

## **Regular Board Meeting of the Town of Poland Board December 14, 2021**

Supervisor Kelly Snow called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with the pledge to the flag. In attendance were Town Council members Corey Swanson, Stevan Hatfield, Norm Gustafson and Terry Walker. Also present were Highway Superintendent Larry Mee, Legislator John Davis, and John Rauh, Steve McGill, and Post Journal Stringer Rose Mary Carver.

Supervisor Snow asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting. There being none, *Councilman Gustafson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Swanson to accept the minutes as written.*

*Ayes: Snow, Swanson, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker*

**Motion carried.**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1) Town Hall - The bill for the new heating system from Ridout's is in this month's bills. DFT came and repaired the monitor in the Courtroom. They also replaced the radio system in the attic that will be discontinued as of January 1<sup>st</sup>.

2) Court Update - nothing new to report

3) ARPA - Supervisor Snow would like to start a committee to review ideas that the \$90,000 can be used for. Further discussion at next month's meeting.

4) NY Street Lighting LED Project - nothing new to report

5) Elevator Service - Town Clerk Wallace will follow up with the inspector.

6) Marijuana Retail Dispensaries - nothing new to report

**\*\*First Privilege of Floor\*\***- John Rauh and Steve McGill from Rauh Paving, approached the board to introduce themselves and explain a little about their company and the product they sell. Rauh Paving is interested in selling their paving material to the town. After a brief discussion with the board members, Superintendent Mee explained that the Town of Poland buys off the county bid.

### **LEGISLATOR**

1) Motion was approved urging the continuation of combining all of the Southern Tier Counties in one congressional district.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1) The 2022 Organizational Meeting will be held on January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

2) The Town's Annual Audit will be held on January 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

### **SUPERVISOR**

Supervisor Snow made a motion, seconded by Councilman Swanson to make a one-time donation of \$6,000 to the Kennedy Free Library to help with the changes and improvements they are making.

*Ayes: Snow, Swanson, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker*

**Motion carried.**

### **COUNCILMAN HATFIELD**

It has been an honor and privilege to serve on the Town of Poland Board.

## **TOWN CLERK**

- 1) The Christmas Luncheon for this year is cancelled.
- 2) Court Clerk Shields has completed her Clerk's education for the year and turned in the certificate to the Town Clerk's office.

## **ASSESSOR**

- 1) The assessment database has been sent to the Chautauqua County Real Property Tax Office for the processing of Town/County bills.
- 2) Exemption renewal applications have been mailed to property owners with agricultural land exemptions, and to seniors that are currently enrolled in the low-income senior citizen exemption.

## **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT**

- 1) Hauling in salt and sand to restock
- 2) Duane has been brush hogging
- 3) Grader is out for repair

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

JUSTICE JUDITH SHIELDS - reported 27 Vehicle & Traffic with \$2,750.00 forwarded to Supervisor.

CEMETERY- ALAN SHORT- November 9<sup>th</sup>-December 14<sup>th</sup>: All is well; no apparent wind damage to either cemetery and needing funds for large tree removal in cemeteries.

DOG CONTROL - October report - no report

LIBRARY - 12/14/21 - The month of November statistics: 425 Patrons, 12 Lego club attendees, 5 Book club attendees, 37 homeschool Library attendees and 73 People used the computers.

Our book case shelves that needed repair have been returned to us good as new. The Children's area is fully downstairs. We have moved all of the adult books upstairs and everything is organized and in order. Our homeschool library program has been very well attended and everyone is enjoying our puzzle corner. WE are getting more and more school aged children from the late bus drop off at the library. Tutors from the high school are also using our facility.

We hosted our first fall craft night fundraiser and it was a great success. There is a lot of interest to continue hosting these. We also hosted our annual election day dinner and 160 patrons attended. It was held at the library this year.

One change to note from previous years: The library will not be changing the hours for the winter. Too look forward to: The library will be hosting an escape room in January for the community and a Valentines Craft night fundraiser in February. This will be in addition to a community wide snow fort contest in February if the snow cooperates. Like us on Facebook and check our website for updates on this information and more.

Dawn Swanson, Library Director

PLANNING BOARD - no report

ZONING BOARD - no report

RECREATION (REBECCA LINDQUIST) - no report

HISTORIAN - REBECCA LINDQUIST- no report

TOWN CLERK BONNITA WALLACE reported \$669.97 paid to Supervisor with \$1,089.33 total disbursed.

ZONING OFFICER GEORGE GUSTAFSON - (ZONING REPORT) reported zero (0) Complaints received, one (1) Notice of Violation issued and \$265.00 in fees forwarded to Town Clerk.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ERIC YAGER - (BUILDING CODE REPORT) zero (0) Inspections Performed, and zero (0) Certificates of Occupancy were reported.

SUPERVISOR SNOW distributed prior to the meeting the Agenda and Monthly Supervisor's Reports for General Fund, Highway Fund, Payroll Fund, Money Market accounts and General & Highway Budget Reports.

Supervisor Snow asked if there were any questions on the bills. *Councilman Hatfield made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gustafson to pay General Vouchers (414-460) totaling \$76,539.34, Highway Vouchers (174-191) totaling \$55,561.93, Light District #1 Voucher (12) in the amount of \$840.31, Light District #2 Voucher (12) in the amount of \$230.83 and Justice Court Voucher (11-12) in the amount of \$4,256.00.*

*Ayes: Snow, Swanson, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker*

**Motion carried.**

**The next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.**

**Other meetings:** Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> - Organizational Meeting at 6:30 pm and Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> - Annual Audit at 6:30 pm.

*At 7:38 p.m. Supervisor Snow made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hatfield to adjourn the meeting.*

*Ayes: Snow, Swanson, Hatfield, Gustafson, Walker*

**Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnita R Wallace, Town Clerk