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Town of Murray Town Board Meeting
August 17, 2020

Present: Supervisor Joseph Sidonio, Councilpersons Randall Bower, Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel, Michael Mele, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Attorney John Sansone, Assessor and Interim Highway Superintendent Louise Passarell, Lynn Wood, Legislator Ken DeRoller, Randy Shepard, Joe Dillon, Scott Underwood, Todd Knight, Maritza Nieves, Tamara Leach, David Leach, Mallory Diefenback, Tim Hungerford, Ron Vendetti, Dirk R. Lammes, Jr.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Pledge to the American Flag

Coronavirus Update

Councilman Mele informed all that the rates in Orleans County remain pretty flat. All Town Halls are well stocked with supplies such as thermometers, masks and sanitizer. There will be a list at the Town Clerk's counter beginning tomorrow of each individual, address and phone number who enters the Town Hall for any reason for tracking purposes.

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Christ approving the minutes of the July meeting as submitted Motion Carried

Town Clerk

July receipts totaled \$1,087.80 with \$803.16 going into the general fund.

Assessor

The department is beginning to look at the permit list that was received from the Village of Holley. Ag exemptions are prepped to be mailed out. The office will begin asking the people for a Schedule F with each ag renewal.

Highway Department

The department has been mowing and doing repairs. Scott Underwood was initially told that his license to do inspections could not be transferred to the Town but after going in person to the DMV, he was informed that it now can be transferred to the Town.

West Kendall Road is being prepped for paving. Paving will be done on Thursday.

The damaged bumper discussed last meeting has been replaced. We received one check from the insurance company but it was less than what is owed to

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the Town so we will be receiving another check. We will also be getting the deductible back.

Water Department

The department is busy changing the meters that may be running slow according to the data Louise has put together. Also have been listening to curb stops. After taking 30-day readings, the water loss has been cut by another 5.4%.

Brief discussion regarding the phase 1 report from Bonadio. The report didn't really offer any new information. The Town Board needs to discuss what our expectations should be before moving to phase 2.

Louise said we may need to look at raising the water rates for farmers/hydrants as she believes the rate, we are charging them is too low.

Code Enforcement

Fred Case reported on permits issued. Brief discussion regarding the building permit issued to Tony Manno for the work he is doing on the Fancher curve. Fred is keeping a close eye on the work being done. Mr. Manno told Fred, when complete, there will be a living area upstairs, a two-bay garage on the ground level and a shop in the back. Councilman Hendel informed Fred that Mr. Manno cannot put a shop in the back. He previously asked the Town Board to re-zone that property and the Planning Board would not make the recommendation. Fred is to make sure Mr. Manno knows that the zoning in that area is not commercial. Councilman Mele stated that it looks like more than a 'remodeling' project as he is raising the foundation among other things. Fred stated he has not been provided with stamped engineering blue prints

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Hendel approving the purchase of NYS Building and Fire Code Manuals for \$500 provided the Town receives a proper invoice
Motion Carried

New Business

Brief Comprehensive Plan update. The committee meets each month and is working very well together. Discussion regarding land use map with chart showing incorrectly that Murray only has 30% of land mass in agriculture.

The committee also suggested improving the Town website. Elaine Berg has been looking into options and will present something to the board.

The Youth Board contract expires at the end of this year. Board needs to decide what we will be doing for the next several years. This can be addressed at the work/budget meetings.

The alarm system continues to be a problem. If we need to bring in other vendors in order to get it resolved then we will.

If looking at an alarm system, we could look at cameras to go along with it as we are having trespassing issues with four-wheelers in the salt shed and out back.

Public Comments

Ron Vendetti of Hindsburg Road stated that the Road Closed sign on Hindsburg Road blends in with the railroad and drivers do not see it. It is causing needless traffic and it has been a month since he asked. Louise said that they are waiting on the state.

Mr. Vendetti also stated that residents are entitled to know what exemptions they are entitled to. Has the Board taken action to put the exemptions online? Louise agrees that a list of exemptions available should be listed on our website.

Mr. Vendetti said a water loss that amounts to \$300 per day is significant. Mr. Vendetti was told that the Water Dept. Supervisor Sidonio said the Town is implementing solutions to rectify the water loss and the loss has been reduced. Mr. Vendetti thinks a more aggressive action should take place.

David Paul of County Line Road asked that the meeting agenda be posted earlier, such as a week prior to the meeting. Supervisor Sidonio said we will try to have the agenda posted on the Friday after our monthly work meeting.

Louise asked Ron Vendetti where he got the gallons and water loss per day figures he referred to earlier. Mr. Vendetti stated he got it from the papers that Supervisor Sidonio shared with him. He also questioned what the Highway Department's hours were. Louise said they are the same as they have always been.

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Christ to approve the Supervisor's financial report Motion Carried

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Christ that the following bills be paid, with the following changes; no tax to Amherst Alarm and Crystal Rock as the Town is tax exempt Motion Carried

General Fund	\$17,825.17
Highway Fund	\$7,810.09
Water District No. 1	\$894.59

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Water District No. 2	\$8,873.96
Water District No. 3	\$9,672.65
Water District No. 4	\$13.19
Water District No. 5	\$0.00
Water District No. 6	\$3,738.23
Water District No. 7	\$40.53
Water District No. 8	\$90.86
Water District No. 9	\$9.28
Water District No. 10	\$15.78
Water District No. 11	\$6,402.74
Water District No. 12	73.25
Water District No. 13	\$46.55
Water District No. 14	\$50.46
Water District No. 15	\$74.45
Water District No. 16	\$53.38
Water District No. 20	\$14.65

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Hendel that the Town Board enter into executive session for a personnel matter at 8:08 p.m. Motion Carried

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Mele that the Town Board returns to regular session at 9:38 p.m. with no action being taken Motion Carried

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Mele to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. Motion Carried

So adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver