

TOWN OF NORFOLK
TOWN BOARD MEETING

JULY 13, 2016

The Norfolk Town Board held a monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Norfolk Town Hall.

Present were Supervisor Charles Pernice, Deputy Supervisor Robert Harvey, Councilman Donald Purvis, Councilwoman Jean Gang and Councilman Paul Paige.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Pernice called meeting to order.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution # 12 of 2016: A Resolution Declaring August 6th, 2016 Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department Appreciation Day: Resolution #12 was reviewed and adopted as submitted with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried.

LIBRARY WINDOWS

Mr. Timothy Opdyke had mentioned to the Town Board that the Norfolk Library needs 13 windows replaced. There is a grant that the State will pay 50%. The Library Board would like the Town Board to split the remaining balance with them which would be between \$4000.00 and \$5000.00 for the Town to pay.

A motion was made by Supervisor Pernice and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to help pay for the library windows. All in Favor – Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 8, 2016 Town Board meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried.

SUPERVISORS UPDATE

Supervisor Pernice noted that the Health Insurance Plan that the Town Employees are on is not going to be available for 2017. To replace that plan to something similar is going to be a higher deductible and an 80 / 20 copay. Supervisor Pernice is going to look into other plans and get back to the Town Board.

Town Budget Officer Bill Dashnaw mentioned checking into St. Lawrence County's Health Plan. He is going to check into this for the Town Board to see if Towns can join the same plan. Mr. Dashnaw will get the information and get it back to the Town Board.

REPORTS

Monthly Police Report: The monthly report of the Norfolk Police Department was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried.

Officer Dan Holmes introduced Fay Jenks to the Town Board as a new hire. Mr. Jenks is fully qualified for the job. He is ready to start work. A motion was made by Supervisor Pernice and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to approve the hiring of Fay Jenks as a Part Time Police Officer. All in Favor – Carried.

Monthly Code Enforcement Report: There was discussion on the old Debien house in Raymondville and the house previously known as the Kaiser house in Norfolk. The monthly report of CEO Halpern was reviewed and submitted with a motion by Councilman Purvis and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried.

Monthly Town Clerk Report: The monthly report of the Town Clerk Kathy Emlaw was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried.

Monthly Court Report: The monthly report of the Justice Court was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried.

Highway Verbal Report: The Town Board asked Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave which roads were going to be paved and how many miles total of paving. Mr. Villnave told the Town Board that Porter Lynch Road, Murphy Road, and Stark Road were to be paved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was not required at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no further communications to share at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

NORWOOD NORFOLK YOUTH BASEBALL: The annual contract with Norwood Norfolk Youth Baseball in the amount of \$650.00 for 2016 was reviewed and approved with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried.

NORWOOD NORFOLK YOUTH SOCCER: The annual contract with Norwood Norfolk Youth Soccer in the amount of \$650.00 for 2016 was reviewed and approved with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried.

EVA ENACHE’S REQUEST: Councilman Paige would like to see the Town give water bill credits to landlords with no tenants as long as the landlords were to sign stating that the apartments were vacant. There was discussion. Deputy Supervisor Harvey would like to see the landlord put a valve on the water line that is approved by the Highway department that can be locked by the highway department in order to receive any credit from the town for any water bills. There was more discussion.

Councilman Paige made a motion to give Eva Enache 8 months credit on her water bill. Supervisor Pernice asked for a roll call vote. The roll call vote was taken and the following voted in favor, Councilman Paige and Councilman Purvis. Voted against were Supervisor Pernice and Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilwoman Gang. The motion failed to carry. There was further discussion on landlords asking for credits on water bills on unrented apartments.

The following motion, made by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Supervisor Pernice was proposed: Any landlord that wants a credit for water bills has to have their water isolated and shut off prior to the quarter .The valve has to be approved by the Highway Department, and then the Highway Department will lock out the valve to the unrented apartment. A roll call vote was taken and the following

voted in favor, Councilwoman Gang, Deputy Supervisor Harvey, Councilman Purvis, and Supervisor Pernice. Voted against was Councilman Paige. The motion was Carried.

Resolution #13 of 2016: Budget transfer for Sidewalks. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to adopt Resolution # 13 of 2016 approving the transfer of funds from the Contingency Account to the Sidewalks CE account in the amount of \$4250.00. All in Favor – Carried.

Recreation Report for Arena 2014-2015 Season: There was discussion on the arena. Supervisor Pernice mentioned that the arena needs painting and the front steps of the Norfolk Town Hall need to be repaired or replaced. The Bonds for the highway garage and for the arena will be done the end of 2016. The budgeted amount for those bonds could go toward the repairs for the arena and the Norfolk Town Hall front steps and to help with the tax cap.

Town Budget Officer Bill Dashnaw spoke with the town board on the upcoming 2017 Budget Schedule. The Town Board is going to meet at 6:00 PM on August 10th 2016 Board meeting to discuss the upcoming budget process.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Gang spoke on the Danc training and said it was very interesting and informative.

Councilman Purvis would like to see the Norfolk Police patrol downtown Norfolk during the daytime. Councilman Purvis also would like to see the Norfolk Police patrol High Street as there are large trucks using that road because of the Furnace Street Bridge being closed.

Deputy Supervisor Harvey asked Highway Superintendent Larry Villnave if the Tiernan Ridge bridge project will be done this year. Highway Superintendent Villnave said it is on the schedule this year to come down. Deputy Supervisor Harvey also asked Highway Superintendent Villnave if the corner by Denise Dorey can be trimmed back and the road by Maslins needs to have brush trimmed back but realizes that one is a County Road.

Councilman Paige wanted to know if there was any word about the County working on the Furnace Street road as it is in very bad shape. Councilman Paige also asked the town board what was going on with the Court Clerk position.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

The June Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$203,677.10 were reviewed and approved for payment with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Supervisor Pernice. All in Favor – Carried.

Supervisor – Charles Pernice

Deputy Supervisor – Robert Harvey

Councilman – Donald Purvis

Councilwoman – Jean Gang

Councilman – Paul Paige

Dated July 13, 2016

Tammy K Sweet - Deputy Town Clerk