

BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 11, 2021

The Gerry Town Board met at 7:00 PM, February 11, 2021, at the Gerry Town Hall for the regular monthly board meeting.

Present were: Richard C. Heath, Supervisor  
Gary J. Swan, Councilman  
Randy J. Zahm, Councilman  
Bruce Gustafson, Councilman  
Recia L. Myers, Town Clerk  
William Duncanson, Jr., Town Attorney  
Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent  
Eric Yager, Zoning Officer  
Randall Barmore  
Cherin Mehs  
Jamie Ansell  
Todd Wissman

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Bahgat & Laurito Bahgat sent their annual contract for Bookkeeping Services which will be signed and sent back.

**OFFICERS REPORT:**

**Zoning Officer.**

Eric Yager, Zoning Officer, gave the following report:

5 permits issued and a few pole barns are being put up and rather quiet right now

**Dog Control Officer.**

No Report.

**Highway Superintendent.**

Brian Anderson, Highway Superintendent, noted that they sold the Osh Kosh for \$4,800.00 which was more than it would be for scrap and they purchased a sander for a good price last week on Auctions International. The new Chevy Truck is coming in later than expected and they have one worker out on quarantine as his wife tested positive for COVID and they have contacted the health department on the guidance of the process.

**Assessor's Report.**

Kevin Okerlund, Town Assessor, was absent but submitted the following report:

He is continuing the process of Aged and Ag land applications and March 1<sup>st</sup> is fast approaching and all applications need to be in by then. Also, the State of NY has passed a resolution that all property owners who have the Aged Exemption do not have to reapply this year due to the Covid virus. Assessors

are to roll over from last year's roll no matter any changes in income levels. Assessors can remove any seniors who have passed away or moved prior to March 1<sup>st</sup>. I will be sending out 2<sup>nd</sup> notices and then, follow up with phone calls to those who do not respond.

**COMMITTEES, BOARDS OR AGENCIES:**

**SPECIAL ORDERS:**

Resolution No. 17 – 2021. Adoption of Local Law No. 2 of 2021. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Zahm. Approved.

Roll Call Votes:

Councilman Gustafson	AYE
Councilman Zahm	NAY
Councilman Swan	AYE
Supervisor Heath	AYE

Resolution No. 18 -2021. Agreement to Spend Town Highway Repair and Improvement Funds. A motion was made by Councilman Zahm, seconded by Councilman Gustafson. Approved.

Resolution No. 19 – 2021. Authorizing Municipal Cooperative Agreement for Highway Projects and Maintenance and Designation of Coordinators for the Town of Gerry. A motion was made by Councilman Gustafson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

Resolution No. 20 – 2021. 2021 Budget Transfer. A motion was made by Councilman Swan, seconded by Councilman Zahm. Approved.

Resolution No. 21 -2021. Appointment of Town Board Position. A motion was made by Councilman Zahm, seconded by Councilman Gustafson. Approved.

Resolution No. 22 -2021. Appointment to Assessment Review Board. A motion was made by Councilman Gustafson, seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

No old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Town Clerk, Recia Myers, has been in touch with the Town Attorney and would like to review the Employee Handbook that was started but for some reason never approved and Mr. Duncanson gave a copy of the Town of Ellicott's which pertained more to our township leaving some things out. Right now the Clerk is giving out a bunch of copies and would like to just use the Handbook to tie everything in and include a new public health updates regarding viruses which the State is requiring municipalities to have in by April. The Town Clerk gave out copies to the Town Board, Supervisor and the Highway Superintendent and she would like them to review and add changes they would like so she can have a rough draft ready for the March meeting.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

**VOUCHER APPROVAL:**

Highway Fund Vouchers #7 – 21 totaling \$10,956.70 was approved on a motion by Councilman Zahm; seconded by Councilman Gustafson. Approved.

General Fund Vouchers #23 – 59 totaling \$145,719.42 was approved on a motion by Councilman Gustafson; seconded by Councilman Swan. Approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The next board meeting will be held 6:30 PM, March 11, 2021 at the town hall.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM on a motion by Councilman Swan; seconded by Councilman Zahm.

Minutes taken by

Recia L. Myers,  
Town Clerk