

of \$125,000, last payment on the Salt Shed \$61,000, CHIPS money \$40,000, and AIMS money was supposed to be 80% and it only came in at 60%, approximately \$30,000.

We had also applied to FEMA for a grant for the generator at the new Highway Garage. It was not received on time due to mailings with COVID so we were denied and that was approximately \$60,000. When you add it all up, we were shorted \$270,000 from state and federal governments. All bills have been paid and covered with the exception of the generator, that has not been purchased.

We need the Sand and Salt Shed grants to be paid. We have taken those funds from our own savings accounts to supplement the shortfalls of the state and federal governments. Hopefully we will be paid within 90 days.

PLANNING AND SENIORS

Councilman Fred Bosch states that Pete Carmicci is planning on having a senior board meeting, but things are still too tight to have a regular senior meeting.

YOUTH AND PARK DEVELOPMENT

Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas states that our town did not submit for the summer youth program but that Lumberland is having a program and our town is able to attend. We submitted our application for the Silver Feather Award by April 8, 2021.

CODE

Councilman Fred Bosch states the local codes are ready to adopt and will do so later in the meeting.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas states that things are progressing and being worked on.

GRANTS

Supervisor Haas states that grants were covered in his Supervisor report. Constable grant is still being worked on they still want another piece of information. The constables burned up 150 hours, this was an \$11,000 grant.

INSURANCE

Councilman James Gutekunst says to pay the flood insurance on the old highway garage.

BUILDINGS

Councilman Fred Bosch states that Joe Meidriech has things being taken care of and needs to fix steps in Heroes Park

BEAUTIFICATION

Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas states that beautification is being worked on differently this year. Doreen Hanson has closed the Veterans Banner project until next year and we will be working on getting the banners up. We have received applications for 44 banners and they have been ordered.

PERSONNEL

Councilman Gutekunst states they are looking to hire a clerk for the Building/Code office. A contract has been signed with Local 17 for the Highway Department @2.25% over three years.

CONSTABLES

Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas reports that the constables will be doing some trainings in public relations and reporting. Chief Walton also reports that their will be ongoing trainings for the officers. Two officers will be going to the Orange County Police Academy for public relations, reporting, and traffic stop training. We will continue to keep on top of trainings along with what is mandated by the state.

WEBSITE

Councilman James Gutekunst reports that there are still some personnel that need to have training.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

Councilman James Gutekunst has nothing to report.

HEROES PARK

Pete Carmecchi reports that the flags in Heroes Park and the Senior Center have been changed. Eight new pavers will be placed in Heroes Park before Memorial Day. Flags will be place on May 19, 2021 in the cemeteries honoring the veterans. On May 30, 2021 in the Town of Tusten honoring of the veterans along with Honor Guard. There will be a board meeting at the Senior Center on May 20, 2021, we can only have 14 people in order to stay withing the guidelines. Supervisor Haas states that at this time we cannot go to fifty percent capacity because of social distancing.

OLD BUSINESS

October rabies clinic.

Emergency Response Plan has been drafted and sent to the Union.

Sullivan Renaissance Project application has been sent and filed with the state.

NEW BUSINESS

Fire code inspections will be discussed at the next meeting.

MOTION BY Councilman Fred Bosch to have the Town Board be the lead agency for the Environment Assessment in the Town of Highland, seconded by Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Fred Bosch to adopt amended Local Law #1 Chapter 190. Zoning, seconded by Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Fred Bosch to adopt amended Local Law #2 Chapter 34. Building and Energy Code Administration and Enforcement, seconded by Councilman James Gutekunst, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Supervisor Jeff Haas to adopt amended Local Law #3 Chapter 20. Adult Uses, seconded by Councilman James Gutekunst, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to adopt amended Local Law #4 Chapter 140. Property Maintenance Law, seconded by Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Fred Bosch to approve bids for Crushed Ledge Stone and Processed Gravel for the Highway Department as per the Highway Superintendent Tom Ebers, seconded by Councilman James Gutekunst, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas for approval of the Town Board for the Highway Superintendent Expenditures on the 284 Form, seconded by Councilman James Gutekunst, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to approve Susan Hoffman Registrar of Vital Statics and Record Retention Liaison, seconded by Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to approve Susan Hoffman interim Town Clerk.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to pay Highway #4-2021 claims #s 34-52 in the amount of \$60,103.51, seconded by Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to pay General Abstract #4-2021 claims #s 89-125 in the amount of \$29,373.43, seconded by Councilman Fred Bosch, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to pay Eldred Street Lights Abstract #4-2021#4 in the amount of \$88.73, seconded by Supervisor Jeff Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.\

PUBLIC COMMENT

Claudia Bocker and Kathy Daboul officers of the Town of Highland Lions Club, presented the Town Board with a proposal to help sponsor having a permanent public shredder for the residents of Highland. They are asking the town to pay for 3 months at ninety-five dollars a month. They have three other sponsors to sponsor the remaining months.

Peter Carmicci states the Veterans Book with sponsors is being worked on.

MOTION BY Councilman James Gutekunst to adjourn meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Kaitlyn Haas.

Respectfully submitted by
Susan Hoffman, Town Clerk
April 13, 2021