

# TOWN OF WINFIELD

## August 12, 2020

### REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting of the Town of Winfield Board was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Charles Osborn.

#### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Osborn	----	Supervisor
Jay Kulczak	----	Councilman
Michael Peo	----	Councilman
Susan Korosec	----	Councilwoman
William Kwasniewski	----	Councilman

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Douglas Paul Jones	----	Superintendent of Highways
Tracy Donley	----	Town Clerk
Robert Royce	----	Park Commissioner
Keith Watkins	----	Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Greg Rogers, Robert Patenelli, Melanie Sterling, Trisha Smith, Howard Wakefield, Anthony Gannon (West Winfield Star), Peter & Amy McClave.

General Fund claims #154 - #171 and Highway Fund claims #69 - #73 were listed on the Abstract of Voucher sheets.

- A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilwoman Korosec to accept these Abstracts as presented.
  - The motion was carried unanimously.

The Supervisor's and Town Clerk's reports for July 2020 were audited by the Board Members present.

- A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilman Peo to accept the reports as audited.
  - The motion was carried unanimously.

The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held July 15, 2020 were read and edited by each Board Member present.

- A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilman Peo to accept these minutes as amended.
  - The motion was carried unanimously.

#### HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

1. Mr. Jones states the Highway Department started building the new salt shed.

#### PARK COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

1. Mr. Royce states Pavilion #1 has 2 reservations, Pavilion #2 has 1 reservation and Pavilion #3 has 2 reservations scheduled during the months of August - October 2020.
2. Mr. Royce had contacted Floyd Guernsey regarding the lost trees. A representative from Guernsey Nursery evaluated the trees planted last year.
3. Mr. Royce met with Theresa Gifford who belongs to The Daughters of the American Revolution to obtain a plaque that identifies the Freedom Tree planted last fall.
4. Mr. Royce also met with Barbara Pollard to discuss where the family would like the benches that are being dedicated in Memory of her husband Tom Pollard.

#### CODES/ZONING OFFICER'S WRITTEN REPORT:

1. Mr. Donley is currently working on permit #24 for the year 2020.
2. Mr. Donley states he has noticed work being done without a permit and will place a reminder in the West Winfield Star.
3. Mr. Donley started online classes to satisfy the NYS Annual Continuing Education requirements.
4. Mr. Donley is currently working with the Town of Litchfield to pass a law on Special Events. The Town of Winfield may want to consider passing such a law.

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

1. Mr. Watkins states the ZBA has approved Wayne Jennison's variance for a 40 X 60 Pole Barn with an office in a Residential/Agricultural District on Stone Road.
  - All documentation was provided to Tracy Donley, Town Clerk.
  - Mr. McClave plans to exercise his right to the Freedom of Information Law..

#### PLANNING BOARD:

1. Mr. Kulczak states the editing of the Winfield Zoning Law Book was completed. However new Laws were discovered that must be included in the book. The Winfield Zoning Law Book will now double in size. Discussion ensued.
  - The Town Board will look at the newly discovered Laws.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Greg Rogers states when he bought his first home on 406 Curtis Avenue, the deed stated a 2-stall detached garage. If the Town sells the said property, it must be sold at Fair Market Value. Discussion ensued.
  - There will need to be a public referendum.
  - Association of Towns will be contacted for guidance.
  - Mr. Rogers was advised to contact an Attorney or Legal Aid.
2. Reducing the speed limit on Route 51 by the intersection of Chepachet Road was discussed. Along with the speed and weight limit of vehicles traveling on North Street.

- Supervisor Osborn will contact DOT
- Suggestions were to install caution sign, blind intersection sign, reduced speed ahead sign and a weight limit sign.
- 3. Gates Cole Insurance revised quote was reviewed by each Board member present.
  - A motion was made by Councilwoman Korosec to accept the changes as written by Gates Cole Insurance and reviewed by Paul Jones.
    - The motion was seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski.
    - The motion was carried unanimously.

New Business:

1. The phone numbers and emails of the Town Board members were updated and handed out to members present.

GOOD OF THE TOWN:

1. Melanie Sterling, a Mt. Markham High School Senior, discussed her plans to raise funds for the playground through many fundraisers such as Little Caesars, Auntie Anne's, Krispy Kremes, Gertrude Hawk, Utica Coffee, Go Fund Me page and much more. Possibly opening up a FaceBook page to advertise different fundraising options along with payment options such as Paypal or open another Town bank account.
2. Councilman Kwasniewski introduced Robert Petrinelli of the Petrinelli Recreation Company out of Albany, NY. Mr. Petrinelli designs and installs playground equipment. The installation usually takes 2 days to be completed. There are numerous playground options available to fit any budget. Discussion ensued.
  - Robert Royce drove Mr. Petrinelli to the Town Park to see the Playground Equipment that is currently installed and the layout of the Town Park
3. Trash Day is scheduled for September 26, 2020 8am - 2pm.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Kwasniewski moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Peo.

- The motion was carried unanimously.

The next Winfield Town Board Meeting will be held September 9th, 2020 at 7 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy Donley  
Town of Winfield, Clerk