BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2022

The Gerry Town Board met at 6:30 PM, October 13, 2022, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: Richard C. Heath, Supervisor

Gary J. Swan, Councilman

Jamie Ansell, Councilwoman

Todd Wissman, Councilman

Bruce Gustafson, Councilman

Jodie L. Fehlman, Town Clerk

Brian T. Anderson, Highway Superintendent

Andrew Robinson Jr., Town Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Supervisor Heath called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Mr. Best, Town resident addressed the Town Board and thanked Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, and the highway crew for all the work that has been done at the new Town Park getting it ready so it can move forward in the spring when the weather gets better. Supervisor Heath noted that he has been looking into monuments and getting ideas and will have a meeting with Mr. Best to see what he likes best of the new space being created.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. A thank you note was received on behalf of the Green Family.
2. A letter of resignation was received from Robert Rein stepping down for the DCO position.
3. The Town of Gerry received the signed contract from the Chautauqua County Humane society.
4. A letter was received from the Sinclairville Free Library thanking the Town of Gerry for the funding again this year.

**OFFICERS REPORT:**

**ZONING OFFICER:**

Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer, commented that he issued seven permits this month. Dave Crossley, Zoning Officer, noted that he had a call about agricultural fencing being too close to the road, however there is an agricultural exemption in the town zoning law.

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER:**

No report given.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:**

Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, reported that they are gearing down with summer projects and are getting ready for the snow. They took the flags down and Supervisor Heath thanked them and they will be picking up in the park as well. Supervisor Heath noted that Part Time Mower, Kevin Carlson, is done for the season now. Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, stated that the new signs for the park and on Damon Hill are in and will be put up. Supervisor Heath received a call about people speeding on Kimball drive and asked Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, to look into the complaint and see if there are any new signs that need to be put up in that location.

**ASSESSOR REPORT:**

Kevin Okerlund, Town Assessor submitted the following report: STAR credit checks have been mailed out the STAR credit checks to those who have registered for the program the State has implemented for all new Basic and Enhanced Star applications. If a property owner has not received their check, they need to contact the State of New York directly at 518-457-2036.

Kevin Okerlund, Town Assessor also noted that he is going to start a new picture project over the next several months updating all the pictures in the Town on the RPS system.

**COMMITTEES, BOARDS & AGENCIES:**

**SPECIAL ORDERS:**

Resolution No. 44 – 2022 Setting Halloween Celebration Hours. A motion was made by Councilman Gustafson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

Resolution No. 45 – 2022 Modification to the 2022 Budget. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Wissman. Approved.

Resolution No. 46 -2022. 2022 Budget Transfer. A motion was made by Councilman Wissman, seconded by Councilwoman Ansell. Approved.

Resolution No. 47-2022. Authorizing fees and Charges for Emergency Medical Services and Ambulance Services. A motion was made by Councilwoman Ansell, seconded by Councilman Gustafson. Approved. Discussion.

Minute approval for the September Board meeting and public hearings on September 17,2022, along with the Supervisor’s monthly report. A motion was made by Councilman Gustafson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Supervisor Heath along with Kevin Okerlund Town Assessor and Town Attorney, Andrew Robinson Jr., held a meeting with Herritage Village addressing the nonpayment to the Town of Gerry as part of an agreement. The Town of Gerry is willing to work with them, however if Heritage Village chooses not to then the Town of Gerry will have to have their property put back on the Tax Roll. The Town of Gerry is scheduled to have another meeting in the next 10 days to discuss what the next step is. Supervisor Heath noted that he will keep the Gerry Town Board informed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No new Business.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

**VOUCHER APPROVAL:**

Highway Fund Vouchers #114 - 122 totaling $39,329.35 was approved on a motion by Councilman Gustafson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

General Fund Voucher’s #258 – 285 totaling $12.199.80 was approved on a motion by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Wissman. Approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

A budget meeting will be held on Monday October 17,2022, and

The next board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, November 10, 2022, at the town hall.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM on a motion by Councilman Wissman, seconded by Councilman Swan.

Minutes taken by,

Jodie L. Fehlman,

Town Clerk