

TOWN OF HIGHLAND
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 13,2018

PRESENT SUPERVISOR JEFF HAAS
 COUNCILMAN JAMES GUTEKUNST
 COUNCILMAN FRED BOSCH
 COUNCILMAN JAMES HANSON
 COUNCILWOMAN KAITLIN HAAS

ALSO, PRESENT TOWN CLERK DOREEN HANSON

Flag Salute

Roll Call, all Board Members present.

MOTION BY Councilman Hanson to approve the December 2017 and January 2018 Financial reports seconded by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the Town Clerk January 2018 minutes seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received and read monthly report from the Highland Constable

Received and read monthly report from the American Legion Ambulance

Received and read monthly report from the Yulan Fire Dept.

Received and read 30-day advanced notice to Town of the renewal of the Sand Beach liquor license.

Received and read report from Elizabeth Frazier the Social Service Director

Received and read letter from Debra Conway in reference to the William G Pomeroy Grant.

SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Haas states we have advertised for the Highway Shop and are looking into Bonding also.

YOUTH AND PARK

Councilwoman Haas states we are working on a for a community park on State Land and we will present our proposal follow up on February 26,2018.

Insurance

Councilman Gutekunst states we are tying up loose ends with our retirees and the new health insurance.

BUILDINGS

Councilman Bosch states there was a problem with the furnace at the Senior Center that is now fixed Our Deputy Building Superintendent has started working on renovating the Court House.

BEUTIFICATION

Councilman Hanson state he talked to Councilman Bosch about trimming the shrubbery in the park across from the Town Hall. We are talking about placing a flag in Yulan Four Corners.

Anthony LaRuffa states the Lions Club would like to pay for the Flag Pole.

Personal

Councilman Gutekunst state we a position for a Planning and Zoning alternate.

CONSTABLES

Councilwoman Haas states Councilman Hanson and myself met with Chief Walton and we are going over the policies and procedures. We asked about a vehicle on Proctor Road and it has been removed.

UDC

Councilwoman Haas states the UDC had implemented a closing plan but we received notice that we will receive funding.

Supervisor Haas states he had written a letter to Congressman Fazo requesting funding for the UDC.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Haas states Debra Conway the Town Historian has received a grant from the William Pomeroy Foundation for two historic road side markers.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion on the Opportunity Zone. The Opportunity Zone program is intended to drive long term private capital investment to qualifying rural and low-income areas by deferring the taxes on capital gains that are reinvested there

RESOLUTION

MOTION BY Councilman Hanson to adopt the "Think Differently" initiative so that all are better prepared to communicate with, provide for, and support those living on the Autism Spectrum and with special needs, seconded by Councilman Gutekunst, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hanson to approve the Budgetary Transfers to be made to the 2017 Highway Budget seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Supervisor Haas to approve the Budgetary Transfer to be made to the 2017 Lighting District seconded by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all aye.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the Budgetary Transfer to be made to the 2017 General Budget seconded by Councilman Hanson, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the Agreement for Expenditure of Highway Money pursuant to Section 284 of the Highway Law, seconded by Councilman Gutekunst discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Supervisor Haas to correct the appointment made at the re-organizational meeting, add Kailin Haas, James Hanson to the Emergency Management Committee, and re-appoint Alice Foster as the clerk to the CEO/ Building Inspector seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Hanson to approve a resolution supporting the Nomination and designation of Census Tract#9524 as an Opportunity Zone under the Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve and pay the audited General Abstract #2-2018 claims #19 to 64 in the amount of \$19,382.91 seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the Highway Abstract #1-2018 claim #1 in the amount of \$22,829.15 seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve the Capital Abstract claim in the amount of \$5,068.70 seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Gutekunst to approve General Abstract #14-2017 claims #482 in the amount of \$3920.00 seconded by Councilman Hanson discussion motion carried all aye.

Motion to adjourn

Respectively submitted

Doreen Hanson

Town of Highland Town Clerk.