# Town of Jackson Town Board Meeting April 6, 2016

<These minutes are subject to Town Board approval>

The Town Board of the Town of Jackson met on April 6, 2016 at 8:00 pm at the Town Hall for the regular monthly meeting.

#### **Members Present:**

- Supervisor Jay Skellie
- Councilman Mike Nolan
- Councilman Travis Rea (8:09)
- Councilman Carol Rich
- Councilman Edward Rouse

# **Also Present:**

- Richard Farrell, The Eagle
- John McMillan

#### **Others Present:**

- Highway Superintendent Sean Carney (8:13)
- Budget Officer Donna Nolan
- Town Clerk Tammy Skellie-Gilbert
- Planning Board Chair Noel Hanf
- Town Historian Sharon Dunn

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-16** 

Approval of minutes

Resolution by Councilman Nolan Seconded by Councilman Rouse And passed by board members, 4-0

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the March 4, 2016 Town Board meeting be approved with one correction.

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-16** 

Approval of minutes

Resolution by Councilman Rich Seconded by Councilman Nolan And passed by board members, 5-0

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the March 8, 2016 joint Planning & Town Board meeting be approved as written.

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-16** 

Approval of Town Clerk & Supervisor Reports

Resolution by Councilman Rouse Seconded by Councilman Rich And passed by all board members, 5-0 **RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk and Supervisor Reports for March 2016 be approved as follows:

Town Clerk Fees to Town \$69.20 Supervisor Receipts \$1,956.51 Supervisor Disbursements \$41,464.08

# **REPORTS**

**Highway -** Peter Charbonneau has evaluated the highway garage roof. Once the materials have been obtained, he will make repairs.

Supt. Carney hopes to pave 1.2 miles of Dunbar Road in 2016. He anticipates receiving about the same amount of money from CHIPs in 2016 (approx. \$150,000).

Two of four companies have sent quotes for new wheel loaders:

- O Catepillar wheeler loader will cost \$109,753 receiving \$15,000 on our trade plus warranty of four years or 2,000 hours costing an extra \$1,960
- Nortrax (John Deere) wheel loader will cost \$104,544 receiving \$25,000 on our trade plus four year warranty or 4,000 hours at no extra charge

Councilman Nolan shared his concerns about purchasing a new machine wondering if we should consider purchasing a used model. Councilman Rea commented that the wheel loader is used daily for a large range of tasks. Before making such a large purchase, Supervisor Skellie requested that Supt. Carney look around for used wheel loaders.

Supt. Carney requested to attend Highway School June 6-8<sup>th</sup> at Cornell University.

**RESOLUTION NO. 27-16** 

Approve Highway Superintendent to attend school

Resolution by Councilman Rich Seconded by Councilman Rea And passed by all board members, 5-0

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approves the Highway Superintendent's request to attend Highway School June 6-8<sup>th</sup> at Cornell University.

**Planning Board** – Chairman Hanf shared information about upcoming county-wide meetings that will focus on large-scale solar projects. Three planning board and two town board members plan to attend the April 19<sup>th</sup> municipal program in Hudson Falls.

#### Historian

- April 4<sup>th</sup> marked the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Town of Jackson meeting which also happened to be the same month local slave, Henry Lashly (name might be slightly different such as Lasky or Ashley) was freed.
- Sharon Dunn and Claudia Blackler have completed a pamphlet to celebrate the 100 anniversary of the Battenville Bridge.

- There was a discussion about where, if any, there might be old headstones on some farms in Jackson. Councilman Rouse mentioned possible locations on Kenyon Hill and Eagleville Roads.
- There was a discussion about building a case for the Town Hall that would enclose the American flag. Mark Mahoney has offered to do the labor of building the case.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Town-wide Picnic** – Councilman Rich contacted Lewis Steele about serving as chair of the 2016 picnic which he has agreed to do.

**Town-wide Road Clean-up Day** – The Transfer Station is willing to accept roadside trash collected in orange bags during the April 16<sup>th</sup> Town Road Clean-up. Supt. Carney has purchased orange trash bags and Beth O'Grady has obtained use of orange vests from Dieter Drake. Residents will be able to pick up vests and trash bags from the Town Clerk a few days prior to the clean-up date. Supplies can also be picked up at the highway department starting at 8 am the day of the clean-up.

**Junk Car Issues** – After several attempts, Supervisor Skellie has spoken with the Driscoll Way resident who has several abandon cars on her property. Although action has been slow, she has been making contact with scrap businesses to take the unregistered vehicles. Supervisor Skellie will continue to follow up with the resident.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

County Road Frustration – Resident John McMillan was present to express his frustration to the Town Supervisor regarding a recent newspaper article that discussed the premature deterioration of repaved county roads. A retired county DPW employee, Mr. McMillan stated that the department is not properly preparing the roads prior to placing the fiber mats which serve as a type of adhesive for the binding the roads. Supervisor Skellie shared that he has heard similar comments.

**RESOLUTION NO. 28-16** 

Support of the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fronhofer Tool Triathlon

Resolution by Councilman Nolan Seconded by Councilman Rea And passed by all board members, 5-0

**WHEREAS**, the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fronhofer Tool Triathlon will be held on August 6, 2016 starting at Lake Lauderdale and traveling along the roads in the Town of Jackson; and

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Town Board of the Town of Jackson gives permission for use of the Town roads on the day of the event; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board expresses support for the event and wishes the organizers, competitors, staff and fans a safe and successful event.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 29-16**

Electing Direct Payment of Washington County Sales & Compensating Use Tax Allocation Resolution by Councilman Rich Seconded by Councilman Nolan And passed by all board members, 5-0

**WHEREAS**, Washington County imposes sales and compensating use taxes pursuant to the authority of section 1210 of the Tax Law of the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS**, Washington County has elected to allocate a portion of the net collections from its sales and use taxes to the towns in the county; and

**WHEREAS**, section 1262 (c) of the New York Tax Law authorizes a town to elect to be paid all or part of its share of the county's allocation directly, in lieu of reduction of county taxes and general town taxes levied upon real property in such town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board now desires to make such election;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Town of Jackson hereby elects to be paid directly all of its share of Washington County's sales and compensating use tax net collections, for calendar year 2017 and thereafter; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that, pursuant to such section 1262 (c) of the Tax Law, a copy of this resolution shall immediately be mailed by certified or registered mail to the chief fiscal officer of Washington County and to the Clerk of the Washington County Board of Supervisors before September 1, 2016, for this election to take effect January 1, 2017; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this resolution shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Town of Jackson Town Board in accordance with the notice provisions of such section 1262 (c) of the Tax Law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**RESOLUTION NO. 30-16** 

Court Petty Cash

Resolution by Councilman Rouse Seconded by Councilman Rea And passed by all board members, 5-0

**RESOLVED,** that the petty cash for the Jackson Town Court be increased from \$100 to \$200 effective immediately.

# **INFORMATION**

- Presidential Primary in the State of New York will be held on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> with the polls open from 12noon-9:00 pm
- Town Clerk's office closed April 18-20<sup>th</sup> for the NYS Town Clerk's Conference in Saratoga. Messages and emails will be check each evening.
- Dog enumeration will begin May 1<sup>st</sup>.

# **County Update**

• Supervisor Skellie shared that the Ag & Tourism committee has been holding roundtable discussions with various groups in the County to gather information and identify needs.

**RESOLUTION NO. 31-16** 

Payment of Bills 4/6/16

Resolution by Councilman Rea Seconded by Councilman Rich And passed by all board members, 5-0

**RESOLVED**, that the following bills on Abstract #4 be approved and audited and the Supervisor be authorized to pay said bills from the respective funds:

<b>FUND</b>	BILL#	AMOUNT
General	42-57	\$1,213.82
Highway	45-75	\$11,746.56

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Skellie-Gilbert, RMC Town Clerk