The February Monthly Meeting for the Town of Willing , County of Allegany and State of New York was held at the Town of Willing Hall, located at 1431 State Route 19, Wellsville, NY. 14895 on February 12th, 2024, at 7 pm.

**Present**: Supervisor Wightman, Councilwoman Billings, Councilman Howe, Councilman Gay, Superintendent Mattison, Bookkeeper Glass, Court Clerk Denise Regan, Planning Board member Christine Jefferds, PJ Sherman OIC, and Deputy Clerk Mansfield

**Absent:** Councilwoman Fenske

**Guest:** Marshall and Rebecca Stebbins, (Town of Willing residents and Willing Fire Co. members),

Chase Tascone from Gallagher (formerly the Evans Agency)

Supervisor Wightman called the meeting to order at 7pm, all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES**: Councilman Gay moved to accept the January Organizational minutes as presented, Councilman Howe seconded. **VOTE:** Councilman Howe-aye, Councilwoman Billings-aye,

Councilman Gay-aye and Supervisor Wightman-aye 4 ayes 0 nays 1 absent **CARRIED**

**Gallagher (formerly Evans Agency) Renewal Quote:** Mr. Tascone gave a summary of the Town’s policy, showing the increase in premium would be 3.3% from last year. However, the Town could opt for a higher deductible of $5,000 which would only raise the premium 1.3% from last year. The Board thanked him for his time and will let him know of their decision. Councilman Howe moved to accept the quote from the Gallagher opting to increase the deductible to $5,000. Councilwoman Billings seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Councilman Howe-aye, Councilman Gay-aye, Councilwoman Billings-aye and Supervisor Wightman-aye 4 ayes 0 nays 1 absent  **CARRIED**

**AUDIT:** 4TH Quarter 2023

**Supervisor and Bookkeeper 4th Qtr. 2023**

Councilman Howe moved to accept the Supervisors and Bookkeepers books as presented. Councilwoman Billings seconded. No discrepancies were found. **VOTE:** Councilwoman Billings-aye, Councilmen: Gay-aye and Howe-aye, Supervisor Wightman abstained. 3 ayes 0 nays 1 abstained **CARRIED**

**Justice Books for the 4th qtr. 2023**

The Board was presented with Justice records for the 4th Qtr. 2023. Cash receipts, disbursements, accountability, monthly reports, and all documentation were in order. No discrepancies noted.

Councilman Howe moved to accept the 4th qtr. 2023 records as presented; Councilwoman Billings seconded. **Vote:** Councilwoman Billings-aye Councilman Howe-aye and Supervisor Wightman-aye and Councilman Gay-aye 4 ayes 0 nays 1 Absent **CARRIED.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Fire Co fueling at town facility**

Brian received a quote for $56,000 which does not include a pad and canopy. The Board’s discussion included being more beneficial for the fire company to buy a tank for its use and submit their tax exempt form to Shorts as soon as possible. The Town has the state bid and is tax exempt. Councilman Howe said he will contact the Fire Co. about this matter.

**Fire numbers**

A price of $30.00 was agreed upon for residents to pay for fire numbers. The price includes $25.00 for the post and sign plus a $5.00 donation to the fire company for the installation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PRESENTATION OF CORRESPONDENCE**:

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Planning Board**

Christine Jefferds discussed scheduling a moratorium regarding concerns about liability issues with the

solar project. Supervisor Wightman will coordinate with the clerk to schedule.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Highway Report:** Accepted as presented. Councilman Howe moved to approve Highway Supt.

Matteson’s trip to Albany on March 5th and 6th with the Highway Supt.’s Association for continued

support for CHIPS Money. Councilman Gay seconded. **VOTE:** Councilmen: Gay-aye, Supervisor

Wightman-aye, and Councilman Howe-aye, Councilwoman Billings abstained. 3 ayes 0 nays 1

abstained. **CARRIED**

**284 Agreement to spend Town Funds**:

Accepted as presented. **VOTE**: Councilman Howe-aye, Councilman Gay-aye,

Supervisor Wightman-aye and Councilwoman Billings abstained. 3 ayes 0 nays 1 abstained. **CARRIED**

**Cemetery Report:** Accepted as presented.

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**Clerks Report:** Accepted as presented.

**Dog Control Report:** email report accepted as presented.

**Monthly Financial Report**: none

**CEO:** none

**Fire Liaison Report**: Accepted as presented.

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**Police Report**: Accepted as presented.

**Justice Report**: Accepted as presented.

**Records Access Report**: No activity

**Historians Report**: Accepted as Presented

**Pay the Bills**: Councilwoman Billings moved to pay the General Fund Bills (vouchers #20 thru #42) in the

amount of $15,790.19 and the Highway Fund Bills (Vouchers #10 thru #20) in the amount of $14,636.53.

Councilman Gay seconded. **Vote:** Councilwoman-Billings-aye, Councilmen: Gay-aye, Howe-aye,

and Supervisor Wightman-aye 4 ayes 0 nays 1 absent **CARRIED**

Councilman Howe moved to adjourn the February monthly board meeting in memory of Daniel Guiney,

Councilwoman Billings seconded and said meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia A. Mansfield

Town of Willing Clerk

2/12/2024