

**March 14, 2016**

**Alexander Town Board Regular Meeting and Public Hearing**

**Alexander Town Hall 7:00 p.m.**

Present: Supervisor Joseph Higley  
Town Board: Roy Haller III, David Miller, Eric Wagner, Carol Wolfley  
H'way Supt: Tom Lowe  
Town Clerk: Laura Schmieder  
Guests: Brian and Lynda Farnsworth; Jay Grasso; Gregg Torrey

Supervisor Higley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our military serving around the world.

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Wagner, and carried, the minutes of the February 8, 2016 Regular meeting and Public Hearing were approved as presented. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

Jay Grasso, staffer for Senator Michael Ranzenhofer, was present to discuss grant funding for Town projects. There have been several infrastructure grants awarded to neighboring Towns recently. The process starts with a letter addressed to Senator Ranzenhofer asking for a specific award and for a specific project. The project can be in any stage of completion. If we are interested in making such a request, a letter needs to be sent by early next week as the State budget talks are already ongoing. The Town can also make a request for more than 1 project at a time.

Jay also discussed his business called G & G Municipal Consulting and Grant Writing. He described what he would do as far as looking for available grants, what would be entailed in the administration of these grants, etc. He looks every day for new grants that are available and would let us know immediately what we should do. There would be grants for water projects, intermunicipal projects, archival grants, etc. He left his contact information.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Mercy EMS report for 1/2016; Assemblyman Hawley sponsoring a free electronics collection-4/9/2016 at 5130 E. Main, Batavia; Open House @ Oakfield Town Hall complex-4/10/2016; Publications: GC 2016 Vacation Planner, GC Office for the Aging, Genesee Sno-Packers;

**REPORTS:**

**Insurance:** Supervisor Higley met with Rosalie McGuire to discuss our upcoming renewal

**CEO/ZEO:** No report

**Building:** a) the parking lot light was replaced and works well; b) D & D Alarms were called to check our security system-window sensors were replaced; c) a new towel dispenser was installed in ladies room;

**Financial:** a) financial reports were distributed; b) GC Snow & Ice check received; c) Rebate from American Power & Gas; Agenda for AOT Finance School-5/6 & 7 in Buffalo;

**H'way Supt.:**

**Equipment:** the new truck is 4 – 6 weeks out  
New pick-up is in service, the old one was sold at auction for \$7250  
Wheel excavator – in the shop, problems being diagnosed  
Ditch bucket – at Milton Cat with a leak  
Mack truck caught the expansion joint on Route 20, being looked at

**Building:** Furnace needs to be replaced: quotes are: \$1295. Booth; \$1297. Irr; \$1989. Granger  
Roof on old building is losing shingles & overhead doors don't work. Tom told to get estimates for shingles and steel roofing and gutters

**H'way work:** Peaviner Road Project: the easements have been signed, culvert pipe delivered, erosion control mat will be \$5739.

Cold patching the worst of the potholes

Tom has his applicator license to spray roadsides, would like to continue to the next level

Tom was contacted by the school that the Field of Dreams needs work done on the driveways. It needs culvert pipes and material brought in. Right now the areas are blocked off so drivers don't catch the holes. Field of Dreams organization is supposed to maintain this area. Tom will talk to the School Supt, the Village and someone from the organization to see what can be done.

**Tax Collector:** The Feb. report was distributed. Checks were given to the Supervisor for penalty monies and Pike Road Water District.

**Senior Citizen:** Their meeting schedule and trips planned for the year were presented to the Board and posted.

**Games of Chance:** The Fire Dept. has received their Bell Jar license for 2016. Annual Report was sent to the State.

**GAM:** They are meeting 3/17 at the Corfu Community Center. Rhonda Saulsbury is the speaker.

Town Clerk and Town Justices' financial reports were read and filed.

Gregg Torrey, our County Legislator, was in attendance to talk about the Sales Tax Agreement that is being worked on. GAM has two representatives-David Hagelburger and Don Cunningham. The Committee needs to make the recommendation to the County Legislature by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**RES. NO. 19: APPROVE RFP FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

On motion by Councilperson Wagner, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, to approve the RFP for Engineering Services submitted by Mountain Engineering, PLLC for Engineering Services and Two Possible Water Districts and Master Water Planning. Yes – 5 Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

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**RES. NO. 20: SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT – HIGHWAY**

On motion by Councilperson Wagner, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, the following:  
Resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign an agreement on behalf of the Town of Alexander which authorizes the Superintendent of Highways to directly contract with the Superintendent of Highways or persons holding similar public office in other municipalities who possess similar authorization for borrowing or lending of materials and supplies and the exchanging, leasing, renting of machinery and equipment, including the operators thereof, for the purpose of aiding the Superintendent of Highways in the performance of his duties.  
**WHEREAS**, all municipalities, including the Town of Alexander have the power and authority to contract for the purpose of renting, leasing, and exchanging or borrowing of machinery and equipment, with or without operators, with other municipalities, and  
**WHEREAS**, all municipalities including the Town of Alexander have the power and authority to borrow or lend materials and supplies to other municipalities, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is hereby determined that the Town of Alexander and other municipalities have machinery and equipment which is not used at all times but lie idle during certain periods, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is determined that the Town of Alexander and other municipalities often have materials and supplies on hand which are not immediately needed, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is hereby determined that by renting, borrowing, exchanging or leasing of highway machinery and equipment and the borrowing or lending of materials and supplies, the Town of Alexander and other municipalities may avoid the necessity of purchasing certain needed highway machinery and equipment and the purchasing of or keeping a large inventory of certain extra materials and supplies, thereby saving the taxpayers money, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is recognized and determined, from a practical working arrangement, that no program of borrowing, exchanging, leasing or renting of highway machinery and equipment or individual arrangement or agreement has to receive prior approval by the Town Board and the governing board of each of the municipalities which may be parties to such agreements, since such agreements must often be made on short notice and at times when governing boards are not in session, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is incumbent upon each municipality to design a simple method whereby materials and supplies, equipment and machinery, including the operators thereof, may be quickly obtained with a minimum of paperwork and inconvenience and with swift approval process, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of this Town Board to give the Superintendent of Highways the authority to enter into renting, exchanging, borrowing and lending agreements with the persons serving in similar capacities in other municipalities without the necessity of obtaining approval of the Town Board prior to the making of each individual agreement, and  
**WHEREAS**, a standard contract has been prepared which is expected to be adopted and placed into effect in other municipalities which contract will grant the person holding the position comparable to that of Superintendent of Highways authority to make similar agreements, and  
**WHEREAS**, it is hereby determined that it will be in the best interest of the Town of Alexander to be a party to such an agreement,  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Town of Alexander the Shared Services Agreement.  
Yes – 5 Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**RES. NO. 21: APPROVE QUOTE FOR GENERATOR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE**

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Haller, and carried, to accept the quote of \$385. from Key Power Systems, Inc. for semi-annual preventive maintenance on the Kohler Generator. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**RES. NO. 22: APPROVAL TO MODIFY THE 2015 BUDGET**

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, the following:  
**WHEREAS**, the Town of Alexander received money from FEMA related to the November 2014 storm;  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Supervisor is hereby authorized to modify the 2015 Town Budget in the following manner:

DB-510 Estimated Revenues  
Sub Account DB4960 Federal Aid, FEMA \$40,000.

DB-960 Appropriations  
Sub Account DB5130.1 Machinery, Personal Services \$10,000.  
Sub Account DB5142.4 Snow Removal, Contractual 30,000.

5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**RES. NO. 23: APPROVAL FOR 2015 BUDGET TRANSFERS**

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, the following budget transfers for the 2015 Budget were approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A1355.4 Assessment Contractual	A1110.1 Justice Salary	\$ 1.00
A1355.4 “	A1410.1 Town Clerk Salary	1,004.00
A1355.4 “	A1620.2 Town Hall Contractual	4,475.00
A1355.4 “	A5010.1 H’way Supt. Salary	2,068.00
DA5148.4 Serv to Other Govts.	DA9060.8 Hosp & Med Ins.	554.00

5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

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**RES. NO. 24: APPROVAL TO PURCHASE CHAIRS**

On motion by Councilperson Wagner, seconded by Councilperson Haller, and carried, to purchase 7 new chairs for the Courtroom/Boardroom from Office Depot for not more than \$1260. The Village of Alexander has agreed to pay for 3 of them. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**RES. NO. 25: LED LIGHTING FOR HIGHWAY GARAGE**

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, the following:  
WHEREAS, the electric lighting at the Town’s Highway Garage is less efficient than current equipment, and  
WHEREAS, the anticipated payback on the investment of new lighting technology is expected to be fifty-two months,  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Highway Superintendent in authorized to make such arrangements for the replacement of the interior and exterior lighting at the Town of Alexander Highway Garage, at a cost not to exceed \$6800. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**DISCUSSION:**

Various training opportunities for all Boards  
Court Clerk pay

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, to pay the bills on Abstract #3 as follows:

General Fund A	Vouchers 39 – 65	\$32,374.09
General Fund B	Vouchers 7 - 9	564.73
Highway Fund A	Voucher 2	1,023.41
Highway Fund B	Vouchers 20 – 38	22,738.27

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Schmieder  
Town Clerk