

YEAR-END BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 30, 2013

The Gerry Town Board met December 30, 2013 for the year end board meeting.

Present were: John R. Crossley, Supervisor
Robert B. Heitzenrater Councilman
Gary J. Swan, Councilman
Richard C. Heath, Councilman
Linda D. Bartholomew, Councilwoman
Recia L. Myers, Town Clerk
Brian Anderson, Deputy Highway Superintendent

Supervisor Crossley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with proof of publication provided by the Town Clerk.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 47 - 2013. 2013 Budget Transfer. Motion by Councilman Heitzenrater; seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

The Annual Audit Meeting is set for January 15, 2014 at 4:30 PM.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Town Board discussed the pay rate of the MEO Trainee position and decided to leave it at \$11.97 and they discussed the idea of changing it depending on someone's skill level if they are qualified. The Town Board suggested maybe they could override the pay if they are experienced and Supervisor Crossley will contact the Town Attorney to see if this is possible.

Supervisor Crossley noted there was an error in the newspaper regarding the tax rate increase and he had them fix it ASAP.

Supervisor Crossley asked the Town Attorney, William Duncanson, Jr., if being that Todd Anderson and Brian Anderson as elected officials being related would be a conflict during the budget process and he checked on this and determined that Todd Anderson as newly elected Councilman could okay the bills but cannot take part in the determination of the salary of Brian Anderson, newly elected Highway Superintendent, he must recuse himself from the negotiating with anything to do with the Highway Superintendent but can take part in the rest of the Highway negotiating.

NEW BUSINESS:

Local Law NO. 1 of 2014 was introduced to regulate the Operation of Snowmobiles on Public Highways and places in the Town of Gerry.

Supervisor Crossley noted that they need to look for BAR member as Todd Anderson cannot serve in the position anymore being a Councilman. Councilman Swan may have someone in mind and will let the board know.

A meeting is going to be scheduled sometime in January with the accountants and Brian Anderson to discuss the budget process.

Councilman Swan asked if the Town needs to hire an MEO and after discussion an ad in the paper will be placed in January 2014.

Brian Anderson, Deputy Highway Superintendent, asked about a fire safe at the garage as they currently do not have one and he will check into quotes and get back to the Town Board. Also, he has contacted Southern Tier West regarding taking computer classes and a possibility of purchasing a computer for a decent price through them and will let the Board know about it with more details later.

Brian Anderson asked Councilwoman Bartholomew about the email account and she will get him one at the beginning of next year.

Brian Anderson, also noted that his computer at the garage needs to be cleaned out and he is going to contact some techs to get quotes of what it would cost to do this.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

General Fund Vouchers #368 - #379 totaling \$1,098.88. Motion to pay by Councilman Heath seconded by Councilwoman Bartholomew. Approved.

Highway Fund Vouchers #209 - #215 totaling \$6,780.42. Motion to pay by Councilman Swan; seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The 2014 Organizational meeting will be held January 2, 2014 in the town hall commencing at 6:00 PM.

The regular monthly Board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, January 9, 2014 at the town hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM on a motion by Councilman Heitzenrater; seconded by Councilman Swan.

Minutes taken by

Recia L. Myers
Town Clerk