June 8, 2022

Scio Town Board Meeting Minutes

The Town of Scio Board meeting began at 7 pm with Supervisor, Jon Elliott calling the meeting to order with The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Jon Elliott, Glen Layfield, Rob Harms, Alissa Ramsey

Absent: Kyle Spier & Skip Nickerson

Attendees: 4

Reviewed previous minutes from 5/11/22 Board meeting. A motion was made by Alissa Ramsey to accept the minutes. This was seconded by Glen Layfield. All in favor aye vote approved.

**General**

Two Scio Free Library representatives spoke about the library nearing almost 200 years old. They are volunteering the library for a meeting place for all. They also mentioned looking for bi-centennial participants. It was agreed upon that our next Scio Town Board meeting will be held at the library on July 13, beginning at 7:30 pm. Anyone is welcome.

A motion was made by Alissa Ramsey and seconded by Rob Harms to accept the resignation of Kyle Spier. All in favor aye vote approved.

Alissa Ramsey was appointed as Deputy Supervisor.

Jon was given a quote of $2,195.00 for blacktop sealing of the parking lot.

A motion was made by Glen Layfield and seconded by Alissa Ramsey for the approval of blacktopping the parking lot.

Jon mentioned the fence between our building and the field with it looking poorly maintained. Jon may ask the school if they’d be willing to maintain this.

Alissa talked about the Waterfront meeting. A Planning Board was strongly recommended. If there are no zoning laws about water, then laws would need to be established for the Waterfront district. They are in the last few steps before it’s put into motion.

Two grant writers from MRB Group Engineering Architecture and Survey gave a presentation. They have been in the business for 30 years and are based in Clarence, NY. Most work they do is municipal but at times they also participate with schools. One of the grant writers is also an electrical engineer. Part of what they do is research grant opportunities, complete a needs assessment, and check funding opportunities. An application is completed with the grant writer and is reviewed then submitted. Fees are monthly with a year long contract. Rob mentioned costs may be able to be shared with the fire department as they received a fire truck through a FEMA grant in the past. It would also be beneficial to use COVID monies. Both stated it’s important to understand your town and know what it needs.

A motion was made by Alissa Ramsey and seconded by Glen Layfield to hire MRB Group. All in favor aye vote approved.

**Water Supervisor**

A motion was made by Glen Layfield to accept water bills. This was seconded by Rob Harms. All in favor aye vote approved.

Nate stated he picked up pump #2 after repair by the Estabrook Corporation. He stated the town will also need a chemical dose pump. A rebuild kit was ordered and the cost is approximately $158, where a new pump would be near $1,973.00. A compatible and reliable back up pump is needed and will be available. Nate hooked up a service-line at a residence, an ongoing job. This resident asked Nate to explain the units, later called four times and was upset. The resident mis-interpreted calculations. Oakley spoke with the resident, documented the conversation, and explained it to him. Information from the Census was also given. The meters were received in May but ordered in August of last year.

**Highway Supervisor**

A motion was made by Alissa Ramsey to accept highway bills. This was seconded by Glen Layfield. All in favor aye vote approved.

Last month a brief conversation was held about the ‘junk’ fund. The money has not been turned in yet; Dave will take care of this.

Oil and stoning roads are done. The next job the highway department will be looking at is blacktopping beginning next week. Skip stated the trial use of the Wellsville roller was used; it worked very well and plan on using it more. $5500 is the asking price. Skip stated the town does not currently have any equipment that will reach to the backside of the ditches. This mower has an arm that allows it to reach these spots where our machinery cannot reach. In the past, other towns have assisted with this.

A motion was made by Glen Layfield and seconded by Rob Harms to purchase the mower from the Town of Wellsville for $5500. All in favor aye vote approved.

Skip called the place where the pickup with the plow was purchased for $43,400.00. They now are asking $73,000.00 for a 2023. Auctioning the old truck was mentioned. It will cost approximately an extra $23,000.00 to update to a newer truck. If approved, the new truck would need to be ordered now and put on hold until January. Jon stated he will speak with Dave about this and talk more on this topic at the next meeting.

Skip spoke about the Hazard Mitigation Plan which is basically pre-FEMA. This plan is updated every 5 years. It is continued documentation of problem areas. When funding is available, repairs can be made. These problem areas might also be repaired with possible grant monies.

**Dog Control**

The Dog Control Officer’s report was submitted. A motion to approve the report was made by Alissa Ramsey. This was seconded by Rob Harms. All in favor aye vote approved.

**Court/Town Justice**

$1,467.00

Next meeting is scheduled for July 13. This meeting will be held at Scio Free Library beginning at 7:30 pm.

A motion was made by Alissa Ramsey to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Glen Layfield. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.