

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CUYLER TOWN BOARD

February 9, 2023

Present were: Supervisor Randall, Clerk Custer, Councilwoman Corbin and Councilman Smith. Superintendent Breed. Absent were: Councilwoman Stafford and Councilman White.

Also present were: Deputy Supervisor Smith, Alan Fink, Bruce and Sally Perkins, Aaron Marshall and James Merchant and Legislator Paul Heider.

Supervisor Randall led the Pledge of Allegiance and the regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

On a motion from Councilwoman Corbin and seconded by Councilman Smith the minutes from the January 12, 2023 board meeting were read and approved.

All Ayes

On a motion from Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Corbin the board authorized payment of bills on abstract # 14 totaling \$ 1,141.83 the final invoices for 2022 and abstract # 2 totaling \$ 201,799.37.

All Ayes

Superintendent Breed stated the new F550 is here. We had a truck in the ditch and waiting for the tow bill. Supervisor Randall asked him to check out the corner closest to the fire station for a leak. Doug Randall stated when he was filling up the fire trucks he seen a leak. John stated he doesn't think there is a leak but will look. Councilwoman Corbin asked John if the highway guys have time sheets and if they do could you please give to town bookkeeper for records. John just texts Ardene the hours. John stated this has never been like this before and Councilwoman Corbin stated well it will be from now on. John also stated that the highway garage needs new insulation. Supervisor Randall stated to get three quotes for next meeting. John asked Paul Heider why our town does not get paid per trip. Paul suggested writing a letter to Chris Newell and Charlie Sudbrink about getting paid by the trip. The town guys do as much if not more and not getting more money for doing them. Supervisor Randall asked John to do a complete inventory of all the tools and machinery.

Dog report read by all board members.

Justice Alan Fink had nothing new to report.

The board authorized Supervisor Randall to sign the contract agreement for the Depot for CSC Construction. Approved in November's board meeting but just needed to sign agreement.

No Code report.

The clerk will advertise for mowing bids for the March meeting,

James Merchant addressed the board about getting a local law to allow ATV's and UTV'S to drive on town roads. He stated the Town of North Norwich has done this. Councilman Smith stated that they would look over the local law from them and discuss it. Councilman Smith also stated that the state needs to recognize the ATV Clubs and to give it the go ahead before the towns should approve anything. Councilwoman Corbin asked about the signage for the roads and James stated the clubs would probably

pay for some of them. The question of insurance and liability came up and law enforcement. Bruce Perkins stated that the ATV owner has to have proof of ownership and insurance with them at all times. Alan Fink asked about the signage as well because the town does not get any revenue from this. Lincoln gave up some roads for the ATV's and UTV'S except for a few. Sally Perkins stated that the clubs can't put the signage up put the supervisor has to say where they go and the superintendent has to put them up. James stated that they do not want to be on land only the roads. James stated he has talked to Charlie Sudbrink on this and wanted to know how the law enforcement would handle this and talked to Chet Lunt and DEC is willing to work with the towns. Councilman Smith and Supervisor Randall thanked them for coming and asking.

Legislator Paul Heider came to the board meeting to discuss the issues with the solar and windmills. Supervisor Randall asked Paul to come and talk the Solar Local Law and Wind Energy. Supervisor Randall stated she would contact Don Armstrong the town's attorney and have a public hearing to have a Town Wide Moratorium on installation of wind energy conversion systems. Trindle's on Eaton Hill have been approached by Inv. Energy to place a wind mills up there and have approached many land owners on this as well.

Supervisor Randall asked the board to read the Fund Balance Policy. This is a state requirement and just want to get it into place. Councilman Smith asked if under the Policy # 4 to do a town resolution every year. Supervisor Randall will re write the policy. She stated in the Unexpended Surplus Fund that we can change the minimum and maximum percent's.

On a motion from Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilwoman Corbin the put the Fund Balance Policy in place.

All Ayes

Supervisor Randall asked to have a motion on extending the time to collect taxes until May 31st, 2023.

On a motion from Councilwoman Corbin and seconded by Councilman Smith to have an extension to collect taxes until May 31st, 2023.

All Ayes

Councilman Smith asked about the redistricting. Paul stated that the redistricting committee stated they want to go to fifteen legislators. Paul also stated that the city of Cortland sales tax contract is up in June or July. Councilman Smith asked Paul about the land fill. He stated that it has at least fifteen years left. Councilman Smith stated we need to better about getting rid of tires.

On a motion from Councilwoman Corbin and seconded by Councilman Smith the board adjourned the board meeting at 8:13pm.

All Ayes

Abstract # 14

General Fund: \$ 450.00

Hwy Fund: \$ 216.97

Sewer Fund: \$ 474.86

Totaling \$ 1,141.83

Abstract # 2

General Fund: \$ 179,364.36

Hwy Fund: \$ 22,435.01

Totaling \$ 201,799.37

Respectively submitted,

Wendy Custer, Cuyler Town Clerk