

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting taking place at the Taylor Town Hall on:  
**October 13, 2020 at 7 p.m.**

Present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Smith  
Councilman/Deputy Supervisor: Riley Closson  
Councilmen: Harold R. Eltz (Russell)  
Joey Pudney  
Theodore Law Jr. (TJ)  
Clerk/Tax Collector: Jaymie Closson

Absent:

Accountant: Deborah Hubbard (Debbie)  
Highway Superintendent: Chris Smith  
Historian/Deputy Clerk/Planning Bd. Sec.: Sharon Eltz  
Planning Board Chair: Barbara Allen  
Building/Code Enforcement: Derek Raimo

Others Present:

Cortland County Legislator Mitchel Eccleston

Jeff called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to the meeting the councilmen were given the chance to read and review September 2020 meeting minutes and also time to review and sign general and highway fund vouchers.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Mitchel asked the town to get with their attorney and come up with a reasonable livestock law. The livestock law is back on the County's agenda. If the town has their own law in place it will take precedence over the County's.
- County working on the 2021 budget. So far around 25 people have been let go.
- The culvert has been put in on Taylor Valley Road. Will ask Charlie again at the County about the stripe on Whitney Road.

**VOUCHER DISCUSSION:**

None

**PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES DISCUSSION:**

None.

**MOTION** to approve the September 2020 meeting minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith "aye"  
Riley Closson "aye"  
Joey Pudney "aye"  
Russell Eltz "aye"  
TJ Law "aye"

CARRIED

**MOTION** to approve the minutes for the September 2020 Public Hearing as submitted by the Town Clerk was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
Riley Closson	“aye”	
Joey Pudney	“aye”	
Russell Eltz	“aye”	
TJ Law	“aye”	CARRIED

**ACCOUNTANTS REPORT DISCUSSION:**

None

**MOTION** to approve the Accountants Report as submitted by the Accountant was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Russell Eltz.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
Riley Closson	“aye”	
Joey Pudney	“aye”	
Russell Eltz	“aye”	
TJ Law	“aye”	CARRIED

**MOTION** to approve the October 2020 Highway fund vouchers in the amount of \$30,048.70 was made by TJ Law and seconded by Riley Closson.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
Riley Closson	“aye”	
Joey Pudney	“aye”	
Russell Eltz	“aye”	
TJ Law	“aye”	CARRIED

**MOTION** to approve the October 2020 General fund vouchers in the amount of \$7,438.71 was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
Riley Closson	“aye”	
Joey Pudney	“aye”	
Russell Eltz	“aye”	
TJ Law	“aye”	CARRIED

Total Disbursement: \$37,487.41

**DISCUSSION:**

- Highway department is over budget for 2020 already
- Discussed the work that was done recently on the International
- Discussed that the Highway Dept. should start spraying the trucks off after each use when done plowing
- Garage door is finally fixed at the Highway Dept garage
- The plow on the International might have to be replaced
- Still no word on the bridge on Potter Hill

- Lawyer is hopefully coming to next month's meeting with the information on the solar law
- Lawyer typically asks for \$3,500 annually but wasn't sure about this year what he will charge since we are more than half way through, Jeff said he agreed to the \$2,500 for this year that was already in our budget to get the solar law done
- Budget Review for 2021
  - Our budget is actually going down for the total amount in 2021
  - Haven't received anything from the Fire Department yet so going to budget for the same amount as 2020
  - November 10 at 6:30 p.m. will be the Public Hearing for the 2021 budget

**PLANNING BOARD: Barb Allen**

None - absent

**BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT: Derek Raimo**

Report filed

**HIGHWAY Present by Chris Smith**

None - absent

**ANIMAL**

None

**CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR Presented by Jaymie Closson**

\$3,346.83 in DEC Sales - \$168.53 to town, \$3,178.30 to DEC

\$329 in dog licenses - \$56 to town, \$273 to NYS

**MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m. was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Jeffrey Smith	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaymie Closson

Clerk