REGULAR MEETING WOLCOTT TOWN BOARD – February 15, 2022

A regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board was held Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall with the following people present:

PRESENT - Supervisor - Lynn Chatfield

Councilman - Adam Ellis, Jr. (ABSENT)

Councilman - Daniel Youngman

Councilman – Ray Hauss

Councilman – Jorden Brown

OTHERS PRESENT - Jessica Freer, Town Clerk; Amber Roberts, Assessor/Supervisor's Clerk; Don Camp, Code Enforcement Officer; Zach Decker, Highway Superintendent, Karli Starczewski, Assessor's Clerk, Brandy Starczewski, 5835 Delf Dr., Wolcott, River Freer, Student; James Werner, Spectrum; Lori Furguson, 7870 North Maple Rd., Wolcott.

Copies presented to the Town Board:

- 1. Minutes of January 18, 2022 (Regular Meeting)
- 2. General Fund Claims (Unaudited)
- 3. Highway Fund Claims (Unaudited)
- 4. Port Bay SD Fund Claims (Unaudited)

The Supervisor's, Town Clerk's, Justices, Code Enforcement Officer's, and Highway Superintendent's reports were presented to the Town Board.

Supervisor Chatfield called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. Pledge of Allegiance –

<u>GENERAL BUSINESS</u> –

1. Spectrum - Lynn said Spectrum came to the Town Hall last week to overview the building and assess our needs for new phone system. Spectrum submitted an estimate which Lynn emailed to the Board prior to the meeting. James attended the meeting to speak with the Board to see if there were any questions or concerns, they might have. James had his engineer Joel on the phone as well, the Board asked a variety of question regarding the services, maintenance, and the contract. After all questions had been asked James thanked the Board and left the meeting.

James left at 6:22 PM

<u>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE</u> – No Correspondence this month.

A motion was made by Ray Hauss, seconded by Dan Youngman to accept the minutes of January 18, 2022, and departmental reports.

VOTE - AYES_4_ NAYS_0_.

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS -

GENERAL ACCOUNT - Claims #32 thru #64 - total - \$13,141.83 HIGHWAY ACCOUNT - DA Town wide & DB Outside - total - \$60,663.76 BROWN/WADSWORTH RD WD - Claim #1 - total - \$2,176.87

A resolution was presented by Jorden Brown, moved by Dan Youngman seconded by Ray Hauss "Be it RESOLVED to pay General, Highway and Brown/Wadsworth Road Water District account claims as presented."

VOTE - AYES__4__ NAYS__0__.

ASSESSOR/SUPERVISOR'S CLERK - Amber Roberts

- 1. Amber said change of assessment notices are ready to be picked up at the real property office in Lyons, they will be mailed out prior to March 1st.
- 2. Legislation has changed regarding PILOTs for solar and wind farms. Real Property Tax Law 487 Section 9 will allow the Town to adopt a Local Law to require a pilot agreement for solar and wind farms, this will allow the Town to disregard the 60 windows for intent to set up a PILOT agreement. Amber is speaking with neighboring Towns to see if there is a Local Law, they have passed that the Town could use.

HIGHWAY - Zach Decker

- 1. Zach said the T.J. Azzolina is a full-time employee of the Highway Department again and Bob Milliman who replaced T.J. is now part-time.
- 2. Zach said he is interested in purchasing an excavator with the Town of Huron, he is waiting for quotes from a couple different companies. He said the maximum it will cost the Town is \$9,000.00. Amber asked about possible problems arising from sharing the machine, Zach said they share a variety of services already and doesn't foresee an issue with this.
- 3. Zach said he still needs a Salt Shed, there is a meeting on Friday with everyone to discuss progress and preliminary research.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER - Don Camp

1. Don received a call in Butler from ECT Engineering, he said they've done large projects across the Country and were looking to install a 50–100-acre solar farm in Town of Butler, and they were looking at Sodus and Huron as well. Don is concerned if a company would like to build in Wolcott there is nothing addressing solar farms it in our current Local Law. Don said he has the Town of Huron Local Law on solar farms that he would like the Board to review, or possibly adopt a moratorium.

TOWN CLERK - Jessica Freer

- 1. Jessica gave the Board an update on the 2022 Town & County taxes collected to date, she said there has been \$2,494,158.14 collected out of the warrant of 3.3 million or 75.57% of the warrant.
 - 2. The Town Hall will be closed on Monday, February 21, 2022, for Presidents Day.

SUPERVISOR - Lynn Chatfield

OLD BUSINESS -

- 1. <u>Land Use Code</u> A meeting needs to be arranged.
- 2. <u>Brown/Wadsworth Road Water District</u> The project is complete; a few transfers may need to be made later.
 - 3. Port Bay Sewer District The project is completed a few loose ends needs to be done.
- 4. <u>Building Maintenance</u> Spectrum was at the meeting to speak about possibly upgrading the phone lines, the back door doesn't seal properly, the front door sweep needs to be replaced, Lynn has contacted Valley Locksmith to look at the building.
 - New Keys
 - Phone lines
 - Back Door
 - Front Door
- 5. <u>Policies</u> Lynn has the In-District Sewer Connection Policy, there was just wording that needs to be revised, it will be overviewed next month with the changes. We will need to discuss an out-of-district policy in the future for residents that might be able to and want to.
 - 6. <u>Blind Sodus Bay Water District</u> The application should be at the Comptrollers office.
 - 7. <u>Update Water Feasibility Study</u> Needs to be reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS -

1. Leash Law – A meeting needs to be arranged with Ray, Gary Mettler, and Lynn to discuss this.

The next regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board will be held March 15, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall.

A motion was made by Jorden Brown, seconded by Dan Youngman, to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Freer Town Clerk