

Angelica Town Board Meeting Minutes September 9, 2019

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Present: Robert Jones, Supervisor
Girard Kelly, Councilman
Don Case, Councilman
Elwyn Gordon, Councilmen
John "Skip" Hecker, Councilmen

Recording Secretary: Sharon Presutti, Town Clerk

Absent: None

Others Present: Kevin "Fred" Demick, Highway Superintendent, Rick Abbott,
Dog Control Officer, Guy Starck, David Haggstrom, Jeremy Morton,
Kevin Dewey

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Opening

The regular meeting of the Angelica Town Board was called to order at 7:10 pm on September 9, 2019 in Angelica, NY at the Grange Meeting Room at 55 Park Circle by Robert Jones.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Minutes:

Minutes of the August 12, 2019 regular board meeting were distributed. There were no corrections, deletions or additions noted. A motion was made by Skip Hecker to approve, seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon	Aye
Skip Hecker	Aye
Robert Jones	Aye
Girard Kelly	Aye
Don Case	Aye

Abstract Approvals:

General expenditures - \$70456.46

A motion was made by Donald Case and seconded by Girard Kelly to approve payment.

Elwyn Gordon	Aye
Skip Hecker	Aye
Robert Jones	Aye
Girard Kelly	Aye
Don Case	Aye

Highway expenditures - \$25053.42

A motion was made by Girard Kelly and seconded by Donald Case to approve payment.

Elwyn Gordon	Aye
Skip Hecker	Aye
Robert Jones	Aye
Girard Kelly	Aye
Don Case	Aye

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Budget Sheets and Supervisor's Reports:

Robert Jones read and distributed the Budget Sheet's and Supervisor's reports for period ending August 31, 2019. There were no questions. Elwyn Gordon motioned to accept these reports seconded by Skip Hecker.

Elwyn Gordon	Aye
Skip Hecker	Aye
Robert Jones	Aye
Girard Kelly	Aye
Don Case	Aye

Financial Reports:

Robert Jones distributed the NYCLASS Summary Statement for August 2019 noting: Balance \$2,640,215.59 YTD Interest \$35664.10 monthly interest \$4,4720.35 and Average Interest Rate of 2.11%.

Town Business Review:

Town Clerk's Reports:

The complete Town Clerk's monthly reports were distributed by the Town Clerk.

Dogs - \$205.00
Decals - \$53.65
Certified Copies - \$30.00
Cemetery Lot Sales - \$
Marriage License - \$35
Burials - \$550.00
Memorial Bases - \$0

Town Justice Report:

August 2019 Town Justice report was distributed, along with the complete report in councilman's packets. \$22427.00 fines and fees were collected for August. Robert Jones noted to the councilman to complete the monthly checklist for Review of Justice Court Records and to hang on to those.

Dog Control:

Rick Abbott reported that he had one dog placed into the shelter that is being adopted out tomorrow. Skip Hecker asked Rick about an issue at the shelter. Rick reported that the squirrels have chewed holes in the soffits and are living in the walls. He would like some repair patching done before winter to cover up the holes. Kevin Demick suggested that we look into pricing for putting metal on the shelter for the upcoming budget, he said they will get it covered up for now and look to do something better next year.

Assessor/Real Property Report: no report given,

Robert Jones noted that Russ Heslin's fees will not be going up for 2020.

Code Enforcement: no report given,

Robert Jones informed the Board that he met with the Amity Deputy Supervisor to discuss MACE. The Town of Amity is interested in joining MACE due to what may or may not go in down at the Crossroads. Currently they do not have a certified code enforcement officer. MACE is hoping that they will come on board. The Village of Cuba has joined and maybe the Town of Cuba.

Highway:

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Kevin Demick reported that the Snow and Ice contract with the County is still in the County's hands. This contract is supposed to begin October 1, 2019. The committee has been working with the County and are making some changes to the contract. This was going to the Board of Legislature today. Some of the changes they were looking at were going from \$50/mile to \$75/mile, times of service, copies of sand invoices being sent to the County, better electronic communications and issues with Towns covering other Towns. A lot of little things, nothing major. The Executive Committee will meet with the County in December, if there is an increase in fuel cost they could change the per mile fee just for the current year. This is a 3 year contract. Kevin noted that Alfred and Genesee do not plow and that the County may take over the entire County Rte. 12.

Hyland:

Robert Jones distributed the DEC monitoring report for the month of July, this includes the daily inspection report sheets done by Beverly Lewinski and the Solid Waste Mgmt Facility Inspection Report done by Beverly Lewinski. He also distributed the quarterly report from the Antea Group, our third party landfill inspectors.

Miscellaneous:

Letter from Village regarding the Fire and Ambulance contract update - Robert Jones read a letter from the Village of Angelica regarding the Fire and Ambulance contract for 2020. The agreement for the Town of Angelica will increase to \$36,300 for the 2020 budget year. The fire amount represents a 2% increase and the ambulance an \$1800 increase to help cover the added expense of having MTS for 365 days per year.

Letter from Darcy Bailor regarding cemetery issue - Robert Jones read a letter from Darcy Bailor requesting that some type of posts (similar to what is on other corners) be put up on the corner where her father is buried. Kevin Demick reported that he has talked to Darcy before about this a few years ago, the corner was cleaned up then and the driveway moved a little. He will get some posts up there to stop people from cutting that corner.

Letter to Town Clerk to cease and desist the issuance of marriage licenses - Robert Jones distributed a notice that Sherri Presutti, Town Clerk, received in the mail to cease and desist the issuance of any and all marriage licenses. Sherri had asked him if she should forward this to the Town Attorney. This was looked into and every clerk in NYS received this notice. It was decided that nothing should be done about this.

Update Town Hall Project - Robert Jones reported that they met with the workers from R.E. Kelley on Friday and talked about the fact that the majority of the people who have spoke would love to see it left with the natural brick. They asked if there was something that could be put on the brick to preserve it without changing the color. They said that yes that could be done. Everyone agreed that a great job is being done and that they have heard many good compliments. They would like a paint color decided for the fascia, brackets and the cupola before they get the brick work done. Skip Hecker has contacted Darby Samargo from "The Color People" regarding paint colors. We would send them pictures and they take into consideration the surrounding buildings and choose a color that they feel would look the best. The cost for this service is \$750.00. Robert Jones motioned to hire this company seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon	Aye
Skip Hecker	Aye
Robert Jones	Aye
Girard Kelly	Aye
Donald Case	Aye

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Skip Hecker will be the contact person for this. Skip Hecker asked Robert Jones if we had to have a Special Meeting for the public to decide the color, he said no, the Board can decide.

Harassment Prevention Policies & Procedures as Adopted: Robert Jones distributed the Harassment Prevention Policies & Procedures Handbook and noted that everyone has to be trained by October 9, 2019. Kevin Demick added that he is working with Pat Regan with ESI the EAP group for the Highway Association. They are hoping that this can be done through their website. Kevin is waiting to hear back from Pat in regards to whether or not his senior people at ESI will allow this. Kevin will get information to all of us as to how to comply with this requirement.

Other questions and concerns:

Skip Hecker had a few items he wanted to discuss:

1. Grant for the Justice Court - He needs a certified resolution from the Board to go ahead and submit the grant along with the annual Court budget for the Town for 2019. Robert Jones will get Skip Hecker the budget amounts that he needs. Skip Hecker made a motion to pass a resolution to apply for grant monies to improve the Court, seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon	Aye
Skip Hecker	Aye
Robert Jones	Aye
Girard Kelly	Aye
Donald Case	Aye

Resolution Number: 9-1-19

Whereas it is necessary for the Town Board to give approval for the Justice to apply for grant monies for the improvement of the Town Justice Court.

Therefore be it resolved, The Town Board permits Justice Robert Evans to apply for grant monies to improve the court.

The Town Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Skip Hecker distributed a list of what the grant will be spent on shall we get it. Amber Snyder, Town Court Clerk, is the administrator of the grant. This needs to be submitted by October 10, 2019.

2. Skip Hecker asked where we stood with replacing Justice Evans. Robert Jones is open to anyone that wants to do it. Judge Markee recommended finding someone, get them trained so that they can be appointed to fill Justice Evans term as he will be on the ballot and will have to resign. David Haggstrom will get it in the next Booster News. If we can't find anyone then we will have to bring another Justice from another Town to fill in. Judge Markee would handle this.

3. Park - Skip Hecker reported that we have a big issue with the swing set, he believes that the swings need to be replaced. He asked Kevin Demick to get them off so they can be furthered looked at.

Skip Hecker mentioned that the drop offs, behind the baskets on the basketball court, need to be filled in before someone gets hurt. Robert Jones thought that we could get some top soil packed down in those areas.

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Skip Hecker asked about the spot that was fixed in the Park before Heritage Weekend, wondering why there isn't grass seed on it yet. Kevin Demick will see if they can get some grass seed in there, was waiting to make sure it stayed put before they did that.

Skip Hecker asked about fixing the electric on the South side of the Park as it is on the North side. It was decided not to do this until after the Fall Festival weekend which is October 5th. Robert Jones asked Elwyn Gordon if he would be available to help get this done, he said he would be.

4. Iron Bench behind Town Barn - Skip Hecker reported while him and Kevin Demick were looking at the Cemetery Fencing he noticed an iron bench back there with a broken leg, Kevin said it could be used somewhere if they get it welded up. Skip wondered if it could be put at the Tennis Court.

5. Tennis Court - Skip Hecker asked Kevin Demick what the status of the Tennis court was. Kevin was hoping that the sealer would be put on by the end of the week. Once the sealer is done the bottom part of the fence will get put on. Skip asked what happened to the old fence, Kevin said it went to the scrap yard.

6. Grange - Skip Hecker asked Robert Jones if he had talked to the head of the Grange committee (Karen Ash) to see what the status was on the acoustics. He replied that as far as he knows the final study is not back yet.

Skip Hecker asked about the broken window at the Grange, close to the ground, wondering how to get that fixed. It is one of the cellar, double paned, windows.

Skip Hecker distributed an estimate he asked for to get the Grange Hall back into shape. The estimate is from Mike Snowden Contracting. Robert Jones asked if he is insured, Skip responded yes. Robert Jones would like to meet with Mr. Snowden to get some more details. Skip Hecker will set up a meeting with Mr. Snowden. They will ask him to possibly do something with the broken window.

7. Cemetery Fence - Skip Hecker reported that we need about 600 feet for the front of the Cemetery. There are 44 sections down at the town barn, 8 foot sections. He is not sure of the condition of all of them. Skip has talked with a company out of Hamilton, Canada that does custom wrought iron fencing. They have the ability to take what we have and make a mold out of them. There is another company in Niagara Falls that he has looked at and one out of Ohio that he will look at also. Skip can send pictures to them to get a cost estimate. There are also other alternatives to look at, ie - aluminum fencing vs. cast iron. Skip will bring more information to the next Board meeting.

David Haggstrom wanted to thank Kevin Demick and crew for all the hard work they do to make Heritage Days a success. He also thanked Skip Hecker for the work that he does on the Veteran's monument. David reported that all that is left to do on the kiosk at Joncy is to put up some type of brochure holder to display current activity brochures along with a bulletin board for larger notices. He wondered about the possibility of putting a picnic table/bench there and trash barrel.

Kevin Dewey wanted to thank the creator of the renovations on the Basketball court, looks great. He also wanted to let the Board know that he has nothing but positive things to say about Chris Kamrowski and the RE Kelley company working on the Town Hall.

Robert Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 seconded by Girard Kelly. Respectfully submitted, Sharon Presutti, Angelica Town Clerk