Regular Board Meeting – May 11, 2020 – 7 PM

Unofficial Until Approved by the Board

**Present:** Supervisor John Francisco, Councilmen: Don Skinner, Dave Gominiak, Mark Hand, and Town Clerk Kristine Young. Absent: Councilman Josh Brown and Highway Superintendent Bigelow.

All votes at this meeting were taken by roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Francisco at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to waive the reading of the last minutes and accept the minutes of the last meeting was made by Councilman Skinner. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Hand. All Councilmen and the Supervisor voted aye. There were no nay votes. The motion was carried 4-0-0.

**Guests:** Wendy Skinner from the Town of Amity Planning Board reported on the Quicklee’s project at the Belvidere, Comprehensive Plan and the Solar Low with a short discussion that followed. Craig Clark from IDA suggested the Town go in with the Village on the Comprehensive Plan. Wendy would like the Alfred College students to help but that wouldn’t be until fall when school resumes. There would need to be a committee for the village to work on the plan. There is a moratorium on development of solar and it is not a law like we need. This would have to be referred to the Town attorney. Wendy has made some handout cards for individuals that want to develop in Amity. They have instructions, names and phone numbers to contact. She also reported the buildings across from East Wind Nurseries; previously Ivan Cherry’s residence has been condemned by John Clouse, Building Inspector/Code Enforcer. John has periodically checked with the landowner regarding his plans for cleanup. A site plan was approved for Chris Enders from Belfast to put another storage unit behind the ones there at Belmont Storage on Route 19N if front of the SPCA.

**Highway Superintendent’s Report:** None

**Supervisor’s Announcements:** Councilman Skinner reported there is junk near the caretaker’s building at the cemetery that needs to be cleaned up.

Steve Guman has returned to work at the cemetery.

Supervisor Francisco told the Highway Superintendent to be careful about planning to us CHPs monies this year until the Town actually gets it. It’s possible we may not get it.

Supervisor Francisco sent a letter to the Mascho and Cartwright families on Noble Street because they are the only ones that haven’t paid their bill for the emergency water repair. They need to be advised that their water can be shutoff for nonpayment.

Supervisor Francisco and Councilman Skinner had a zoom meeting with Dave Doyle and Mary Chapel from MRB. Municipal Solutions submitted a proposal for the water project. MRB gave a proposal for professional services. There was a motion made by Councilman Gominiak to accept the contracts from MRB and Municipal Solutions as presented and to direct Supervisor Francisco to move forward with contracts by signing them. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Skinner. All Councilmen and the Supervisor voted aye. There were no nay votes. The motion was carried 4-0-0.

We received a report from the Amity Assessor. Supervisor Francisco reminded the Board members that we need to budget for the revaluation next year.

Supervisor Francisco was contacted by Bruce Cranston from P2 Solutions. He is the salesman for Tpx Communications who came to a board meeting a year ago regarding a new phone system. The Town has been receiving a bill every month from Tpx for services and we never went through with the process for many reasons. Bruce would like to come to another meeting and follow up on what happened and see if the issues can be resolved. Supervisor Francisco will set up a zoom meeting with the Town Clerk and Bruce to gather more information.

**On-Going Business:**  Highway Abstract 05 in the amount of $17957.85 and General Abstract 05 in the amount of $11882.90 were approved by the Board. A motion was made to accept the abstracts with one correction by Councilman Gominiak. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Skinner. All Councilman and Supervisor voted Aye. There were no nay votes. The motion was carried 4-0-0.

**Executive Session:** A motion was made by Councilman Skinner to move to Executive Session to discuss Highway employee’s contract. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Gominiak. All Councilmen and the Supervisor voted aye. There were no nay votes. The motion was carried 4-0-0. Begin at 8:03 pm.

Regular Session resumed at 8:25 pm.

**Next Meeting:** The next Regular Board Meeting will be June 8, 2020 at 7 pm in the Town Hall.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Councilman Skinner to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Hand. All Councilmen and Supervisor voted aye. There were no nay votes. The motion was carried 4-0-0.

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IN TESTIMONY HEREOF, I Kristine Young have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town of Amity.

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Kristine Young, Amity Town Clerk