BOARD MEETING
MARCH 03, 2022

The Gerry Town Board met at 6:30 PM, March 03, 2022, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: Richard C. Heath, Supervisor
Randy Zahm, Councilman
Gary Swan, Councilman
Jodie L. Fehlman, Town Clerk
Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent
Eric Yager, Zoning Officer

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Cherin Mehes, along with Daivd Hall addressed the Gerry Town Board about the Memorial Day parade. Cherin stated that the people that have done the parade for years are getting older and they are unable to do the parade any longer. Cherin Mehes noted that if the Town would like to do the parade then they would have to get plans in order as soon as possible. Cherin Mehes stated that she is going to do some phone calls to get people lined up for a service at the park. Supervisor Heath stated that we would have it put on the Town website asking for anyone willing to help and see what we can come up with. Supervisor Heath noted that maybe the Town and The Fire Department would be able to work together on the parade.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. A Thank You note was received from the Valley Historical Society thanking the Town for their annual donation.
2. A letter was received from the Gerry Cemetery Association regarding the rules and regulations for the flags in the Cemetery.
3. A letter was received from Solar Simplified regarding solar energy promoting renewable energy. The Town Board is going to have William Duncanson Jr., Town Attorney take a look at it and it will be discussed at the April Board Meeting.
4. Chautauqua Emergency Services has asked to have a resolution passed to except the mitigation plan in place and updated. Supervisor Heath stated that he will have a meeting with Brian Anderson Highway Superintendent and go over the plan.
5.

OFFICERS REPORT:

Zoning Officer:

Zoning Officer, Eric Yager, commented that it has been quiet .He has issued one permit. He also noted that people are having trouble getting contractors. Eric Yager, Zoning

Officer, noted the price of materials are going up and people are having to wait to build or repair due to the cost of supplies at this time.

Dog Control Officer.

Dog Control Officer, Matt Abbey, was absent and no report was received.

Highway Superintendent:

Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, noted that it has been quiet however the new tractor has arrived and is working great. The tires have been fitted to the tractor. The New Tractor is all ready to go. Highway Superintendent, Brian Anderson stated that they need new radios for the trucks and discussed going on the County High Ban as the price of the radios are around $325.00 apiece and if they stay on the low ban then the radios are around $2000. 00 apiece as there is only one company that makes them. Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, asked the Gerry Town Board what they would like for him to do. The Gerry Town Board noted that he should do what is going to be the best for the Town cost wise and safety wise. Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, noted that he has purchased two hand held radios and they should be here sometime this next week. The two hand held will be able to receive both low ban and high ban frequency. Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, stated he would keep the Town Board informed.

Assessor.

The Assessor was absent and no report was received.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND AGENCIES:

Part Time Mower.

The Town Board asked the Town Clerk, Jodie Fehlman, to contact Kevin Carlson to see if he would like to keep his position as Mower maintenance for 2022. Jodie Fehlman, Town Clerk stated she would contact him and have everything ready for the April board meeting.

SPECIAL ORDERS:

Resolution No. 20- 2022. Adopted Resolution for Multi- Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. A motion was made by Councilman Zahm, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

Minute approval for the February Board Meeting, and the Supervisor's Monthly Report. A motion was made by Councilman Zahm, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS.

Supervisor Heath met with Mr. Spanos about a Bridge of New York grant for the bridge that need replaced they are still waiting to hear back. Supervisor Heath will meet with Highway Superintendent, Brian Anderson, and go over what is need to get this bridge fixed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Heath asked the Town Clerk, Jodie Fehlman to explain about an issue that had happened the week before at the Town Park. Town Clerk, Jodie Fehlman noted that there was a town resident that had strung a few power cords across the lawn and across the road on Wilson Street and had been taking electric from the concession stand at the park. Jodie Fehlman, Town Clerk was notified and called the Sheriff's office a State Trooper was dispatched and notified the resident that it was illegal to take electric and if it happens again there will be charges placed against them. The Highway Superintendent, Brian Anderson, was asked to turn off the power to the concession stand.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Cherin Mehes wanted to thank the Town for letting the Fire Auxiliary hold the craft show in the Town Park on June 4th, 2022.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

Highway Fund Vouchers #13 - 23 totaling $10,855.53 was approved on a motion by Councilman Zahm, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers#53 - 79 totaling $11,667.14 was approved on a motion by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Zahm. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next board meeting will be held at 6:30 PM, April 14, 2022 at the Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM on a motion by Councilman Zahm; seconded by Councilman Swan.

Minutes taken by

Jodie L. Fehlman,
Town Clerk