HUMPHREY TOWN BOARD

September 12, 2022

The Deputy Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with a pledge to the flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carrie Childs, Supervisor Josh Freundschuh, CM Tonya Dry Town Council Jason Pearl, Hwy Superintendent Terry Fuller, CEO

Scott Andrews, CM Alicia Pearl, CM Mary Weber, Clerk Bonnie Rae Strickland; Assessor

ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT: Bobbi Elderkin

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The Supervisor read a letter of resignation effective 8/31/2022 from Council Member David Moshier due to serious health concerns, The Board accepted the letter of resignation with much sadness.

Carrie Childs introduced Tonya Dry and moved to appoint her to complete Mr. Moshier's term which expires 12/31/2023. The second was made by Alicia Pearl and the motion was carried by all 4 votes in favor. The Supervisor will contact Board of Elections to learn about the term of the appointment and determine if the position would need to be presented on the November ballot for general election to complete the last year of the Council Members Term.

Assessor Bonnie Rae Strickland presented a written report noting that addresses have been updated and sales input into the inventory. The Assessor also submitted a letter of resignation effective 9/30/2022. The Supervisor and Board Members accepted her resignation and extended best wishes in retirement.

Terry Fuller, Code Enforcement Officer, presented a written report of inspections done, no permits were issued in August, the clerk was presented with \$40.00 cash from a permit renewal. Mr. Fuller requested that the lap top computer be replaced as it is outdated and will no longed boot up. He has been using his personal computer.

There was no report from the Dog Control Officer. The Supervisor has been contacted by the DCO concerning the 2023 budget as he would like an increase of salary.

Bobbi Elderkin arrived for an interview to replace the assessor. The Board thanked her for coming for the interview and stated that they would discuss the position so that the Supervisor could let her know later that night. Ms. Elderkin then left. Members were pleased with the interview and a motion to appoint Bobbi Elderkin to finish the Assessor's term of office through 9/30/2025 was made by Josh Freundschuh, seconded by Tonya Dry and carried by all 5 votes in favor.

Jason Pearl, Highway Superintendent, provided a oral report. The employees have been applying oil and stone on Conlan Road and ditching several town roads. The Superintendent mentioned again that the man entry doors in the Town Building need to be replaced. Josh Freundschuh moved to hire someone to install new doors. Alicia Pearl seconded, and the motion was carried by all in favor.

Mary Weber reported the fees collected in August 2022; the Supervisor was presented a check for \$439.70.00. The total collected was \$863.00 with the \$423.80 going to NY State DEC for hunting licenses sold.

Carrie Childs, Supervisor, had prepared a written report for the month of August. The monthly report from the accountants was dispensed and reviewed. No update on the ongoing Bono lawsuit.

Berry's report was reviewed and the bank balances as of 8/31/20222 are as follows:Five Star BankNY ClassHighway Fund \$129.595.43Highway \$54,424.02General Fund \$477,814.01General \$132,505.46Payroll Acc \$3,854.45Building Reserve \$3,792.88

Alicia Pearl moved to accept the Officers Reports the second was made by Scott Andrews and carried by all votes in favor.

Equipment Reserve \$32,696.06

Josh Freundschuh moved to accept the minutes from the August meeting with two typing errors corrected. The second was made by Alicia Pearl and the motion was carried by all votes in favor.

Old Business: Research for the possibility of a grant to finance the needed repair to the bridge on Morgan Hollow Road. The County Engineer has evaluated the bridge and the County will assist in the needed repairs.

Old Business cont: Veterans Flags, there has been some interest to display flags that honor town veterans, more information in needed.

Cattaraugus County will be contacted to inquire about making a 4 way stop at the intersections of Humphrey Road, Chapel Hill Road and Howe Hill Road.

New Business: The 2023 Budget will be due soon; The Supervisor and the Superintendent will meet with the accountants to prepare a preliminary budget for the October meeting. The Board will schedule a second meeting in October to review and prepare the final budget.

General Fund invoices#55-59 totaling \$19571.18 and prepays for National Grid and Five Star Bank were paid online, the total amount 711.86. Highway Fund invoices #115-158 totaling \$98,639.15 were circulated and signed.

Scott Andrews moved to pay the bills as presented, second by Alicia Pearl, and the motion was carried by all votes in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M. by a motion from Tonya Dry, seconded by Alicia Pearl and carried by all votes in favor.

The next regular meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday October 11, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. The Public is encouraged to attend. Changed to Weds 10/12 due to a scheduling conflict.