

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Taylor held **October 13, 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.
	Highway Supervisor:	Roy Eltz
	Code Officer:	Michael Andersen
Absent:	Planning Board Chair	Kathryn Elwood
Others Present:	Accountant:	Deborah Fisher
		Marie Peri

Steven called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

Prior to the meeting the Board members had a chance to read, review and discuss copies of September 2015 meeting 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 September 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”	<b>CARRIED</b>

**MOTION** was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Theodore Law Jr. that the minutes of September 2015 Special 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”	<b>CARRIED</b>

**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”	<b>CARRIED</b>

**MOTION** to pay *Highway Vouchers* for a total of \$12,423.63 was made by Riley Closson, seconded by Theodore Law Jr.

Votes cast:	Steven Breneman		
	Jeffrey Smith	“aye”	
	Riley Closson	“aye”	
	Theodore Law Jr.	“aye”	
	Joey Pudney	“aye”	<b>CARRIED</b>

**MOTION** to pay *General Fund* Vouchers for a total of \$1,336.76 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:           \$13,760.39**

**INFORMATION, CORRESPONDENCE, DISCUSSION:**

- Tax Assessor, Fran Butler sent a list of people we could have do our town reassessment
- Fran is leaning towards having Briggs still to do it
- Question on whether board members would like to look into the people on the list or just continue to have Briggs move forward since no one on the list is local
  - They will keep the information filed in their office and do not turn it over to our assessor
  - Fran needs this information to her job
  - Their thinking behind it is this way we will have to hire them to do annual maintenance since they have our files
- Preference was that Briggs continue to do it since he has done ours before and he is familiar with the area

Sharon Eltz has volunteered to take over as Town Historian

**HIGHWAY REPORT:** *by Roy Eltz*

- Roy asked Debbie if she has received any checks back on CHIPS money and if she has completed his paperwork for him to be turned in
- Piece of equipment in the salt shed that cannot be used anymore, question on if he should sell it
- Board agreed that it should be sold since it is not used
- Question on if the town is looking for a grader. Used one for sale in Chenango Bridge to possibly look it
- New employee already has health insurance that does not cost him anything to have
  - Town has to offer insurance to him after 90 days of employment, but he is going to keep what he currently already has
- Question on if we pay for street lights per light or just a general amount
  - When the pole broke by the town barn and a the new pole was put back up it does not have a light one it
  - Stated that we just pay for street lights so the electric bill should go down, Debbie to keep an eye on the NYSEG bill
  - Stated that there should be a street light on that corner, should call and have it put back up

**DOG REPORT**

- One dog was picked up and then adopted out

**BUILDING AND INSPECTION:** *by Michael Andersen*

- Received a complaint on a mobile home in a field on Union Valley Road
  - Was told by the owner that he is going to tear it apart in the Spring
  - However, since he didn't get a permit to put it there to begin with Mike told him it was up to the board how long he can keep it there
  - He was supposed to have a certified hauler to move it there and a permit to put it on the property to begin with, he didn't do either

- Board decided to give him 30 days to have it gone
- Currently living in a camper in the town so the Health Department had to come speak to him about that too
- Received a complaint on Steve Fox's property about his many vehicles
  - Sent him a letter and gave him 45 days to have them removed. Enclosed a copy of the state law that says no more than 1 unlicensed/unregistered vehicle and no vehicle shall be in the state of disassemble
  - Major repairs and painting must be done inside a garage
  - Steve was not very happy about having to clean up but once a complaint has been made it has to be followed through on
  - Steve mentioned about putting up a tall fence but that will not matter because the cars are still there. If he had put the fence up in the past no one would have seen to the mess to complain
  - He can apply for a junkyard permit, but it will take some time to be approved or not. He would need to start with the county. There are a lot of rules and regulations to a junkyard
- At this time, they both have their deadlines to have it taken care of. If not taken care of it will then go to the Town Justice and with a daily fine set
- Brought up wanting to redo building fee amounts
  - Right now our fee schedule and building permits are very confusing
  - Also, small fee for everything. Still taking the time to go check the work so there should be a charge
- Lamb permit is still open
- Brooks Hill Road shed is almost completed
- Suarez Road roof is almost completed
- Talked to DEC-any outdoor boiler has to be 100 feet off the property line, must have an 18 foot stack, and must be a 2011 or newer boiler
- Stopped at Pittsley residence on Taylor Valley Road, have an email into the state about campers and how long people are allowed to live in them. They are not meeting the energy codes

**CLERK'S REPORT:** *by Jaymie Closson*

- 48 Dog Licenses-\$413 in dog license fees
  - \$70 to New York State and \$343 to Town
- \$2055 in DECALS
  - \$113.28 to Town and \$1941.72 to DEC
- Marriage License for \$40
  - \$17.50 to town and \$22.50 to NYS
- 3 Building Permits
  - Peri-\$50, Elwood-\$75, and McKee-\$25
- Received a complaint from a tax payer, Ed Battle that he received a letter from the Tax Assessor wanting pictures and measurements of his place
  - He wanted to know why only seasonal residents received this letter and not residents
  - He was upset that seasonal homeowners were being discriminated against
  - He sent Fran a letter and said that if he did not hear back from her he would be attending the next town board meeting
  - Decided that Steve would call Fran and see about what is going on
  - Thought that maybe she was trying to catch the seasonal residents before they left for the winter
  - He was not upset about the reassessment, just about the seasonal people getting the letter

**MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made by Jeffrey Smith at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Riley Closson

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