

## **TOWN OF WINFIELD OCTOBER 12, 2016**

Prior to the regular meeting a small reception was held for Gordon Chafee in honor of 50 years of service to the residents of Herkimer County and Town of Winfield residents as Dog Control Officer.

The regular meeting of the Winfield Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Osborn at 7 p.m. Members present were Councilmen Howard Marsh, Michael Peo, Robert Royce and William Kwasniewski. Highway Superintendent Rick Gigliotti was in attendance. Guests present were: Mary Doremus from the West Winfield Star, Kevin Crawford as the new Dog Control Officer, Keith Watkins ZBA Chairman and Jay Kulczak Planning Board Chairman.

General Fund claims #201 - #217 and Highway Fund claims #94 - #102 were listed on Abstract of Voucher Sheets. A motion was made by Councilman Royce and seconded by Councilman Marsh to accept these Abstracts as presented. The Supervisor & Town Clerk's reports for September 2016 were audited by members present. A motion was made by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilman Royce to accept these reports as audited. Both motions were passed.

The minutes from the regular Board meeting held September 14, 2016 were read by each member. A motion was made by Councilman Royce and seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski to accept these minutes as presented. Motion Passed.

Kevin Crawford was then introduced to the Board as the new Dog Control Officer. He is also acting as DCO for the towns of Bridgewater and Plainfield. He explained that he is fairly new to these positions and is still learning what is expected of him. He is already familiar with the Herkimer Co. Humane Society and their expectations, rules, etc. He mentioned that he would like a copy of the Dog Control Law for the Town of Winfield so he will be in compliance with this also. The Clerk will mail or email him a copy. He would also like the Board to consider a small increase in salary in the 2017 budget.

Supervisor's Report: Will discuss budget under new business

Town Clerk's Report:

1. Trash Day 93 residents with 8 doubles
2. The contract with Real Property Tax Service Agency for assessing needs to be renewed.

### **RESOLUTION 2016-11**

On a motion presented by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilman Royce, the following was

**Approved:**                   Ayes   4           Marsh, Peo, Royce, Kwasniewski  
                                      Nays   0

The Town of Winfield Board approves the contract with the Herkimer Co. Real Property Tax Service Agency for the assessment of the Town properties for the year 2017.

Highway Superintendent's Report:

1. Sand Barn is full.
2. The new plow truck is in Harrisville, New York getting the plow, etc. installed.
3. Clinton Tractor and Implement has offered to sell the 2003 tractor and mower (hours app. 250) that the Town has been renting for a couple of years to the Town of Winfield for \$19,500. After discussion, the following:

### **RESOLUTION 2016-12**

On a resolution presented by Councilman Royce and seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski, the following was **Approved:** Ayes 4 Kwasniewski, Marsh, Peo, Royce  
Nays 0

The Town of Winfield shall purchase the 2003 Ford/New Holland tractor and mower from Clinton Tractor & Implement for \$19,500 with the funds for this purchase coming from the Highway Budget.

**Planning Board Report:**

Mr. Kulczak reported that he and Codes/Zoning Officer Donley will be getting together to review the proposed planning book submitted by Attorney Quinn.

Keith Watkins questioned whether anything had been published as a legal notice on the Barrett property. The Clerk reported that yes it has been published and the Court date is November 9, 2016.

**Old Business:**

Supervisor Osborn reported that he has not heard from Quick Construction concerning the start of the roofing project.

Councilman Royce reported that he has obtained actual figures from the Fire Department. It appears that we have overpaid by approximately \$2000 according to their expense sheet. Our committee and theirs will be meeting again to discuss the expense figures.

**New Business:**

Members of the Board available tonight will audit the Court books following the meeting.

Budget - Supervisor Osborn stated that the approximate figure of \$2500 that we were over in the 2016 budget must be addressed in the 2017 budget.

After reviewing briefly the budget the following:

**RESOLUTION 2016-13**

On a motion presented by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilman Royce, the following was **Approved:** Ayes 4 Kwasniewski, Marsh, Peo, Royce  
Nays 0

The Winfield Town Board shall adopt the Tentative Budget for 2017 presented by Supervisor Osborn as the Preliminary Budget for 2017. The hearing will be held November 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

**For the Good of the Town:**

Mary Doremus informed the Board that the Time Capsule had been buried on October 8, 2016 with some very interesting items placed in it.

The next meeting of the Winfield Town Board shall be November 9, 2016 with the Budget Hearing being at 6:30 p.m. and the Regular meeting following the hearing.

There being no further business to be addressed at this meeting, Councilman Royce moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debrah B. Jones, Clerk