

Town of Norfolk
Norfolk Town Board Meeting
October 15, 2020

The Norfolk Town Board held its Monthly Meeting on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the Norfolk Town Hall.

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

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Pernice called the meeting to order at 6:15pm (immediately following the completion of the preceding 2021 Budget Work Session).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the 9/9/2020 2021 Budget Work Session were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor - Carried

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SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Supervisor Pernice noted that he had received quotes from 3 different companies to install new video surveillance equipment on town properties. Barkley's Safe & Lock, Alltech Integrations and NCC Systems. Barkely's and Alltech were most competitive, the major difference being that the Alltech quote included higher quality cameras. There was discussion. Decision to have Supervisor Pernice move the process forward by contacting Barkely's to see if they can provide the higher quality cameras as well as approval to

spend up to \$4,410.64 was approved with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Harvey and Councilwoman Gang. AIF – Carried.

REPORTS

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

*Monthly Dog Control Report: The monthly reports (August & September) of Dog Control Officer James McConkey were reviewed and approved as submitted with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried

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

COMMUNICATIONS

County Legislator John Burke gave an update regarding the sales tax allocation situation. Ogdensburg was given a 1 year extension and allocation will remain the same through 2021. Due to their classification as a City (the only city in St. Lawrence County) they receive ~ \$900,000 - \$1,000,000 more each year from sales tax collected than the rest of the municipalities. The County Legislators will continue to work on reaching an agreement for post 2021.

Supervisor Pernice noted that the county completed work repairing the Furnace Street Bridge. There was discussion around the fact that the bridge is of complex design with the damn owner (Brookfield Power New York) actually owning a portion of the supporting structure.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was requested by Supervisor Pernice to discuss the employment history of a particular person. Executive session request was approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. AIF – Carried. The executive session was held and no action was taken.

REPORTS (continued)

*Verbal Highway Report: Highway Superintendent Peter Darabon had the following updates:

- Work on the sewer plant pumps has been completed.
- Sand Pile work is completed.
- 2012 Int'l dump truck had to go back to Stadium to have repairs made again. \$7,500 for this bill. So far this year we've spent \$18,000 in repairs for the 2 Int'l trucks.

- The fireman's field (corner of Clinton and Park): Continuing discussion about clearing out the space so it can be used for additional parking for the area. The NFD indicated that they may be interested in having the town take it over if the town is willing to do the cleanup. There was discussion. The town agreed to take responsibility for cleaning up the space in exchange for being able to use it for additional parking with a motion by Supervisor Pernice and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. AIF – Carried. Highway Superintendent Peter Darabon will take this back to the NFD to see if they'll agree.

ACTION ITEMS

* Refund of Sally Sutter's Variance Application fee and 2nd Building Permit Fee was approved with a motion from Supervisor Pernice and Councilwoman Gang. All in Favor – Carried.

* Appointment of Martin Bregg as Chairperson of the Norfolk Zoning Board of Appeals was approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor - Carried

* Resolution #19-2020 Adoption of the Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1) was approved with a

motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried.

* Resolution #20-2020 Budget Transfers were approved with a motion by Councilman Paige and Councilman Purvis. All in Favor – Carried.

Highway Fund DA

From:	51421.3	Snow Removal PS	\$ 19,265.00
To:	51424.3	Snow Removal CE	\$ 19,265.00

General Fund A

From:	19904.1	Contingency	\$ 107.82
To:	90508.1	Unemployment	\$ 107.82

* Preliminary 2021 Budget was approved with a motion by Councilman Paige and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried.

* Preliminary 2021 Budget Public Hearing was scheduled for 11/12/2020 at 5:30pm and was approved with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Councilman Paige. All in Favor – Carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilwoman Gang had a resident request that the road (shoulders) be scraped on Mill Rd near Lacombe Rd so they can mow. Highway Superintendent Darabon acknowledged that he knew of the situation and would take care of it.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

The October Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of **\$49,269.43** was reviewed and approved for payment with a motion by Councilwoman Gang and Deputy Supervisor Harvey. All in Favor – Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Dated: October 16, 2020
Jill M. Molnar – Norfolk Town Clerk