Town of Winfield April 15, 2015

The regular meeting of the Winfield Town Board was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Charles Osborn. Members present were Councilmen Howard Marsh, Michael Peo, Robert Royce and Councilwoman Sandra Smith. Highway Superintendent Gigliotti was not in attendance. Guests were Jay Kulczak (Planning Board Chairman and Cub Scout Representative), Bill Kwasniewski and Gene Doremus from the West Winfield Star.

General Fund Claims #51 - #76 and Highway Fund Claims #32 - #41 were listed on Abstract of Voucher Sheets. A motion was made by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilwoman Smith to accept these Abstracts as presented. Motion Passed. The Supervisor's Reports for February and March 2015 and the Town Clerk's report for March were audited by members present. A motion was made by Councilman Royce and seconded by Councilman Peo to accept these reports as audited. Motion passed.

The minutes from the regular Board meeting held March 4, 2015 were read by each member. A motion was made by Councilman Royce and seconded by Councilman Marsh to accept these minutes as read. Motion passed.

Supervisor's Report:

Reported that the Highway Superintendent stated that there are a lot of wood chips for the taking from the trimming of trees for the electric lines.

Clerk's report:

1. Confidata is not available for shredding for the April Trash Day but is available for the September one. Councilwoman Smith stated that she has had several residents state that this would be a good service to have and after discussion the following:

RESOLUTION 2015-03

On a motion presented by Councilwoman Smith and seconded by Councilman Royce, the following was ADOPTED:

Ayes 3 Peo, Royce, Smith

Nays 1 Marsh

The Town shall have Confidata to shred confidential papers at the September 2015 trash day at a cost of no more than \$300.00 per the letter received from Confidata.

Clerk's Report Cont'd:

- 2. The new computer will be installed on Tuesday, April 21. All data and programs will be installed by Midnight Magix. The old computer will be redone for the Highway Superintendent's use with just the minimal of programs and no data.
 - 3. The taxes have been returned to the County and the penalties and interest paid to the Town.

Codes/Zoning Report:

Mr. Donley submitted a written report mentioning the property on Meetinghouse Road's update and that he had attended his annual training. Report attached to the minutes.

Planning Board Report:

Jay Kulczak reported that the Planning Board met with the Pustays' and Gaetano Construction on April 13, 2015 to review the plans and to agree to be the lead agency of this project. Paperwork from the Planning Board will need to be submitted to the NYSDOT and to the Herkimer/Oneida Planning Board.

Old Business:

Mr. Kulczak also represents the Cub Scout troop that would like to place a deposit bottle collection box at the Town Garage. He submitted a picture and talked about placement of the box. The Board approved both the box and the location of the box.

Mr. Andre Lake from PosiGen, a renewable energy company, spoke to the Board about Solar Energy for the Highway Garage upon the request of Councilman Marsh. He enlightened the Board as to the aspects of how it works and that there are other municipalities that have installed solar. He advised that the usage of the Highway Garage would need to be analyzed and a proposal submitted if the Town was interested. Councilman Marsh has also talked to another company about solar energy. He was advised by this company that grants are available and he would assist with this process.

Councilman Marsh also met with Chad Wilcox concerning the cemetery stones at the cemetery on North Winfield Road. Mr. Wilcox explained that a legal notice has to be put in the paper notifying families that an application process is forthcoming, then a legal notice for bids after which time the bids and application will be sent to the Cemetery Board. After they review, a person will investigate the cemetery stones and an answer as to how much the Town will receive to repair the stones will come from them.

Councilman Royce reported that he has met with Ned Walker and Karen Armstrong about the playground project in the park. One issue has come up that the 100 year flood plain and wet lands are in part of the park that the pines were located. Councilman Royce stated that they would like to incorporate a trail around the Park in this package. The cost of equipment so far is \$48,000. There are a lot of ideas for the pines and all will be thought through. He also reported that the Village will cooperate with any idea as long as they do not have any financial responsibility.

Councilman Marsh questioned the tree trimming trucks being parked by the salt shed. He questioned them using this area with no compensation coming to the Town.

New Business:

Councilman Royce stated that he read in the new Town Topics about a written agreement between the Highway Superintendent and the Board specific to Highway Law #284 should be signed per this law. Supervisor Osborn will talk to Highway Super. Gigliotti about this.

Reminder: The Board will review the Court Records at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 20, 2015.

The next meeting of the Winfield Town Board will be May 13, 2015 at 7 p.m. at the Town Highway Garage Office.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Royce moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Smith. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debrah B. Jones, Clerk