Mill Street and Pink Street bridges were discussed.

Planning Board Report-Councilwoman Leon gave a report to the Board.

Zoning Officer's Report- Neal Newman gave his report to the board.

Financial Report- Budget modifications. A Motion to approve was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. The clerk will require a copy to add to the minutes.

Attorney's Report- The Drone Law will be researched.

Old Business- The school house roof has been replaced. The cupula needs to be replaced. Ed Leslie submitted a quote for \$1800 for copper \$1550 for painted. The phone plan is being reviewed. Highway Garage replacement for the drip edge on the building were obtained. Quotes received are as follows: Ed Leslie \$2,450, Ken Carson \$1,180.00, Clapper \$6,864.00. A Motion to except Ken Carson bid of \$1,180.00 with proof of insurance before starting the job was made by Councilwoman Leon, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

New Business- NYSEG sent a letter regarding the meter on the town hall. They state the meter on the town hall building is defective, and a corrected bill will be forthcoming. The fuel tank in the cold storage building is not safe, and will need repair.

Temporary Special Permits- The Middlefield Historical Association. Community Day July 8, 2018, Fall Festival September 29, 2018, Christmas Program December 2, 2018. A Motion to approve was made by Councilman Tabor, seconded by Councilwoman Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Farmer's Museum. Junior Livestock Show July 8-10, 2018. Induction Parking 7/27-30/2018. A Motion to approve was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Girls on the Run. June 3, 2018. A Motion to approve was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilwoman Leon. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

A Motion to go into executive session to discuss an employee issue was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried. A Motion to come out of executive was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Bills

General Bills-Abstract 5. Vouchers 89-109 in the amount of \$16,802.38. A Motion to approve was made by Councilman Tabor, seconded by Councilman Holohan. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Highway Bills- Abstract 5. Vouchers 59-73 in the amount of \$20,668.79. A Motion to approve was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

A Motion to adjourn at 9:30pm was made by Councilman Holohan, seconded by Councilman Tabor. Ayes-4 Nays-0. Motion carried.

Beth Moakler
Town Clerk