TOWN OF BRUNSWICK
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
MAY 14, 2015, 7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL

Board Members Present: Supervisor Herrington, Councilman Sullivan, Councilman Casale and Councilman Balistreri.
Board Members Absent: Councilman Christian
Also Present: Town Attorney, Thomas Cioffi and Town Clerk, William J. Lewis.

Supervisor Herrington called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

All joined in with the salute to the flag.

VISITORS WHO WISH TO SPEAK:
None
BUSINESS MEETING:
MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Councilman Casale made a motion to accept the Minutes of the previous meetings, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved.

REPORTS:

Town Clerk: William J. Lewis

Mr. Lewis submitted a written report for the month of April. $6,817.00 will be remitted to the Supervisor's Office. Motion to accept the Town Clerk's Report was made by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Casale. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Highway Superintendent: Doug Eddy

Mr. Eddy read his report for the month of April. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Casale. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Water & Sewer Report: Bill Bradley

Mr. Bradley read his report for the month of April. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Balistreri and seconded by Councilman Casale. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Code Enforcement: Monica Nann-Smith

Ms. Nann-Smith read her report for the month of April. The report showed that $8,683.25 in fees were collected and will be remitted to the Supervisor's Office. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Casale and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Town Attorney: Thomas Cioffi

Mr. Cioffi gave his report for the month of April. Other than routine matters he has been working on a personnel issue, a property tax issue with the Assessor, document review and editing regarding bond refunding, document review and editing regarding the White Church

Bridge replacement and worked with the Water Department and Receiver of Taxes on a billing dispute. . Motion to accept the report was made by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Balistreri. Approved.

Town Historian: Sharon Zankel

Mrs. Zankel read her report for the month of April. She has continued working with local cemetery workers to identify and photograph Brunswick burial sites and to have them posted on findagrave.com. Also she was happy to report that the Hope United Methodist Church was going to honor Margaret Roden on the anniversary of her 75th year as church organist. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Casale and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Recycling Coordinator: Thomas Engster

Mr. Engster presented his report for the month of April. Motion to accept the report was made by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Library Report: Ms. Natalie Schipano

Ms. Schipano gave her Library Report for the month of April. Their new system "Sierra" has been working out well after a few hiccups and is much easier to use. Nine new patrons registered, 113 computer sessions were logged and 405 e-books and audio books were downloaded. Of special note, the Brunswick Community Library won the UHLS Youth Services Award! The award will be presented at the annual trustee dinner. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Balistreri and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 44 Resolution Declaring Items to be Surplus Property. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Casale, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Absent; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 45 Resolution Declaring Items to be Surplus Property. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Balistreri, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Absent; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 46 Resolution Adopting 2015 Town Highway Plan. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Balistreri and seconded by Councilman Sullivan, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Christian, Voting Absent; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 47 Resolution Amending the Water and Sewer Maintenance Roll for the Period of 07/01/2014 Through 12/31/2014. February 2015 Water and Sewer Roll. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Casale, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Absent; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mary Lou Foley of 10 Walter Rd. asking Supervisor Herrington to extend her thanks to the Highway Department for their great work plowing this winter and for the spring cleanup that has been done.

Pittstown Town Supervisor Edwin King Jr. wrote to Supervisor Herrington and Highway Superintendent Doug Eddy, thanking the town for assisting their Highway Department with major repairs on their dirt roads which were heavily damaged during the March "winter thaw".

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Sullivan had a few items to mention. First, he advised the board that he was looking at the Town's investment policy with Pioneer Bank, and that it may be beneficial to make some changes. Second, in regards to the bonding for the White Church Bridge project, it may be possible that Rensselaer County would buy the bonds, potentially saving a good deal of money on interest payments. Lastly, he reminded everyone that we still need to follow up on tree removal around the mausoleum at Forest Pak Cemetery.

Councilman Balistreri mentioned that he and Supervisor Herrington had met with members of Mohawk Ambulance to discuss a few service issues.

WARRANTS: Warrants No. 4241501 through 4241513, No. 5081501 through 5081512, No. 4101501 through 4101512 and No. 150421 through 150550 were presented. Supervisor Herrington made a motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Councilman Casale. Approved.

FURTHER COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Casale made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Supervisor Herrington. Approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Lewis
Town Clerk

Note: An audio compact disc of this meeting is available in the Town Clerk's Office.