State of New York

County of Lewis

Town of Watson

 March 8, 2023

The regular meeting was called to order on February 8, 2023 at 6:30pm by Supervisor Jeff Hoch.

Town Officials present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Hoch

Councilpersons present: Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Councilman absent: Vicki Roy, Mike Hanno

Town Clerk: Michelle Ward

HWY Superintendent: Steve Skiff

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Jeff Hoch.

Motion made by Jeff Lyng and seconded by Shawn Freeman to accept the February minutes.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy, Mike Hanno

Highway

Superintendent addressed the board with the opportunity to purchase a used excavator. Gave information on what a new one would cost and a used one’s that are for sale.

Motion made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Jeff Lyng to move forward with finding/purchasing an excavator.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy, Mike Hanno

Water

First week in May the water tank roof will be getting replaced.

Planning Board

Held the public hearing on the Tower Law 03/01/2023.

Nettie and Jeff had a meeting in regards to the Town being awarded a grant for costs associated with the updating of the Town Zoning Law. More discussion to follow.

The planning board will be looking into laws/regulation and any other associated business for Air B & B and short term rentals. More discussion to follow.

The planning board will be adjusting the wording of the Town’s current Subdivision Law and also making a line lot adjustment addition.

Meeting held 03/01/2023 – Minutes posted to Town website.

Zoning Board

Meeting held 02/13/2023 – Minutes posted to the Town website.

Old Business

The town board is working with the highway department to completed a new contract.

New Business

Supervisor Hoch read resignation letter from Council Member, Mike Hanno.

Motion to was made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Jeff Lyng to accept council member’s resignation.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy

Motion made by Jeff Lyng and seconded by Shawn Freeman to appoint Gerald Crowell to fill the council members term.

Ayes: Jeff, Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy

Town Supervisor, Jeffrey Hoch has appointed Gerald Crowell as the deputy supervisor.

Monthly Reports

Abstracts amended and accepted.

Motion made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Jeff Lyng to accept amended March abstracts.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy

Monthly Town Clerk and Dog Fund reports for February 2023 submitted by Michelle Ward.

Tax report for January and February 2023 submitted by Michelle Ward.

Monthly Justice report for January and February 2023 submitted by Justice Donald Regetz.

Motion made by Shawn Freeman and seconded by Jeff Lyng to accept reports.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy

Motion made by Shawn Freemen and seconded by Jeff Lyng to adjourn meeting at 7:19pm

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman

Nays: None

Absent: Vicki Roy

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 Michelle Ward, Town Clerk

Next Meeting: April 12, 2023