

May 14, 2014

Supervisor William Weber called the regular meeting of the Pulteney Town Board to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at the Pulteney Town Hall with Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were: Supervisor William Weber; Councilman Nancy Cole; Councilman Richard Musso; Councilman Mark Illig; Councilman Kathleen Burns; Bookkeeper Joyce Apenowich and Town Clerk Theresa Keeseey.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Illig to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2014 meeting. All in favor. Carried.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to make a transfer in the Highway Account from D5130.2 in the amount of \$500.00 to D5132.46. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to make a transfer in the Water District Account from SW8340.41 in the amount of \$300.00 to SW8340.4 and from SW8340.41 in the amount of \$1,500.00 to SW8340.4. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to make a transfer in the General Account from A1620.2 in the amount of \$105.00 to A1355.4 and from A1620.2 in the amount of \$352.00 to A1410.4 and from A1620.2 in the amount of \$420.00 to A1620.45 and from A1670.44 in the amount of \$50.00 to A1670.45. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Supervisor Weber pointed out on the Profit & Loss Statements that the town has used 43% of the money budgeted in the General Fund, 68% in the Water Department Fund, and 34% in the Highway Department Fund.

The bank balances for each account prior to the paying of tonight's vouchers, stand at; \$269,691.24 in the General Account, \$73,117.82 in the Water Department Account, and \$499,392.76 in the Highway Department Account.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to pay General Bills in the amount of \$797.43 being vouchers No. 14-45 and No. 14-62 on Abstract No. 5a and General Bills in the amount of \$5,500.46 being vouchers No. 14-63 to No. 14-80 on Abstract No. 5. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Councilman Musso made motion seconded by Councilman Cole to pay Highway Bills in the amount of \$25,644.08 being vouchers No. 14-98 to No. 14-116 on Abstract No. 5 and Highway Bills in the amount of \$6,592.26 being vouchers No. 14-96 and No. 14-97 on Abstract No. 5a. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Illig to pay Water District No. 1 Bills in the amount of \$2,194.34 being vouchers No. 14-34 to No. 14-38 on Abstract No. 5 and Water District No. 1 Bills in the amount of \$152.79 being voucher No. 14-33 on Abstract No. 5a. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Supervisor Weber made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to allow Supervisor Weber to approve the resolution to transfer funds to the Highway Capital Reserve in the amount of \$105,000.00. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

A presentation was given by James Johnson for the Steuben County Industrial Development Agency.

Clerk Keesey reported that the rabies clinic had been successfully completed with the vaccination of 42 animals. She also reported that she has passed her notary exam and is now in the process of applying for her notary license. The clerk also asked for permission to advertise the Town of Pulteney's Memorial Day Celebration in The Shopper. Supervisor Weber made motion seconded by Councilman Burns to advertise the clinic. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to receive and place on file the following reports: Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) & Watershed Officer, Zoning Officer; Water Plant Operator; Dog Control Officer; Historian and Justice. All in favor. Carried.

Water Plant Operator Forenz mentioned that he has been approached by the Town of Jerusalem about the idea of purchasing a fusing machine together and share it when necessary. He presented two different quotes in the amounts of \$4,100.00 and \$4,300.00. The towns (Pulteney, Jerusalem, and possibly Milo) would share the cost and use of the tool.

There have been some concerns with the town's involvement with KWIC. There is confusion on how involved KWIC should be when it comes to inspections and tests of systems. The board is still waiting to for some sort of resolution with KWIC. In the meantime, Councilman Musso made motion seconded by Supervisor Weber to send a letter to all engineers who have expressed interest in doing work in the Town of Pulteney, stating that the engineers should direct all contact to Lauren Welch, and not someone from KWIC. All in favor. Carried.

Supervisor Weber reported that there had been a meeting with Cindy Gibbs where she was told that the Town will be filing a civil suit against her and seeking an order to remove any dogs from her property that exceed the limit of seven. Ms. Gibbs reported that she would move before she allowed any of her dogs to be removed.

Supervisor Weber reported that he has found some individuals who are willing to give depositions regarding the lack of use of Gibson Road as a public road.

Councilman Musso made motion seconded by Councilman Cole to allow Supervisor Weber to

sign the Gravel Contract that was drawn up and approved by the Pulteney Fire Dept. All in favor. Carried. Fire Chief Forenz will take both signed contracts back to the Department to have them signed and notarized, and will then return one copy back to the Town Clerk.

Councilman Illig made motion seconded by Councilman Cole to accept Neal Perkins' bid to patch/repair drywall, stain block water damage, and paint bathroom, stairwell, and steps in the Ambulance Barn in the amount of \$600.00. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Supervisor Weber reported that the Planning Board does not want to revisit/revamp the Proposed Sign Laws. They have stated that the town will be liable if they choose to allow people to place signs in the right of way. Supervisor Weber has asked our attorney whether or not we would in fact be liable and he has also asked our insurance company if we would be covered in the event that we were found liable. The board will visit these issues again once the appropriate responses have been received and make any revisions necessary to the proposed law.

A local business has also called wondering if they could have their business advertised on the town signs. Supervisor Weber will speak with the Havills and see if they may be interested in sharing space on the sign located on Darby's Corner's Rd.

Supervisor Weber reported on a meeting held in Branchport on May 6th that dealt with FEMA and possible flood insurance coverage for citizens. There are a few properties that could benefit from this insurance in the Town of Pulteney and it could possibly lower the premiums of current policy holders. However, it was made clear that there are only 71 policies held in Pulteney and this would only result in a minimal savings for those customers.

Supervisor Weber reported that Congressman Tom Reed will be speaking at Pulteney's Memorial Day Celebration on May 26, 2014.

Supervisor Weber made motion seconded by Councilman Cole to hire Terry Channing to fix the plumbing problems at the Town Hall. There are some leaks in the systems leading to the outdoor water fountain. Roll call vote: Councilman Musso, yes; Councilman Illig, yes; Councilman Burns, yes; Councilman Cole, yes; Supervisor Weber, yes. Carried.

Councilman Burns gave an update on the Community Garden. There is no charge to adopt a raised bed and they will be given out on a first come first serve basis. Community members may use everything they grow for themselves and are graciously asked to donate any extras to the food pantry. The Community Garden is also accepting any and all donations. The rules and regulations for the Community Garden will be posted on the Town's website.

Councilman Burns also reported on the status of the Summer Youth Program. She has received notice that the program will be held at the Hammondsport Fire Pavilion due to construction at the school. She was also told the cost per child is not figured out until after the program has been completed. Pulteney has budgeted \$3,500.00 to pay for their portion of this program.

Councilman Cole made motion seconded by Councilman Musso to adjourn. All in favor.

Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Town Clerk

A Resolution to Transfer Funds to the Highway Capital Reserve

There is sufficient unexpended funds in the Highway Money Market Account to transfer a portion of the money to the existing Highway Capital Reserve.

The resolution calls for \$105,000.00 to be transferred to the Highway Capital Reserve with the stipulation that in 2015, \$45,000.00 be taken from the Highway Capital Reserve to make the first payment on the loader we are leasing.