

Town of Tully
July 10, 2019

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF TULLY
TOWN HALL
5833 MEETING HOUSE RD TULLY NY**

Members Present: Acting Supervisor John Masters
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor John Snavlin

Town Clerk Susan Vaccaro

Others present: Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand, Town Attorney Robert S. DeMore, Highway Superintendent John Herold, Parks & Rec Director Ryan Dando, *The Tully News* Editor Ben Bibik, Ambulance Captain Bryan Ramsay, Fire Commissioner Ed Wortley, Jr., Village Mayor Melissa Flint-Morgan and residents Catherine Goodwin, Erin Goodfellow, Elizabeth Weinstein, Charles Bibik

7:30pm Acting Supervisor Masters called meeting to order and led in Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12TH MEETING. Motion by Councilor Snavlin. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 4 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOUCHERS. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 4 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Financial Report

Tom Chartrand reviewed receipts and disbursements for the month of June as follows: good month for town clerk fees, almost \$4,000; our NYCLASS interest has now exceeded budget on all funds, so everything from NYCLASS interest will be positive for the remainder of the year; court fines still a bit slow, but stronger this month; reimbursed for postage from the Village under the shared services agreement; highway fund, received second half of county snow and ice removal. As far as the ambulance fund, pretty strong month; ambulance overtime continues to be a problem.

RESOLUTION 48-2019

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 4 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Continuing with the financial report, Tom advised the board that he had written ten checks that are now very old and have not been cashed. So, he asked the board to make a motion to return these ten checks to balance.

RESOLUTION 49-2019

MOTION TO RETURN THE AFOREMENTIONED CHECKS TOTALING \$1171.00 TO BALANCE.

Motion by Acting Supervisor Masters. Second by Councilor Speziale. Motion carried 4 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

At this time, Mr. Masters called for any comments from the floor.

Floor

Ben Bibik spoke about the possibility of holding a class in the town hall for all staff members on the subject of phishing emails. He suggested that perhaps it could be opened up to the public as well. Brief discussion followed after which it was decided that Ben would get together with the town clerk and agree on a date and time to hold the class, possibly in August sometime. More info to follow in the **Tully News**.

Village Mayor Melissa Flint-Morgan advised the board that it had been brought to her attention by Harold Kiehl that the water in the men's bathroom had been running for a while, and she wondered if someone could take a look at it to see what the problem is. Parks & Rec Director Ryan Dando advised that it had been fixed.

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Parks & Recreation

Ryan Dando reported this evening on Parks & Rec activities:

- Busy month; Green Lake is going well; bathrooms are working
- Trying to finish up the tennis courts; Ryan explained to the board what he had done so far in his efforts to try and get quotes from companies in addition to Nagel, which had been in vain and suggested we go with Nagel. Discussion followed.

Highway

John Herold reported on the following:

- Busy month paving; a few minor repairs
- Continuing with roadside mowing
- Finished first round of paving; also repaying other towns who helped us
- Started hauling sand in for winter; price went up a bit which was a surprise for myself as well as other highway superintendents
- Will be repairing guardrails, ditching, and continuing with road repairs
- Did receive a letter regarding winter recovery which should be about the same as last year - \$700

At this time, Acting Supervisor John Masters briefly addressed the issue of an allowance for unused sick leave advising that he had heard back from the state retirement system, but that Bob DeMore had suggested tabling the matter until next month.

Ambulance

Captain Bryan Ramsay read the ambulance report:

1. Number of EMS calls for June was 49.
2. Monies needed to cover our overtime overage could be taken from the salary line as I will be retiring with 3 months left in the year, and the new person will be at a lesser salary, so there should be some surplus in that line item.
3. The civil service test for the Captain position was held June 22, 2019. There are three staff members that took the test. The test results will come back in late August or early September.
4. On June 25, 2019 we held a refresher CPR/AED course for the Tully lifeguards, and we had 3 members from Tully and 1 member from Pompey complete the course.
5. We have received the new manikins that the Board approved last month. We now have 4 new adult and 2 new infant manikins that meet the new American Heart Association's standards. They were used for the first time recertifying the Tully lifeguards, and they work very well.
6. The recent call on Interstate 81 involving an attempted suicide has reminded all our responders to approach all scenes with caution. There were several notes the person had in the vehicle with him stating that, in fact, it was a suicide attempt. The substance ended up being sulfuric acid, and the floor of the vehicle had been eaten away, and the acid was dripping on the ground under the vehicle. I have used the call as a teaching moment for our staff.

Fire

Ed Wortley, Jr. reported briefly on the refinancing of the firehouse. Councilor Snavlin asked what the interest rate went down to. Ed responded that it had gone down to about 2%. Councilor Speziale also offered that there's money in the bank for the new truck, so they're not increasing taxes for that purchase.

At this time, Acting Supervisor John Masters offered as an additional agenda item that our assessor, Cristine DelFuoco, would like to be reappointed for another term. Her term is expiring on September 30th of 2019. Brief discussion ensued.

RESOLUTION 50-2019

MOTION TO REAPPOINT CRISTINE DELFUOCO TO ANOTHER TERM AS OUR ASSESSOR, TERM TO BEGIN ON OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND EXPIRING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2025.

Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Snavlin. Motion carried 4 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

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Next, Acting Supervisor Masters suggested the meeting involving phishing emails could be on either the fourth Wednesday of July or August depending on when Ben would like to do it. Ben suggested that the fourth Wednesday of August would work for him and give him time to plan it.

Legal

Town Attorney Robert DeMore reported that he had called Time Warner regarding Babcock Road and has to meet with them. And then possibly we can abandon the road. Bob also reported that he had been helping the ZBA with an area variance and with updating their forms and offered to meet with them to give them some info on area variances.

And finally, Acting Supervisor John Masters advised that he had been contacted by a community relations person from Honeywell. They're trying to transition 755 acres in Tully into parkland and are calling it the Tully Recreational Area. Mr. Masters had distributed copies of a handout to all board members and asked the Village Mayor if she had a copy, which she did not, and so offered to make a copy for her as well. The big thing for Tully, he felt, and the thing he would be concerned about, is the tax impact. So, he would like to talk to Cris, our assessor, about what the taxation impact would be of that action. In the meantime, a meeting had been set up for this coming Tuesday morning with Honeywell's representative. Mr. Masters said he would follow up with members of the board and invited anyone interested to join the meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:00PM. Motion by Councilor Speziale. Second by Councilor Chapman. Motion carried 4 ayes (Masters, Snavlin, Chapman, Speziale) 0 naves.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Vaccaro, Town Clerk