

## DECEMBER 28, 2020, 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020.

PRESENT: Gary Kamp Supervisor  
Donald Bramer Councilman  
Dominic Cuomo Councilman  
LuEmma Quackenbush Councilwoman  
John VanKersen Councilman  
Laurel Eriksen Town Clerk  
Robert Subik Attorney

ABSENT: Donald Oeser Superintendent of Highways

OTHERS PRESENT: Marcia Shults, Deputy Town Clerk

Supervisor Kamp opened the end of the year meeting at 6:30 PM with the pledge to the flag.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Councilwoman Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilmen VanKersen to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2020 meeting as presented.

Ayes 5 – Kamp, Bramer, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

### PUBLIC COMMENT / REPORTS

There were no public comments or reports for this meeting.

### AGENDA

Supervisor Kamp presented the agenda for the meeting. Councilmen VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to adopt the agenda.

Ayes 5 – Kamp, Bramer, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

### BUSINESS

The need to close the 2020 budget year and to balance all accounts was brought to the Board and the following resolution adopted.

#### RESOLUTION No 19 of 2020

BOARD MEMBER Quackenbush presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption.

RESOLVED that the fiscal year 2020 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 VanKersen Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes 5 – Kamp, Bramer, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen Nays 0

The Highway Superintendent provided pricing for the 2022 Western Star 4700 plow truck with the Henderson Equipment package in the amount of \$244,438.00. The state bid price for this is

on the Onondaga County contract #8996. Councilwoman Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase the 2022 truck and equipment package in the amount of \$244,438.00. A resolution for this will be done in the January meeting.

Ayes 5 – Kamp, Bramer, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen

Nays 0

The cold storage discussion was moved until January or February 2021.

Governor Coumo signed the order exempting individuals from coming into the office to prove their income for the STAR program due to COVID-19. The following resolution was presented.

RESOLUTION #20 of 2020

BOARD MEMBER Quackenbush presents the following Resolution and moved its adoption.

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, Governor Andrew Cuomo issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

RESOLVED, by order of Governor Andrew Cuomo in Executive Order Number 202.83 that the Town of Root adopt by resolution the continuing temporary suspension and modification of laws relating to the disaster emergency as related to Real Property Tax Law Subdivisions 7, 7-a and 8 of section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, and subdivisions 5, 5-a, 5-b, 5-c and 6 of section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law, to the extent necessary to permit the governing body of an assessing unit to adopt a resolution directing the assessor to grant exemptions pursuant to such section on the 2021 assessment roll to all property owners who received that exemption on the 2020 assessment roll, thereby dispensing with the need for renewal applications from such persons, and further dispensing with the requirement for assessors to mail renewal applications to such persons.

SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER VanKersen

Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes 5 – Kamp, Bramer, Cuomo, Quackenbush, VanKersen

Nays 0

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

#### ABSTRACTS

Abstract #13 of the general fund for vouchers numbered 288-293 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$23,311.48.

Abstract #13 of the highway fund for vouchers numbered 183-196 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$33,146.00.

Councilwoman Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilman VanKersen to accept the audit of abstract #13 of the general fund in the amount of \$23,311.48 and abstract #13 of the highway fund in the amount of \$33,146.00. The vote was unanimous.

#### ADJOURN

Councilwoman VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to adjourn at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurel Sherrie Eriksen, Town Clerk