Town of Norfolk

Norfolk Town Board

05/09/2018

The Norfolk Town Board held a monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 09, 2018 at 07:00 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. Also present was new Deputy Town Clerk Jill Molnar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Pernice called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the 04/08/2018 Town Board meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Supervisor Pernice noted that there will be an \$8.00 per unit increase in the debt part of the Cook Street water billing by the Town of Massena to correct an error.

REPORTS

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

*Monthly Dog Control Report: The monthly report of Dog Control Officer Jim McConkey was reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilman Purvis and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

Deputy Supervisor Harvey noted the savings difference in cost with Mr. McConkey as Dog Control Officer.

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

*Verbal Highway Report: Highway Superintendent Peter Darabon was not present for a report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Councilman Paige and Councilwoman Gang to go into an Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person.

The meeting reconvened. A motion was made by Supervisor Pernice and Deputy Supervisor Harvey to hire Jonathan Mitchell and Jordan LaMay as Part-time Police Officers sponsored for the Academy. All in Favor – Carried

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications to share at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

*Approve wages for new Deputy Town Clerk: A motion was made by Councilman Paige and Councilwoman Gang to approve wages for new Deputy Town Clerk Jill Molnar at a rate of \$12.27 for six months, then an increase of \$.75 to \$13.02 for six months and then another increase of \$.75 to the current rate of \$13.77. All in Favor – Carried

*Planning Board Appointment: A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Purvis to approve the appointment of Richard Planty to the Planning Board for a five year term effective now. All in Favor – Carried

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Purvis brought up discussion about all of the issues of debris and garbage all over town. He noted that it was not the fault of CEO Halpern, but that there does not seem to be any follow-up with the Court. There was discussion.

*Deputy Supervisor Harvey asked Supervisor Pernice if the \$50,000.00 grant through Senator Griffo (if acquired) can be used for cleaning up these properties. There was more discussion on the dilapidated homes and properties and possible ways to clean them up. No solutions were acquired.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A Motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilwoman Gang to approve payment of the May Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$189,228.12. All in Favor – Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Dale (Butch) Lavigne thanked Deputy Supervisor Harvey for the installation of a nice trophy case at the arena.

Supervisor Pernice asked the Board to vote on insurance. There was discussion. A motion was made by Supervisor Pernice and Deputy Supervisor Pernice that all retirees will be locked into the current insurance plan at the time of their retirement. This is pending the opinion of Town Attorney Eric Gustafson. Councilman Paige would like to see changes made to the next contract instead. A roll call vote was taken: Supervisor Pernice – Yes / Councilwoman Gang – Yes / Councilman Purvis – Yes / Deputy Supervisor Harvey – Yes / Councilman Paige – No / Carried

ADJOURNMENT

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

Supervisor – Charles Pernice Deputy Supervisor – Robert Harvey

Councilman – Donald Purvis Councilwoman – Jean Gang

Councilman - Paul Paige

Dated: May 09, 2018 Kathy M. Emlaw - Norfolk Town Clerk