

Town of Norfolk
Norfolk Town Board Meeting
May 13, 2020

The Norfolk Town Board held its Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 3:00 PM at the Norfolk Town Hall.

Present were Supervisor Charles Pernice, Councilman Donald Purvis, Councilwoman Jean Gang, and Councilman Paul Paige. Deputy Supervisor Robert Harvey was not present.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Pernice called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the 4/8/2020 Town Board Meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried

SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

- Supervisor Pernice noted that an attorney was found, and consulted with, to see if property owners would have any legal recourse to prevent additional taxes being added on future Massena Central School District (MCSD) bills should the upcoming Massena Public Library Proposition pass. The vote to determine whether the Massena Public Library will remain funded by the Town of Massena or become a school district public library funded by property owners in the MCSD will be held June 9, 2020 when residents vote on the MCSD Budget. Supervisor Pernice asked the board if they would support doing a mailing to all Town of Norfolk residents in the MCSD to raise awareness of the upcoming vote.
 - A motion to allocate funds (~ \$600) for this mailing was approved with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor - Carried

- Supervisor Pernice also noted that our region (North County) had successfully met the State's requirements to begin COVID-19 Phase I re-opening beginning this Friday May 15, 2020. The Town of Norfolk will open the Town Offices back up to the public but masks will be required to be worn by anyone coming in.

REPORTS

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

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

*Monthly Dog Control Report: The monthly report of Dog Control Officer James McConkey was reviewed and approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried

*Monthly Court Report: The monthly (March & April) report of the Court was reviewed and approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried

*Verbal Highway Report: Highway Superintendent Peter Darabon noted the following:

- Nortrax fixed the backhoe at no charge.
- The 2012 Int'l truck had to have the valve replaced (for the 3rd time) \$6.300. The 2013 Int'l truck has the turbo error again. Both trucks are lemons. Supervisor Pernice filed a claim to see if some of the repair costs associated with these two vehicles can be recovered from International.
- CHIPS – We (nor any of the other towns in the area) have received notification from the state regarding availability of these funds. Last year, the notification letter arrived 4/26/2019. Seems the state is

waiting to see if additional funds are going to be given to the state in the next proposed COVID-19 stimulus bill. Comments have been made by Governor Cuomo that the state may hold back 20%.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This meeting was closed to the public due to need to adhere to COVID-19 social distancing guidelines.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ACTION ITEMS

- * Acceptance of Loris King's resignation from the Library Board was approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor - Carried
- * Appointment of Lee Mittelstaedt to the Library Board was approved with a motion by Councilman Purvis and Councilman Paige. All in Favor - Carried
- * Payment of DANC Invoice for \$750.00 for GIS Web-Based Hosting (Highway Dept's Water Cut-Off tracking) was approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor - Carried
- * Agreement to Spend Highway Funds was approved with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor - Carried

General Repairs:	\$437,887.00
Improvements of Town Highways:	
Adams Road	\$ 68,286.00
Old Market Road	\$ 8,536.00
O'Brien Road	\$ 21,340.00

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF BILLS

The May Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$57,877.25 was reviewed and approved for payment with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried

ADJOURNMENT

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

Supervisor – Charles Pernice
Deputy Supervisor – Robert Harvey
Councilman – Donald Purvis
Councilwoman – Jean Gang
Councilman – Paul Paige

Dated: May 13, 2020
Jill M. Molnar – Norfolk Town Clerk