

TOWN OF SCHUYLER FALLS
TOWN BOARD
WORK SESSION DECEMBER 7, 2020

Supervisor Randall called the Work Session for the Town of Schuyler Falls Town Board to order at 6:00 p.m.

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>MEMBERS</u>		
Howard Newton	X	
Martin Perrotte		X
Vernon Bruno	X	
Reginald Facteau	X	
Kevin Randall	X	
Donna Hamel	X	

PUBLIC RECOGNITION: Richard Doner, Rich Dabrowski, Rickey White, Michael Snider

RESOLUTION #20-86

MOTION BY: Mr. Newton

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 05, 2020 received from the New York State Retirement System, the Town of Schuyler Falls was notified of Michael Snider's intent to retire from the Town of Schuyler Falls and New York State Retirement System effective November 30, 2020, now be it therefore

RESOLVED, to meet with New York State Retirement System requirements the Town of Schuyler Falls accepts the retirement of Michael Snyder, Highway Superintendent, as of November 30, 2020 with the last day that he will appear on the Town of Schuyler Falls payroll to be November 29, 2020, the day before his retirement date.

SECONDED BY: Mr. Bruno

DISCUSSION This resolution amends Resolution #20-84 passed at the November 24, 2020 Town Board meeting in order to correct minor errors concerning dates and the manner of notification received by the Town.

AYES: Mr. Newton, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Facteau, Mr. Randall

ABSENT: Mr. Perrotte

RESOLUTION #20-87

MOTION BY: Mr. Newton

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Schuyler Falls appoints Michael Snider to the position of Highway Superintendent, effective December 7, 2020 through December 31, 2020 with an additional stipend of \$412.39 a pay period to be paid to him for his additional duties as Highway Superintendent.

SECONDED BY: Mr. Bruno

DISCUSSION: Mr. Facteau asked how Mr. Snider would be paid for the time he was not able to work. Mr. Randall told him that because he was reinstated as a salaried employee, he would get his regular salary for the pay period. Mr. Facteau said that it was not right that the tax payers of the Town went one week without a Highway Superintendent. He was reminded that there is a Foreman that acts when the Highway Superintendent is not available.

AYES: Mr. Newton, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Facteau, Mr. Randall

ABSENT: Mr. Perrotte

Mr. Randall told the Board members that he received the requested test results for the Macey Lane Water District from the Town of Plattsburgh. After reviewing what was happening with the water pressure at 77 Macey Lane, the Town of Plattsburgh's water department tried flushing the line but they decided they would need to replace the valve.

Mr. Randall told the Board members that three quotes were received for the mandated Pandemic Operation Plan. One quote was withdrawn due to a conflict of interest. One of the quotes received was from Emergency Preparedness Solutions (EPS), who has been in business for approximately twenty years. The other quote was from the LaBerge Group. The quote from EPS was for \$2,500.00 and the quote from the LaBerge Group was for 6,600.00 plus reimbursable expenses. It was asked if EPS would charge for expenses. Mr. Randall will find out. He gave the Councilmen the quotes to look over. Because of the time frame on when this plan is due, he would like to get a resolution ready for the next meeting.

A discussion followed on the proposed Zoning Committee that will be formed to review and make changes to the current Zoning Law.

Mr. Facteau said that he would still like to see a zero-tax rate for the Town. He mentioned that this could be possible with the money that the Town receives from the Landfill. Mr. Randall told him to come up with a plan, as he does not see how this is possible to cut the working budget down by another half a million dollars. Mr. Facteau reminded Mr. Randall that he brought up some cuts that were not supported by the other Councilmen. He feels that having all employees on salary is not right.

Mr. Facteau asked what the status was on the well samples that were being conducted on Sand Road by NYSDEC. Mr. Randall told him that he was told because the information of the residence was confidential,

he did not know. He did say that information was sent to the residents affected in the area to have the well tested. If NYSDEC did not hear from them, door hangers to remind them were placed at their residence. Mr. Facteau told the Board members that the income surveys were circulated on Rickson Avenue.

Mr. Randall had the quote for the new plow for the truck that was being purchased by the Recreation Department. The quote was for \$6,009.00. The Recreation Department has enough money in their budget to purchase the plow in this year's budget.

After reviewing the present no parking law, it was discussed that possibly additional signs could be ordered with extra instructions to clarify when a parking ban would be in effect.

The Association of Town will hold their annual training virtually in February. The cost would be \$100.00 per person.

Mr. Bruno asked about the status of Pine Tree Drive. Mr. Randall replied that he had not had a chance to review the file.

Mr. Facteau said that after reviewing the Organizational meeting of January 2020, there was no mention of the appointment of a Deputy Supervisor. In response to him, the Official Undertaking resolution that was done at that meeting had all the elected officials and appointed officials included in the resolution. The Deputy Supervisor and the Deputy Town Clerk are appointments made by the Supervisor and the Town Clerk, not the Town Board.

Mr. Dabrowski asked what the policy is on a replacement of a mailbox that is knocked down by the snow plow. He said that there are some plastic mailboxes that cost more than the metal mailboxes that being replaced in the event of the mailbox being taken down by the snow plow. Mr. Randall will look into this.

Mr. Bruno made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Newton and unanimously approved. Adjournment/7:35 p.m.

Donna Hamel/Town Clerk