# **DECEMBER 30, 2019, TOWN BOARD**

The end of the year meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Root, County of Montgomery and State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 1048 Carlisle Road, Sprakers, New York on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December 2019.

PRESENT: Gary Kamp Supervisor

Dominic Cuomo

LuEmma Quackenbush

John Thayer

Laurel Eriksen

Councilman

Councilman

Town Clerk

Donald Oeser Superintendent of Highways

ABSENT: John VanKersen Councilman

Robert Subik Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: Marcia Shults, Deputy Town Clerk; Donald Bramer, incoming Councilman

Supervisor Kamp opened the end of the year meeting at 6:00 PM with the pledge to the flag.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilman Thayer motioned seconded by Councilwoman Quackenbush to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2019 meeting as presented.

Ayes 4 – Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, Thayer Nays 0

## PUBLIC COMMENT / REPORTS

There were no public comments or reports for this meeting.

## **AGENDA**

Supervisor Kamp presented the agenda for the meeting. Councilwoman Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to adopt the agenda.

Ayes 4 – Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, Thayer Nays 0

#### **BUSINESS**

The Oath of Office was taken by Supervisor Kamp and incoming Councilman Bramer.

The need to close the 2019 budget year and to balance all accounts was brought to the Board and the following resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION No 14 of 2019

BOARD MEMBER Ouackenbush presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption. RESOLVED that the fiscal year 2019 be and is closed with the payment of Abstract 13 of the General Fund and Abstract 13 of the Highway Fund and that all accounts be balanced accordingly.

SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER Cuomo Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes 4 – Kamp, Cuomo, Quackenbush, Thayer Noes 0

On December 13, 2019 the NYS Division of Human Rights signed off on the Stipulation of Settlement that was approved by the Town Board at the December 11, 2019 meeting. The Attorney stated at the December 11 meeting that he would be preparing the policy, obtaining the approvals and setting up the necessary training.

Board Members were reminded of the need for a new member for the Board of Assessment Review.

Newly elected and appointed employees desiring retirement benefits will need to keep a calendar for 3 months of the time worked. This is a NYS Retirement requirement.

The following items were from correspondence.

A mobile office for Antonio Delgado will be available at the Town Hall on January 27, 2020 from 2:00-4:00 PM.

Board Members were advised that the speed reduction request for West Lykers Road and Carlisle Road was denied. According to the study done by NYS Dept of Transportation the reduction was not warranted.

A notice was received from Court Administration requesting that the audit of the court records be completed and sent to them no later than March 1, 2020.

The passing report on the Ayres Memorial Animal Shelter was received from NYS Ag and Markets.

A letter was received from NYS Dept of Ag and Markets granting the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservatory the sum of \$932,389.00 to assist the land trust in a purchase of development rights to permanently protect viable agricultural lands associated with the Glenvue Farms in Montgomery County.

## **ABSTRACTS**

Abstract #13 of the general fund for vouchers numbered 324-334 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$20,592.57.

Abstract #13 of the highway fund for vouchers numbered 180-187 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$35,968.66.

Councilwoman Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilman Thayer to accept the audit of abstract #13 of the general fund in the amount of \$20,592.57 and abstract #13 of the highway fund in the amount of \$35,968.66. The vote was unanimous.

#### **ADJOURN**

Councilwoman Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilman Thayer to adjourn at 6:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Laurel Sherrie Eriksen, Town Clerk