

September 02, 2020

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Colchester, Delaware County, New York was held on Wednesday, September 02, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Arthur M. Merrill Supervisor
Julie A. Markert Councilwoman
Janet L. Champlin Councilwoman
Mark W. Mattson Councilman
Gregory L. Lavorgna Councilman
Recording Secretary: Julie B. Townsend Town Clerk

Others present: Kenneth R. Eck, Jr.-Highway Supt., Michael DeGroat-Town Attorney, Alan Donner, Jim Shields, Pio DeRoda and Officer Cawley. ZOOM attendees: Jeff Francisco-Delaware Engineering, Lillian Browne-The Reporter, Bonnie Seegmiller, Rob Hafele and BossHogHemingway.

The Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Arthur M. Merrill and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, August 19, 2020 had been distributed earlier. Janet Champlin made the motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Julie Markert, all in favor, motion carried.

VISITOR COMMENTS: none.

CORRESPONDENCE: none

REPORTS- written reports on file at Town Clerk's Office:

- Cooks Falls Water District- August 2020- 20 customers balance due \$2,415; Receipts of \$465.01 disbursed to Supervisor.
- Downsville Water District- August 2020- 43 customers balance due \$6,744.23; Receipts of \$5,061.63 disbursed to Supervisor.
- Town Clerk- August 2020- Total disbursed \$6,654.03 of which \$6,615.03 was Town revenues.
- Police- August 2020 Activity Report.

Supervisor Merrill reported that we have received Requisition Number 3 from EFC and have paid Wakeman payment#1, now we need a resolution to amend the DWD Budget; the approved propane tanks need to be installed and filled; final electric hook-up is needed; remote radios will be using the Highway's radio license, but will have its own frequency. Board discussed.

NO. 66-2020 09/02/20 Budget Amendment for DWD

Julie Markert made the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Downsville Water District has made Requisition Number 3 to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation in the amount of \$248,444.00 for the DWD DWSRF #17537 Project; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Colchester has received said NYSEFC funds of \$248,444.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby authorizes Supervisor Arthur M. Merrill to amend the 2017 Budget by increasing the DWD Revenue State Aid/Water Capital Project Fund #3991.08 by \$248,444.00 and increasing the DWD Appropriations Rehabilitation Grant Fund #8668.4.08 by \$248,444.00.

Resolution was seconded by Janet Champlin.

This resolution was put to a vote by roll call and resulted as follows:

Town Supervisor, Arthur M. Merrill	voting aye
Councilperson, Janet Champlin	voting aye
Councilperson, Julie A. Markert	voting aye

Councilperson, Mark W. Mattson voting aye

Councilperson, Gregory L. Lavorgna voting aye

The resolution was declared to be duly adopted by the members of the Town Board of the Town of Colchester.

Supervisor reported that the Cooks Falls Garage Project is completed. Supervisor is reviewing the final bill from Paul G. Ryder III Construction.

Supervisor Merrill reported that more documents have been signed for the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program Project; Drawdown Number 1 in the amount of \$31,569.59 has been submitted; this was for the work that Delaware Opportunities did including; LeadBasePaint Risk Assessment, Program Delivery and Administration.

Pio DeRoda reported on the Downsville Park Paddle Trail Development Project: SHIPO and DEC working on our boat launch permit; can't get materials and costs are high; all bids need to be re-worked; NYS was on pause for six months; moving slowly.

Supervisor reported that the closing for the old Eagle Hotel Lot (tax map number 358.2-5-30, located at 15276 State Hwy 30) was held; Town has received a check in the amount of \$92,000.; these funds will go into reserve, may eventually go into the Reserve Account; Supervisor signed the Sitework Agreement; the pool waterline is not moved, we are waiting for Jim Amato's signature on agreement.

Hwy Supt Eck submitted the bids results from the recent Auctions International online auction. Supervisor read results. Hwy Supt Eck recommends accepting the bids with one excluded, Truck #119- 2016 Freightliner; he will need to make a counter offer of \$140,000 and see if the top bidder will accept. Board discussed.

NO. 67-2020 09/02/20 Accept Bids from Auctions International

Upon recommendation of Highway Supt Kenneth Eck, Julie Markert made the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on August 05, 2020, the Town Board of the Town of Colchester adopted Resolution NO.59-2020 authorizing Supervisor, Arthur M. Merrill to advertise the Town's Surplus Inventory with Auctions International for an online auction at auctionsinternational.com; and

WHEREAS, said online auction was held August 18, 2020 to September 01, 2020 and is now closed for bids;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby accepts the following bids from the online auction:

Truck#116- 2012 Dodge Dump Truck	@\$21,900.00	by: Rayco
Truck#117- 2012 Dodge Dump Truck	@\$22,900.00	by: michaelsautoplaaza
Truck#149- 2009 GMC Dump Truck	@\$4,300.00	by: steve3393
Truck#155- 2011 Chevrolet Dump Truck	@\$520.00	by: Jeremyfromer87
(A) 9' Swenson Sander	@\$510.00	by: ultramark137
(B) 9' Swenson Sander	@\$1,375.00	by: ultramark137
(C) 3Yard Swenson Sander	@\$510.00	by: snofiterdayton
BOSS 9' Super Duty Plow	@\$300.00	by: GJCM

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes Auctions International, Inc. to invoice all bidders on behalf of the Town of Colchester.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby rejects the bid of \$85,100.00 from pb2121 for Truck#119 (2016 Freightliner Dump Truck).

Resolution was seconded by Greg Lavorgna, all in favor, resolution declared adopted.

Supervisor Merrill reported that we have received notification that the Senior Citizens have rescheduled one of their trips for today; they are going on a 2 hour boat cruise then a walk downtown in Skaneateles, NY; trip cost was \$1,155; we have given them \$2,000.

Supervisor reported that we have received an application for a Permit for Use of Town of Colchester Public Facility, for a Music in the Park Event. Board discussed.

NO. 68-2020 09/02/20 Public Facility Permit No.06-2020

Greg Lavorgna made the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Janet Champlin on behalf of the Pepacton Park Committee has applied for a Public Facility Permit to use Covered Bridge Park located at 48 Bridge Street for Music in the Park Event on Sunday, September 13th from 1:00PM to 4:00PM;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to issue Public Facility Permit No.06-2020 to the Pepacton Park Committee for the use of Covered Bridge Park located at 48 Bridge Street, Downsville, NY. Resolution was seconded by Mark Mattson, Greg Lavorgna-aye, Mark Mattson-aye, Arthur Merrill-aye, Julie Markert-aye, Janet Champlin-abstain, resolution declared adopted.

Officer Cawley reported that VanBortel Chevrolet has estimated that new police vehicles will be in the low \$40,000.

Highway Supt Kenneth Eck reported that we have received our mining permit for the Hancock Pit and expires in September 2025.

Jeff Francisco of Delaware Engineering reported that the quote for the propane tanks for the DWD Filtration Plant are the right size and the radio procedure in process; need to get electric hooked up and then perform tests to make sure everything is working correctly; he stops by site twice a day; the new filtration system has 6inch filters that will need to be changed and WPO Ron MacDonald will have to be trained to operate the new system. Supervisor Merrill reported that the well water is hard water and is very corrosive and beating up our equipment; we had a major leak at the bank; the line to the hydrant and the hydrant has been shut off; also three other leaks have been found on private property; residents will need to take care of them under the supervision of the Water Plant Operator; the WPO monitors the water every day; he listens with a device for leaks and has had help from Rural Water; our water lines are wearing from the inside out.

SUBMISSION OF BILL/EXPENSES: Greg Lavorgna made the motion, seconded by Janet Champlin, that the vouchers be approved, subject to any corrections or deletions, all in favor, motion carried. Abstract No. 17-2020 Voucher No.451-474; Totaling \$48,743.66.

Supervisor Merrill made the following announcements:

- Next Regular Meeting Wed., Sept. 16th at 7PM - Live and ZOOM.
- September hours for Town Clerk's Office 9am to 12:30pm

Councilwoman Champlin reported that last Thursday, they served 100 senior citizens for dinner at the Firemen's Field. She also reminded everyone of the Drive-Thru Dairy Distribution on Monday, September 14th from 10am to 1pm also at the Firemen's Field.

With no further business, Julie Markert made the motion for adjournment, seconded by Janet Champlin, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Julie B. Townsend, Town Clerk