

TOWN BOARD MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
December 28, 2017
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councilpersons: Kevin Armstrong, Leonard Govern, Patty Wood, Supervisor Charles Gregory, Hwy. Supt Walt Geidel, Attorney Carly Walas and Town Clerk Ronda Williams

OTHERS PRESENT: Steven Dutcher

ABSENT: Luis Rodriguez-Betancourt

FLOOR TIME:

Dog Control Dutcher approached the Board to provide them with an update on the past due dog licenses. DCO Dutcher stated the list is down to 66 from the previous 78. His next step is to go door to door and start taking unlicensed dogs.

Supervisor Gregory questioned if law enforcement accompanies him when he needs to confiscate dogs? DCO Dutcher stated it depends on the circumstances.

Councilman Armstrong questioned the cost to the town when so many dogs need to be picked up. DCO Dutcher stated the dogs would be taken to the Humane Society and the owner would have to pay a redemption fee after they license their dog at the town office in order to get their dog back. In the case a dog is left at the Humane Society too long, it would be adopted out and there would be a fee to the town.

Flood Plain Manager Dutcher reported that the application for funding through the CWC has been submitted for the Lower Third Brook Road property. Supervisor Gregory informed the Board that he and Flood Plain Manager Dutcher will attend the next CWC meeting just in case there are questions about the project.

Councilman Armstrong questioned if the property owned by Butch Neale is a bigger hazard with the large pile of gravel near the stream? Floodplain Manager Dutcher stated although that could be a problem, the current flood maps show the water was contained within the banks.

Councilman Armstrong questioned if the CWC funding would be for the whole lot clean up? Floodplain Manager Dutcher stated it would be.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Supervisor Gregory informed the Board of the Governor's Executive Order for tax collectors to accept early tax payments. He explained that it is still questionable if the IRS will accept the early payments. He quoted the Governor's statement in the Daily News, "We're doing it to circumvent the bill the president just signed," Cuomo said. "You're damn right I am."

I explained that we had just received the tax rolls this afternoon and the problem associated with receiving the rolls so late in December. Tax Collectors do not have enough time to properly review the roll or get the escrow payments out before January 1, and now adding the receipt of early tax payments just adds to a very busy time.

Councilman Armstrong questioned what impact will the NY Paid Family Leave program have on the town? Supervisor Gregory explained that this is an employee funded insurance program.

Supervisor Gregory reminded the Board that the contracts will be coming up for Assessor, Code Enforcement Officer, and Union employees.

Supervisor Gregory stated he would like to do more with the committees and should anyone have a committee request, to let him know. He expects more activity this year while the Planning Board is revising the Comprehensive Plan.

Supervisor Gregory presented the payment schedule that is to be attached to the flood gauge agreement that the Board previously approved.

He reminded the Board that the County Planning Department will be here next month with complete Flood Plain Analyst Plans for the West Branch Delaware River Local Flood Analysis (LFA) and East Branch, West Brook and Third Brook LFA.

Reported that he will be meeting with NYSDOT and the Mayor to talk about the request for replacing the parking space lines and adding cross walks along Delaware Street.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

RESOLUTION #156

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Wood approving the vouchers as presented for payment. All in favor, motion carried.

General Fund A	#302-315-	\$ 8,747.53
General OV B	#	
General Hwy DA	#145-151	\$10,670.32
OV Hwy DB	#52-53	\$1,806.95

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None requested

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION #157

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Govern, seconded by Wood to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronda Williams
Town Clerk