

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Taylor held **November 10, 2015** at the Town Hall commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Present:	Supervisor:	Steven Breneman
	Councilmen:	Jeffrey Smith
		Riley Closson
		Joey Pudney
		Theodore Law Jr.
	Town Clerk:	Jaymie Closson
	Highway Supervisor:	Roy Eltz
	Code Officer:	Michael Andersen
	Planning Board Chair	Kathryn Elwood
Others Present:	Accountant:	Deborah Fisher
	Historian:	Sharon Eltz
	New Elected Councilman:	Russel Eltz
		Jamie Breneman

Steven called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

Prior to the meeting the Board members had a chance to read, review and discuss copies of October 2015 meeting minutes and the October 2015 Public Hearing Minutes. They also reviewed, discussed and signed Highway and General Fund vouchers to be paid this month.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

MOTION was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Jeffrey Smith that the minutes of October 2015 meeting as submitted by the Town Clerk are approved

Votes Cast:	Steven Breneman	“aye”	
	Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
	Riley Closson	“aye”	
	Theodore Law Jr.	“aye”	
	Joey Pudney	“aye”	CARRIED

MOTION was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Jeffrey Smith that the minutes of October 2015 Public Hearing meeting as submitted by the Town Clerk are approved

Votes Cast:	Steven Breneman	“aye”	
	Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
	Riley Closson	“aye”	
	Theodore Law Jr.	“aye”	
	Joey Pudney	“aye”	CARRIED

MOTION to approve the Accountant’s report was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Jeffrey Smith

Votes Cast:	Steven Breneman	“aye”	
	Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
	Riley Closson	“aye”	
	Theodore Law Jr.	“aye”	
	Joey Pudney	“aye”	CARRIED

MOTION to pay *Highway Vouchers* for a total of \$2372.36 was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Jeffrey Smith

Votes cast: Steven Breneman "aye"
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Theodore Law Jr. "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"

CARRIED

MOTION to pay *General Fund Vouchers* for a total of \$5,828.85 was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Jeffrey Smith

Votes cast: Steven Breneman "aye"
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Theodore Law Jr. "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"

CARRIED

Total funds disbursed: \$8,201.21

INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE, DISCUSSION:

- Steve received 2016 contract from Country Acers Animal Shelter. It did not include a price so he is going to have to call to find out if it has increased at all. It was put off to approve until December 2015 meeting.
- Still have not received the Fire Protection Contract. There are 2 fire commissioner openings. Question if you have to be a Cincinnati resident to be one. Majority seemed to think so, but not 100% sure.
- Steve was told that the Town of Willet emergency protection stayed the same; they do not need fire protection. Cincinnati is now going to have McGraw as automatic backup because Marathon will not do it.

2016 Budget

- No change to be made it just needs to be approved. No discussion on the budget. Would have like to have had 2016 fire/emergency amount but since we do not have it, it was just left as the same amount for 2015. Our 2016 budget needs to be approved by November 20, 2015.

MOTION to approve 2016 Budget as written and filed with the Town Clerk was made by Jeffrey Smith, seconded by Riley Closson

Votes Cast: Steven Breneman "aye"
Jeffrey Smith "aye"
Riley Closson "aye"
Theodore Law Jr. "aye"
Joey Pudney "aye"

CARRIED

HIGHWAY REPORT: *by Roy Eltz*

- Roy received a phone call from Arnie Huntley that he has a load of buckwheat and pea coal mix that he can't use; they messed up on his load when he got it. He paid \$4,000.00 for it and would be willing to sell it to us for \$3,000.00. It can be used at the Town Barn but not at the Town Hall.
 - It was discussed that we would not be able to get a load for any cheaper than that and it will not spoil
 - Roy would have to take the dump truck up to get it and the town can load it.
 - Decision was made to purchase it.
- Ernest Stapperferne Jr. was at the Town Barn wanted to know if any decisions have been made about the road by him on Potter Hill Road.

- He told Roy that if the town is not going to do anything about it, then he wants the town to plow it because he is tired of having to pay to have it plowed.
- Discussion about when the land was purchased to put move the road that put Grandad Road to still come into Potter Hill just above his driveway and that road is abandoned but still a town road. Ernest can never build anything on it because it still belongs to the town.
- He would like the U shape (old Potter Hill Road) turned over to him to be on his tax map.
- In order to that it would have to be all of Grandad Road divided up between parcels.
- Decided that Clerk would look up 1995 minutes to see what actually happened when the land was bought and the road was moved.
- The County Engineer came over and where the 3 foot pipe is was decided that it is the homeowner's problem, not the towns.
 - Our 3 foot pipe was put in before his pipe was put in. He knew that we had only a 3 foot pipe in place and he put in a 30 inch pipe, it can't take the water and it has washed his driveway out a couple times.
 - Homeowner thinks we need to move the water down the road and into the woods. Engineer said that since he undersized his pipe and doesn't own the land there is nothing that the homeowner can make the town do about it.
- The people that own the camp above Hopkins residence think the town needs to oil and stone the road next year. He felt it was too dusty this summer without much rain.
 - Decided that Roy will call him back and let him know it has always been a dirt road and it's still going to be. All roads were dusty this year.
- Spoke to bus driver Fred Downs about going down the steep hill on the upper part of Pudney Road.
 - Roy felt that it wasn't safe for a bus to go down, but Fred felt it was ok.
 - Roy said he would do what he can to keep it cleared but he can't put solid salt on the road because it will eat the road up, he does plow and sand it.

BUILDING AND INSPECTION: *by Michael Andersen*

- Discussion about changing building fees for next year. Change things that are a no charge permit to at least a small amount. It is taking the time and money to go inspect it so there should be at least a small charge.
 - When we do complete the new fees, Agricultural buildings are exempt from state codes as far as building. The town can say that still need to purchase a permit, but the state stays out of the building code part of building it.
 - Agricultural building is only if it is built for animals or hay. If it is storing tractors it then becomes a garage.
- Checked to see if the trailer on Union Valley Road has been torn down yet. Sent him a letter giving him until November 24th to have it removed. After that he would be issuing a court appearance ticket.
 - Mike was told that he would be taking it down in the spring. He told Mr. Francisco that he could leave it there through the winter but he would have to apply for a permit to have it there and then follow the proper procedures to make sure it was up to New York State codes.
 - The County Health Department did go and check on it. Since it is not being lived in there was nothing that needed to be done by them.
- Sent Steve Fox a letter on the 19th that he needed to clean up his vehicles from his property. He gave him until November 2nd to have it completed.
 - So far not has been done yet so Mike wrote up a Court order and dropped off a copy to the town attorney, Ronald Walsh to review. Court appearance is set for the first Wednesday in December and answer why he hasn't responded to removing the vehicles. A photo of all the vehicles was also included.

- Spoke to Justice, Rollan Elwood and gave him a copy of the letter. Have not given him the court appearance yet, waiting to hear from Mr. Walsh that everything was ok with it.
- Mike informed Mr. Fox that if the town board wanted to give him an extension, that was up to the board and he could ask. Even if he gets the vehicles cleaned up between now and the court date, he still has to appear. Once Mike turns it over to the Justice, it is out of his hands.
- Mr. Fox informed the Clerk that he wasn't going to do any cleaning up of his property until he found out who made the complaint against him. Mike shared with the board that there is a law in place that protects people to be able to give an anonymous complaint. Once a complaint is made, the law takes over and the code enforcer becomes the complainer.
- Mr. Walsh asked if he should be present for the court date with Mr. Fox. It was decided by the board that it would be a good idea to have him there.
- Elwood residence on Taylor Valley Road is almost completed.
- Ed Lamb's property is closed up and weather tight for the winter.

PLANNING BOARD: *by Kathryn Elwood*

- No meetings have taken place
- John Button has not called to let her know if he has had his property surveyed again yet or not

CLERK'S REPORT: *by Jaymie Closson*

- Total of \$1087.72
- \$1020.00 in hunting licenses. \$963.80 to DEC and \$56.20 to town
- 1 marriage license for \$40.00. \$22.50 to NYS Dept. of Health and \$17.50 to town
- 4 dog licenses totaling \$28.00. \$4.00 to NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets and \$ 24.00 to town
- Asked Steve what he found of from Assessor, Fran Butler about the letter that went out to seasonal residents.
 - Steve left her a message and now they are playing phone tag. Still waiting to hear back from her.

HISTORIAN REPORT *by Sharon Eltz*

- Sharon let the board know that Beth Hummel did a great job as the previous Historian
- Will need to buy a couple more folders in the next year.
- The only thing that was not seen anywhere in the records was where it was kept track of the births and marriages in the town.
 - Clerk informed her that unless the child is actually born in the town she would not have record of it and only has record of marriages that the license was purchased through her.
- Question to Sharon if everyone was staying on the Board of Assessment.
 - As far as Sharon knows she is not sure about Marge Parks. She has not come the past 2 years and her term has ended. Sharon to check with her.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Riley Closson at 7:40 p.m., seconded by Jeffrey Smith

Votes cast:	Steven Breneman	"aye"
	Jeffrey Smith	"aye"
	Riley Closson	"aye"
	Theodore Law Jr.	"aye"
	Joey Pudney	"aye"

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,
 Jaymie Closson
 Town Clerk