# TOWN OF WINFIELD JUNE 12, 2019 REGULAR MEETING

The regular meting of the Winfield Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Charles Osborn at 7 p.m. Members present were Councilmen William Kwasniewski, Howard Marsh, Michael Peo, Councilwoman Susan Korosec and Highway Superintendent Paul Jones. Guests were: ZBA Chairman Keith Watkins, Codes/Zoning Raymond Donley, Park Commissioner Robert Royce, Howard Wakefield and Georgie Bligh.

General Fund claims #99 - # 126 and Highway Fund claims #55 - #67 were listed on Abstract of Voucher sheets. A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilman Marsh to accept these Abstracts as presented. The Supervisor's and Town Clerk's reports for May 2019 were audited by members present. A motion was made by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski to accept these reports as audited. Both motions were carried unanimously.

The minutes from the regular Board meeting were read by each member. Councilman Marsh added the word "be" to the Superintendent's report ("will be subject to Board approval"). Councilwoman Korosec corrected the spelling of the old plow truck to "Oshkosh" and Councilman Kwasniewski requested that the names of the CFO (Supervisor Osborn) and Financial Advisor (Keith Watkins) be added to the Resolution 2019-04. A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilman Marsh to accept the minutes as amended. Motion passed.

Supervisor Osborn reported that he has been informed that there will be a 7% increase in the health insurance premium for the coming year. He was asked by the Board to have Gates-Cole investigate different insurance for a better premium.

# Highway Superintendent's Report:

All is well. The Oshkosh has gone to its new home in Maine; we should have a check this week.

Our resurfacing projects are complete for the year. The Town of Plainfield helped us by letting us use their roller for the prep work and we used two of their trucks the day of the resurfacing . The County has started their slurry seal project on the local roads . Kelly is back to work and has started mowing the road sides. Howey is doing his best to keep up with all the mowing and trimming in the park ,cemeteries and the Town barn .He is working extremely hard so don't be afraid to stop and tell him what an asset he is to the Town, as he seems to have a thankless job.

Dale and I have been doing maintenance on the roads we didn't resurface this year and getting things ready to fill the sand barn . I made contact with the contractor that will do the roof and siding on the sand barn; he hopes to start next month. If all goes well I would like to paint the back barn and do the entrance roofs on the town barn soon. Douglas P Jones

## Codes/Zoning Report:

Mr. Donley reported that he has not received any new applications. He has sent out the second batch of letters for commercial inspections. He attended both Columbia and Litchfield Board meetings and informed our Board that both of those townships will be affected by the Solar Farm being proposed. The new zoning book needs to address subdivisions as well as noise ordinances. Councilman Kwasniewski questioned whether Mr. Donley felt that we needed a

moratorium on a noise ordinance and Mr. Donley stated that to have a moratorium you needed to first have a process in place for the noise ordinance which we do not have.

# Park Commissioner's Report:

#### Reservations

| June 16              | Lg. & Small Pavilion | Sue Will Rui       | n & Walk for Vets   |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| June 17              | Family Pavilion      | Myra Stevens       |                     |
| June 19 Through June | 24 Lg. & Small P     | avilion Henry Hite | eman Hose Co.       |
| July 22              | Small Pavilion       | Doris Brady        |                     |
| July 28              | Small Pavilion       | Amber Wright       | Birthday Party      |
| July 28              | Large Pavilion       | Diane Ernst        | Dwyer Family Picnic |
| July 29              | Lg. & Small pavilion | Optimist           |                     |
| August 1             | Lg. & Small Pavilion | Veterans Picnic    |                     |
| August 4             | Lg. & Small Pavilion | Pat Will           | MM Alumni           |
| August 12            | Large Pavilion       | Maine Greenman     | Reunion             |
| August 12            | Small Pavilion       | Deb Nolan          |                     |
| August 25            | Lg. & Small Pavilion | Jackie Saunders    | Wedding             |
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#### Concerns

We need an additional chalkboard on the Family Pavilion for reservations.

I have received request to have the swings reinstalled.

The scoreboard sometimes causes a ground fault trip which requires access to inside the building to reset. John Hammond looking into it.

# Activity

I contacted John Hammond about the light on the flag.

He informed me that the light is on a separate breaker. I got Howie to turn it on.

Howie Wakefield mowed the pathway along the creek and river.

Drains have been installed for Field Days sinks Respectfully Submitted Robert Royce, Park Commissioner

## Old Business:

Councilwoman Korosec informed the Board that the NYSERDA grant is moving forward. The garage doors have been ordered. She stated that NYSERDA states that for the grant we must work through NYSEG for the light bulbs if they have a program running at this time and this plan has been submitted.

Councilwoman Korosec reported that there are a few more items that need to be done to finalize the park trees/bushes that have been planted. She then made the motion to pay the Guernsey's for what they have done up to the amount of \$10,000. This was seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski. Motion passed.

There was discussion about the tree watering that needs to be done in the Park. A large amount of water will be needed per tree. It is possible that the Fire Department would be able to help. Options will be looked at.

**New Business:** 

Councilwoman Korosec stated that because of the grants received that she felt that a budget modification needed to be addressed. Supervisor Osborn contacted the Association of Towns and the State Comptroller's offices to verify this and found that this did need to be addressed.

## **RESOLUTION 2019-05**

On a motion presented by Councilwoman Korosec and seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski the following was ADOPTED:

Ayes 4 Korosec, Kwasniewski, Marsh, Peo Nay 0

The Town of Winfield shall amend the 2019 Budget to recognize two grants received. NYSERDA - \$50,000 and Trees for Tribs - \$56,000. Placement in the budget:

| Revenue  | A2770.1 | NYSERDA - \$50,000.                             |
|----------|---------|---|
|          | B2770.1 | Trees for Tribs - \$56,000.                     |
| Expenses | A1620.4 | Grant Expenses                                  |
| _        | B7140.4 | Playground and Recreational Contracted Expenses |

Councilwoman Korosec also requested that a copy of the Insurance Policy with an equipment list be sent to the Board prior to having to make a decision to renew as presented as she feels that the policy may have items that are incorrect on the list. Superintendent Jones will be reviewing this prior to the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Winfield Town Board will be held July 10, 2019 at 7 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Kwasniewski moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Marsh. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debrah B. Jones, Clerk