

Town of Jackson Town Board Meeting

May 4, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Jackson met on May 4, 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
- Councilman Carol Rich
- Councilman Edward Rouse

Others Present:

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

Also Present:

- Richard Farrell, The Eagle

RESOLUTION NO. 32-16

Approval of minutes

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

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the April 6, 2016 Town Board meeting be approved as amended.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-16

Approval of Town Clerk & Supervisor Reports

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk and Supervisor Reports for April 2016 be approved as follows:

Town Clerk Fees to Town	\$3,999.73
Supervisor Receipts	\$15,367.73
Supervisor Disbursements	\$39,475.42

REPORTS

Highway

- The highway garage is still not repaired.
- Due to the Peckham's not opening their plant, paving projects will be postponed a while.
- Supt. Carney obtained a list of used wheel loaders for sale. Each one cost more than purchasing a new one. The Town has received two more quotes for new models including:

- Doosan wheel loader (Capital Tractor) for \$96,215.75 receiving \$25,000 on our trade.
- Case wheel loader (Monroe Tractor) for [**\$105,194.00**] receiving [**\$23,000**] on our trade.

Supt. Carney test drove the Doosan model and was pleased with the product. After some discussion, the Board decided to table a decision until June so that the Supervisor and Budget Officer can determine how to pay for the equipment.

Planning Board – Chairman Hanf briefly shared information about a possible sketch plan along Wood Lane. He, then, shared information gathered at two local county-wide meetings on commercial solar arrays. After some discussion, the Planning Board passed a motion recommending that the Town Board enact a six-month moratorium on approving building permits on commercial solar arrays. In addition, Chairman Hanf described the tax implications that municipalities as well as property owners must consider if commercial solar arrays are built.

RESOLUTION NO. 34-16

Temporary Moratorium on Solar Arrays

Resolution by Councilman Nolan

Seconded by Councilman Rea

And passed by board members, 4-1 with Councilman Rich voting against

RESOLVED, to write Local Law #1 to enact a six-month moratorium on approving building permits for all commercial solar array projects while the Town Board studies the need for site plan review law.

Historian – Sharon Dunn has been researching questions from phone calls received. Reminder that the 100th [Year] Celebrate the Bridge event will be held on Sunday, May 29th at 2 pm at Battenville Bridge.

OLD BUSINESS

Town-wide Picnic – The Board is still looking for someone to take the lead on the picnic arrangements.

Dog enumeration – While attending the State Town Clerk’s conference the Town Clerk learned about the Canine License Registry service that a few Washington County Townships have utilized with great success. After speaking with the Registry, the Town Clerk feels Jackson can complete its 2016 enumeration at a lower cost. However, she recommended that in five-years, Jackson should coordinate with adjacent towns to administer an enumeration using the Canine License Registry.

County Update

- Supervisor Skellie stated that plans for the dewatering facilities in Fort Edward are still uncertain.

RESOLUTION NO. 35-16

Payment of Bills 5/4/16

Resolution by Councilman Rea

Seconded by Councilman Rich

And passed by all board members, 5-0

RESOLVED, that the following bills on Abstract #5 be approved and audited and the Supervisor be authorized to pay said bills from the respective funds:

FUND	BILL #	AMOUNT
General	58-71	\$1,859.22
Highway	76-90	\$4,820.78

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Skellie-Gilbert, RMC
Town Clerk

Corrections in [BOLD]