

Pittsfield Town Board
Meeting Minutes
February 14th 2023

Call to order: 6:30 PM **Pledge:** Shelby

Roll Call:

<u>Shelby Wing- Supervisor</u>	Present	<u>Kelly York- Councilman</u>	Not Present
<u>AJ Digsby - Councilman</u>	Not Present	<u>Jeff Galley - Councilman</u>	Present
<u>Liam Keyes - Councilman</u>	Present		

Others Present: Jerry Madsen, Justin Weidman, Kaylee Weidman, Doris Koop, Charlie Koop

Ambulance Statistics

Fire department- Tim Liddell

Plan for local law to allow 10% tax break for EMS and Firemen?

Per FASNY- Has to be an active member, no honorary members. Has to serve within the district that the tax deduction is being provided. Fireman can either take the \$200 income tax credit or the property tax credit, not both. Chief Lidell advised waiting for list.

Schools can also provide the 10% reduction in school taxes.

Justice - Hon. Gary Carson - Nothing

Prior Judge Bill Curto- Keys were returned, Closing out bank account is pending Hon Donna Yerdon is assisting. \$1361.02 remains in Judge Curto's account,

Grants-Liam Keys

CFA grant for comp plan update, No word on J-Cap Grant –

Resolution #12 of 2023

Remove allocation from budget for comprehensive plan.

Motion Jeff **Second** Liam **Carried:** 3/0/2

Jeff Aye **Liam** Aye **AJ** Absent **Kelly** Absent **Shelby** Aye

2023 community event grant? Possible to historical society? Could possibly get a grant for \$ 2500 towards an event dedication for the historical society.

Comprehensive Plan - Liam Keys – Paul Stein and Tom Golden showed interest in working on the comprehensive plan. We have the previous plan that could be built on. Liam state he would see about getting a committee together.

Historical Society- Review contract

Resolution #13 of 2023

Approval of 2023 contract

Motion Jeff **Second** Liam **Carried:** 3/0/2

Jeff Aye **Liam** Aye **AJ** Absent **Kelly** Absent **Shelby** Aye

It was brought up by Supervisor Wing that we should inquire with the historical society about open hours from May to October 11:00 am to 3:00 PM the 1st Saturday of the month would work for them.

Assessor - Sheri Falcone

Re Evaluation with ENPM Inc. - Jim Emminger will be at March board meeting to talk to the board – a meeting for the community will be set sometime after Greivance Day.

Grievance day this year will be May 30th 4-8pm

Board of assessment review- need members to review any Grievances, we have 2 currently, 3 open positions

Planning Board - Jim Austin

Paperwork for payroll provided, needs to be filled out and given to clerk. – It was mentioned that Paul Stein may be Secretary.

Transfer Station - Jeff Galley

Annual report to be filed at a date to be determined. Clean up day needs to be on a weekday - revisit next month.

Recyclables- monitoring if dumpster we have is sufficient – no news.

County Rep: Jerry Madsen – Attended meeting with Joe Angelino and Norwich School Districts and asked about school offering opportunities for the kids to get involved. Will also check on the charge to the County for additional Recycling containers for the transfer station. Overflow in 1 day will bring in another.

Animal Control - position is vacant

No resignation letter provided by prior DCO as requested.

SPCA contract signed and sent

Had one dog picked up and not claimed in January, community member brought to shelter

Town Clerk/Tax Collector - Terron Muller

Tax Collection update – We have collected enough to pay the warrant for the towns general and highway fund as well as the fire department.

Building-

AED- picked up- needs to be inspected prior to putting into service

Highway - James Wing Superintendent

He submitted the 284 for Camp Road, Pecktown Store Road, redo large culvert on Camp Road.

We have 1 new hire and 1 coming in. – Talk about the town helping the new employees to get their CDL. They offer training through BOCES for around \$ 1400.00

FEMA bids -

Resolution #14 of 2023

Approving bid of \$369,000 from Stevens Excavating LLC for card road replacement.

Motion Jeff Second Liam Carried: 3/0/2

Jeff Aye Liam Aye AJ Absent Kelly Absent Shelby Aye

Resolution #15 of 2023

Approving bid of \$361,000 from R. DeVincentis Construction LLC for Cobb road replacement.

Motion Jeff Second Liam Carried: 3/0/2

Jeff Aye Liam Aye AJ Absent Kelly Absent Shelby Aye

Union negotiation continue- review proposal – negotiate wage, CDL reimburses,

Financial-

Bank Transfers made as reported planned at last month's board meeting.

General Fund Money Market (fund balance holding) \$40,000 to General fund Checking- half of budgeted amount to fund balance allocation

General fund to Transfer Station \$15,000- partial payment of 2023 budgeted amount

Equipment Savings to Highway Checking \$10,002.02 - cover excavator purchase

Highway Money Market (fund balance holding) to Highway Checking \$95,000- coverer excavator purchase

Other Business

Gold Starr certification obtained for NYS retirement- which means that all employees are reported monthly whether or not they are members. All full time employees are mandated (3%) all other employees may elect to join or not.

2023 elections- on the ballot for pittsfield- 2 council positions, supervisor, superintendent, judge, county rep. Petitions for elections available at BOE signatures can start to be obtained 2/28/23

Approval of vouchers for February 2023

General Fund in the amount of: \$ 35,162.80

Highway department in the amount of: \$ 38,755.90

Transfer station in the amount of: \$ 2,631.98

Motion: Jeff Seconded: Liam Carried: 3/0/2

Approval board meeting minutes from December 2022

Motion: Jeff Seconded: Liam Carried: 3/0/2

Approval board meeting minutes from January 2023

Motion: Jeff Seconded: Liam Carried: 3/0/2

Community members concerns and statements Mr. & Mrs. Koop and followed on the meeting with Supervisor and Highway Superintendent.

Board member concerns/ statements

Schedule next meeting: March 14, 2023

Adjourn Meeting: 8:40 PM Motion: Jeff Seconded: Liam Carried: 3/0/2

Minutes of February 14, 2023, Board Meeting were taken and typed by Terron Muller, Town Clerk