

Town of Norfolk
Norfolk Town Board
September 13, 2017

The Norfolk Town Board held a monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 07:15 PM.

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 the meeting to order and apologized for the delay in the start of the meeting due to the budget work session running late.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*The minutes of the August 09, 2017 Town Board meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

*The minutes of the August 21, 2017 Special Meeting of the Town Board were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilman Purvis and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried

*The minutes of the September 05, 2017 Special Meeting of the Town Board were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

*Cook Street Water Project: Supervisor Pernice noted that the contractors have completed the main water line located in the Village of Massena and will be ready to break ground on the remaining Norfolk portion beginning September 25, 2017.

REPORTS

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

*Monthly Code Enforcement Report: The monthly report of CEO Leonard Halpern was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilman Purvis and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried

*Monthly Town Clerk Report: The monthly report of Town Clerk Kathy Emlaw was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried

*Monthly Dog Control Report: The monthly report of Dog Control Officer Adam Smith was reviewed. The report of the previous month was re-submitted with corrections and reviewed. Both reports were approved as submitted with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried

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

*Verbal Highway Report: Acting Highway Superintendent Peter Darabon reported that the County will be in town on Thursday to help complete the shoulders of the newly paved roads.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was not required at this time.

COMMUNICATINS

Supervisor Pernice had no communications to share at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

*Proclamation: A motion was made by Councilman Purvis and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to approve a Proclamation declaring September 17th – 23rd Constitution Week. All in Favor – Carried

*Resignation: A motion was made by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to accept the resignation of Kevin Smith from the Zoning Board of Appeals. All in Favor – Carried

*Resignation: A motion was made by Councilman Purvis and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to accept the resignation of Irene Monroe from the Museum Board. All in Favor – Carried

*Resignation: A motion was made by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to accept the resignation of Louis Fiacco from the Zoning Board of Appeals. All in Favor – Carried

*Re-Appointment: A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Paige to re-appoint Natalie Todd LaBarge to another five year term on the Housing Authority Board. (Councilman Purvis abstained) Four in Favor – Carried

*Appointment: A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilwoman Gang to appoint Russ Burnap to the Zoning Board of Appeals. All in Favor – Carried

*Resolution #13 of 2017: A Resolution to approve budgetary transfers was reviewed and adopted as submitted with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried (Copy Attached)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

*Deputy Supervisor Harvey stated that the Tiernan Ridge Road looks great. He asked about the shoulder work and noted that the Madrid end has been trimmed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

*Sallie Brothers of 177 River Road presented the Board with a petition signed by 91 residents of River Road requesting the Town Board to pass a resolution to send the petition on to the County Highway Superintendent with a request to perform a traffic volume and speed study on the 2 mile stretch of River Road between Norfolk and Raymondville. They would like to see the speed reduced from 55MPH to 40MPH and rumble strips placed near the ends and in the middle. There was discussion. Several residents expressed concerns about how dangerous it is with people driving so fast on the newly paved road. The residents have requested more law enforcement on River

Road and another 30MPH speed sign placed around the corner from the first one. There were 18 residents present at the meeting. A resident suggested that the St. Lawrence County Health Initiative would provide flashing speed equipment to the town. Supervisor Pernice noted that he is looking into one.

A motion was made by Supervisor Pernice and Councilman Purvis to accept the petition and file form TE9A with the County Highway Superintendent. All in Favor – Carried

*Sherry Smith a resident of Woodland Drive in Raymondville noted that the Town Board had met with the Town Attorney and asked what the results were with the water issue. Supervisor Pernice gave Mrs. Smith a copy of the letter Attorney Eric Gustafson had written for her. There was discussion. She was not happy with the Town’s decision to not take any action on the issue.

Supervisor Pernice explained that the only way the Town would be able to work on any of the drainage in that area would be to form a district. The residents would need to present a petition requesting a district be formed.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

The September Abstract of Vouchers was reviewed and approved for payment in the amount of \$292,030.47 plus \$15,254.40 to Midland Asphalt Materials, Inc. with a motion by Councilman Paige and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried

Supervisor – Charles Pernice

Deputy Supervisor – Robert Harvey

Councilman – Donald Purvis

Councilwoman – Jean Gang

Dated: September 13, 2017

Councilman – Paul Paige

Kathy M. Emlaw – Norfolk Town Clerk

