

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting taking place at the Taylor Town Hall on:  
**May 8, 2018 at 7 p.m.**

Present

Supervisor: Bryce Wehner  
Councilmen: Riley Closson  
Theodore Law Jr. (TJ)  
Joey Pudney  
Harold R. Eltz (Russell)  
Clerk/Tax Collector: Jaymie Closson  
Building/Code Enforcement: Michael Andersen (Mike)  
Highway Superintendent: Chris Smith  
Planning Board Chair: Barb Allen  
Historian: Sharon Eltz

Absent

Accountant: Deborah Hubbard (Debbie)  
Justice: Rollan Elwood

Others Present:

Bryce called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Prior to the meeting the councilmen were given the chance to read and review April 2018 meeting minutes and also time to review, discuss and sign general and highway fund vouchers for May 2018.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES DISCUSSION:**

None

**MOTION** to approve the April 2018 meeting minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner "aye"  
Riley Closson "aye"  
TJ Law "aye"  
Russell Eltz "aye"  
Joey Pudney "aye"

CARRIED

**ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT DISCUSSION:**

None

**MOTION** to approve the accountant's report as submitted by the Accountant was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner "aye"  
Riley Closson "aye"  
TJ Law "aye"  
Russell Eltz "aye"  
Joey Pudney "aye"

CARRIED

**MOTION** to pay payment number three of three of the Fire District contract in the amount of \$12,408.56 was made by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

**DISCUSSION OF VOUCHERS:**

None

**MOTION** to approve the May 2018 highway fund vouchers in the amount of 5,327.72 was made by Riley Closson and seconded by Russell Eltz.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

**MOTION** to approve the May 2018 general fund vouchers in the amount of \$46,594.58 was made by TJ Law and seconded by Joey Pudney.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

Total Disbursement \$64,330.86

**AGENDA TOPICS**

- NYMIR will be doing inspections on all the buildings on May 22, 2018 at 12:30 p.m.
- All State is coming to do the insurance report on the loader tomorrow
- Beach Hill Contract – there were some issues with the overhead door size on the scope of work. 12x14 was too small, we needed 14x14. Bryce called the door company and got the 2 doors that were too small at cost and the town will have to sell. It was an honest mistake made on the scope of work, but needed to be fixed. Waiting on the new correct size doors to come and be installed. We will pay for them once installed and upon inspection.
- NYSEG letter was sent and we are being added to the waiting list. We are one of the first towns on the list, hopefully should have LED streetlights by mid-summer.
- Any correspondence that Chris has from the state regarding Town Line Bridge, a copy should be given to Sharon for Historian files.
- Received another letter from THOMA about any reserve money the town may have of theirs. Discussed that we have none. Bryce will follow up with a phone call.
- Bryce requested a copy of any paperwork Chris has on the abandonment on Jordan Road
- The accident report from Chris about the loader is not completed yet; Bryce requested a copy of it for himself as well as the insurance company and would also like a copy of the police report to have on file.
- McKee Road still needs to be grated and a mileage report brought to meetings.

### **PLANNING BOARD: presented by Barb Allen**

- The Planning Board would like to have a meeting with Mike Andersen sometime and will discuss a time that works for the both of them.

### **BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT: presented by Mike Andersen**

- Perry still not closed on Doran Hill, still waiting on deck
- Yales on telephone road are putting in an in ground pool
- Camper on Whitney Road as temporary housing. Nothing can be done about it as we have no local law to regulate campers.

### **HIGHWAY: presented by Chris Smith**

- Getting roads ready for oil and stone. Going to be doing Brooks Hill Road, finish Potter Hill, Allen Hill, and finish Elwood Road.
- Allen Hill and Brooks Hill have soft spots. Will dig out and put in drains.
- Hauled in stone for mix. Going to be done as soon as Vestal Asphalt is available.
- Swept roads once
- CHIPS funding for the year, roughly \$182,000.
- Seasonal roads grated as needed usually once a year
- Some salt already in for next year. Use roughly 500 ton a year. Pitcher says they took roughly 20-25 ton a year. Will see if it makes a difference this year with Pitcher not getting their salt here anymore.
- Monroe is going to get proper title and bill of sale for the loader to Chris so it can be properly registered with the DMV. Prior superintendent never did that.
- Board requested the mileage reports consistently done each month for each piece of equipment.
- Chris reported about his accident on May 4, 2018. He was operating the loader by the new storage barn on town line road and rolled it over on its side. All the proper protocol was followed by Bryce. Chris went to the ER and a police report was filed, the insurance department was notified. The county has been cutting shoulders and dumped nearly 20 loads at the site; the left tire was too high on the pile. Minor damage was done to the machine. Monroe tractor is coming Friday to give an estimate. It appears to be running fine.
- Bryce personally thanked Jimmy Latta from Cincinnatus for helping to move the dirt out of the way for the tow truck. Chris thanked as well.
- Bryce reported about a meeting that Chris and he had about Chris' job performance. Discussed the 3 options, getting a lawyer involved to remove from position, resign from the position, or do the job properly. Needs to be confident and competent to do the job correctly. Reminded him to come to the meetings and write things down.
- Discussion held among Board Members about rewriting the Highway Superintendent job description.
- Discussion about Chris having 3 people working thru the summer. Whitey worked last summer to show them how to use the excavator to dig ditches, this year it could be a 2 man position since Chris should know how to run all the equipment by now.
- Board not opposed to shared work among other towns, just needs to make sure insurance waiver is signed. There is occasionally sometimes when a 3<sup>rd</sup> man is needed.
- Discussed Chris' job duties. He is still learning, needs to be make safety and financial decisions that are beneficial to the town.
- The new building needs to be added to the insurance.
- Discussion about new building. Everything is done and looks great. All very happy with Beach Hill's work.
- Discussion on contacting board members when/if Chris has questions. Needs to contact which Board Member he thinks would be the best to answer that specific question.
- Discussion about taking care of safety issues first and foremost. McKees is coming to look at the tire on the loader this week.

- Board apologized for being so hard on Chris this meeting. Just need it documented in the minutes.

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:**

- None

**CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR REPORT: presented by Jaymie Closson**

- \$70 DEC Licenses; \$3.86 to town, \$66.14 to DEC
- \$25 Hayes Building Permit
- \$50 Yale Pool Permit
- \$25 Smith Building Permit
- \$50,000 to County for taxes
- \$9.00 for tax collector interest to town

Chris told the board that fire extinguisher inspections will be done by Riverside tomorrow.

**MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:07 p.m. by Riley Closson and seconded by TJ Law.

Votes Cast:

Bryce Wehner	“aye”
Riley Closson	“aye”
TJ Law	“aye”
Russell Eltz	“aye”
Joey Pudney	“aye”

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jaymie Closson*

Clerk