

TOWN OF HIGHLAND
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
February 8, 2022
ELDRED TOWN HALL

PRESENT SUPERVISOR JEFF HAAS
 COUNCILMAN JAMES GUTEKUNST
 COUNCILMAN FRED BOSCH
 COUNCILMAN CHRIS TAMBINI
 COUCILWOMAN KAITLIN HAAS

Also present, Attorney to Town Michael Davidoff
 Town Clerk Susan Hoffman
 District 1 and 2 Legislator Rob Dougherty

Supervisor calls meeting to order

Flag Salute

Moment of Silence Joshua Glantz, Helen Oset and Elizabeth Willey

Roll Call, all board members present.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the January, 2022 Town Clerk Minutes seconded by Councilman Tambini, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Tambini to approve the January 2022 Financial seconded by Councilman Gutekunst, discussion motion carried all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received and read American Legion Ambulance Corp. monthly report.

Received and read Highland Lake Fire Dept. monthly report.

Received and read Yulan Fire Dept monthly report.

Received and read from Doreen Sweeney resignation from Planning Board.

HIGHWAY

Superintendent of Highway (reported by Supervisor Haas) that the Highway Department has been doing a great job.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Supervisor Haas states, there was an overdose at the High School and I have reached out to Wendy Brown at the Health Department (OPIOD task force) for NARCAN training and certification. We will try to have this on Saturday, February 26, 2022 so that residents in the community could attend.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PLANNING AND SENIORS

Councilman Bosch reports all is quiet and good as possible.

YOUTH AND PARK DEVELOPMENT

Councilwoman Haas reports scheduling a meeting with Kathleen Quinan of Koinia to set up an emergency warming center after they have fixed the heat problem.

CODE

Councilman Bosch reports still waiting for current code books. Codification people on codes. Councilman Bosch and Tambini will meet at the end of the month.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Councilman Tambini states, all is moving along with the Ambulance Service and have our new service. Town of Highland is holding the Certificate of Need. Everything is almost in place. We have to have the American Legion pay for the month and a half for the services. Ambulance volunteers are working hard (very busy). Councilwoman Haas asked that we please check in with your volunteers, it has been very taxing times.

GRANTS

Councilman Gutekunst reports about the Highway Shop, talked with the Bond Council at Jeff Bank. Rate is very reasonable and getting paper work together to close on February 15th.

INSURANCE

Councilman Gutekunst had nothing to report.

BUILDINGS

Councilman Bosch reports the furnace in the court house has been repaired.

BEAUTIFICATION

Councilwoman Haas reports a meeting will be set up to discuss the completion of the project and get ahold of the Highway Department to discuss scheduling with them. Scope of work is going to require more funding.

PERSONELL

Councilman Gutekunst nothing to report.

CONSTABLE

Chief Walton reports that the Constables will be taking a taser course and that Marc Anthony received the Best Officer award in the River Reporter.

Website

Councilman Gutekunst nothing to report.

Energy & Environment

Councilman Bosch has nothing to report.

911-Hero's Park

Nothing to report.

Old Business

New Business

Supervisor Haas talks about the Camera Policy for next months meeting (rules and regulations).

Also, Supervisor Haas is looking into the ATV laws and regulation with the Hunting Clubs (Bethel has a law in place and will talk with Dan Sturm about the policies.

Councilman Gutekunst wants to review the Master Plan as it has been ten years. Get a team together and go over the existing Plan and update with different civic community leaders used for zoning changes and that it reflects the wishes of the community.

RESOLUTIONS

MOTION BY Councilwoman Haas to approve Lacey Gutekunst Madden as Representative to the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway, seconded by Councilman Bosch, discussion, motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the appointment of Steve Bosch to member of the Planning Board from the alternate, seconded by Councilman Gutekunst, discussion, motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve budgetary transfers to the 2021 General Budget, that have been reviewed and audited by each Board Member, seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion, motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to pay Highway Abstract #2-2022 claims #1-18 in the amount of \$95,507.35 seconded by Councilman Bosch that have been reviewed and audited by each Board Member, discussion, motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to pay General Abstract #2-2022, claims #13-44 in the amount of \$13,683.46, that have been reviewed and audited by each Board Member, seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion, motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to pay Eldred Street Lights # 2-2022 claim # 1 in the amount of \$108.06 which have been reviewed and audited by the Town Board discussion, motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to adjourn the Town Board Meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion, motion carried all ayes.

Public Comment

Lacey Gutekunst Madden is excited to be the UDC representative.

Laura Burrell asks about the amount for sealing on the Cul-de-Sac and is it in kind from the Highway Department and the stone for the parking lots, is that also in kind. The Board answered that it was.

Laurie Stuart that the Board has removed the present Chairperson from the UDC and replaced with a niece of one of the Board members. No comment from the Board.

Respectfully submitted

Susan Hoffman, Town Clerk

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