

**TOWN OF WINFIELD  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2019  
REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Winfield Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Charles Osborn at 7 p.m. Members present were Councilmen Howard Marsh, Michael Peo and Councilwoman Susan Korosec. Councilman Kwasniewski was absent. Highway Superintendent Jones was present. Guests were: ZBA Chairman Keith Watkins, Planning Board Chair Jay Kulczak, Steve Davis, Howard Wakefield, Mary Doremus from the West Winfield Star and Georgie Bleigh.

General Fund claims #174 - #193 and Highway Fund claims #88 - #99 were listed on Abstract of Voucher sheets. A motion was made by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilman Peo to accept these Abstracts as presented. The Supervisor's and Town Clerk's reports for August 2019 were audited by members present. A motion was made by Councilwoman Korosec and seconded by Councilman Marsh to accept these reports as audited. Both of these motions were passed.

The minutes from the regular Board meeting held August 14, 2019 were read by each member. Councilwoman Korosec asked that in the second paragraph of the minutes the word "on" be omitted in the first sentence. A motion was made by Councilman Peo and seconded by Councilwoman Korosec to accept these minutes as amended. Motion passed.

Steve Davis spoke to the Board concerning the cemetery that is on the Tennessee Gas Transmission (TGT) property. Many years ago TGT restored the graveyard but later buried the stones because of them interfering with the mowing of the property. There are approximately 40 burials there and Mr. Davis has talked to the Property Manager. A plaque which had the names of the people buried there is now missing and he believes that it is now in the office of TGT. After a discussion, the decision was made that Steve Davis would go see the property manager about the plaque and the Highway Department would put it back up on the roadside that is not the property of TGT.

**Supervisor's Report:**

1. Cathy Kupiec has contacted the Supervisor concerning the price of health insurance and would like to quote a price for the insurance. He has contacted Sherry Hammond at Gates-Cole about the premium and will get back to the Board with more information.
2. Trash Day will be September 28, 2019.
3. Some of the Sexual Harassment testings are still missing. He will check on those.
4. The Supervisor and Highway Superintendent have conversed with Verizon about the Town phone that is outdated. Verizon informed them that they no longer have a "government program" so the flip-phone has been cancelled as it is out of date. The decision was made that Highway Superintendent Jones will use his own phone for Town purposes because to have a separate phone for the Town will be very costly. Therefore the following motion was made by Councilman Marsh.

**RESOLUTION 2019-07**

On a motion presented by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilman Peo, the following was ADOPTED:

Ayes	3	Korosec, Marsh, Peo
Nays	0	

The Town of Winfield will pay to Highway Superintendent Jones \$70.00 per month for the extra expense/use of his phone for Town use.

Highway Superintendent's Report:

1. Everything is running smoothly within the department.
2. The front entrance is completed and was done by the following volunteers: Don Stockbridge, Derrick Lamb, Rick Witt and Wade Wratten. A big Thank You Gentlemen!
3. A special thank you to Howard Wakefield for hauling his tractor to the park and top soiling around the new concession stand as well as moving some of the rocks along the park road. Thank you Howie!!
4. Other things that have been accomplished this month: painting of the new entrances, concrete has been poured in the entrances and some in the back barn. The International PayStar has been fixed, steel plates have been installed on the sand barn to shore up the walls. We have received payment from Auctions International. The Rooney sign is back up on the exterior wall of the Highway Garage. The leak in the heating system over the office has been repaired and the wrecked truck repairs have been started. We drove to Harrisville to find out when the new truck will begin to have the plow equipment installed and were told that it should be done the beginning of November. We have a "pre-install" meeting September 24th for this truck.
5. The new garage doors and most of the new lights have been installed. Thank you Councilwoman Korosec.

ZBA Report:

Keith Watkins will be attending a training session next month.

Planning Board Report:

Jay Kulczak will be attending training in Schuyler.

Park Report:

Saturday Sept. 21	Pavilion 1	Sam Drake
Sunday Sept. 22	Pavilion 1	Joanne Blunt
Saturday Oct. 5	Pavilions 1 & 2	Mr. Markham 50th Anniversary

Activity:

- August 15 Howie replaced the grill near the swings in the shelter by the river. He has also mowed the weeds around the trees in the point area to permit watering.
- August 16 Howie and Kelly watered all trees and shrubs.
- August 30 Trees and shrubs were watered by Sue, Jerry, Gail & Bob Royce  
Received a \$10.00 donation from Angela Davis
- Sept. 11 The Town highway employees replaced the flagpole by the scoreboard with one donated by the school.
- October 14 The Park will officially be closed.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Royce, Park Commissioner

Old Business:

The Fire Department has submitted their expenses from last year in the amount of \$167,197.87 (Town portion according to them should be \$115,170.08). The Board reviewed them and were in agreement that a lot of the expenses were not "fire related" and should be the Village expense. After discussion the following decision was made.

**RESOLUTION 2019-08**

On a motion presented by Councilman Peo and seconded by Supervisor Osborn, the following was adopted: Ayes 3 Korosec, Osborn, Peo

Nay 1 Marsh

The Town of Winfield shall raise in taxes and pay to the Fire Department of West Winfield the amount of \$90,000.00.

Councilwoman Korosec stated that there will be an Energy Fair on September 28th during Trash Day at which time the light bulbs that have been purchased by the Town to be included in the NYSERDA grant will be given out to residents of the Town. Coffee and donuts will be offered.

Councilwoman Korosec also informed the Board that NYSERDA will require a "walk through" once everything is completed.

The next meeting of the Winfield Town Board will be held October 9, 2019 at 7 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Peo moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Marsh. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debrah B. Jones, Clerk