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GRAFTON TOWN BOARD MEETING February 10, 2020

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Supervisor Gundrum at which time the Pledge of Allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence for our active Servicemen, Servicewoman and our Veterans

Meeting was opened by Honoring Mary Gentner for 22 years of service to the Town of Grafton as Tax Collector

ROLL CALL: COUNCILMAN STEVE BEAUDRY – Present

COUNCILMAN JEFF WAGAR – Absent

COUNCILMAN FRANK LEWANDUSKY III – Present

COUNCILWOMAN JODI DESCHAINE - Absent

SUPERVISOR INGRID GUNDRUM - Present

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE WERE THE FOLLOWING: Linda Lavaway, Erika Douglas, Connie Alderman, Donna Walker, Pam Vars, Mike Crandall Sr., Frank Sbrega, Dave, Erika and Maggie Eberwein, LeAnne Sweet, Anita Martin, Amanda Mason, Donna Baldwin, Herb Hasbrouck, Amy Durham, Mary & Roger Gentner, Rebecca Greene, James Goyer Sr., Mick Butler, Doug LaRocque, Helen Hemendinger, Madonna Roy, Samantha Crandall and Frank Sweeney

APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES FROM January 27, 2020 Meeting

MOTION MADE BY: Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Beaudry

MOTION CARRIED: 3-0

CORRECTION TO MINUTES FROM January 13, 2020 minutes voucher total changed from \$96,298.30 to \$93,751.30 due to correction to insurance bill

MOTION MADE BY: Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Lewandusky

MOTION CARRIED: 3-0

REPORTS AND REMITTANCES FROM TOWN COMMITTEES:

HIGHWAY: Plowing, cutting brush, equipment repair, and prices on trucks

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE: Got some info about working with Cornell on plan for road work – Plan done by an Intern, Spring weather work & repairs to Recycle center

BUILDINGS/CODE ENFORCEMENT: None

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE: Sheetrock at Town Hall and Sr Center and painting needed at Post Office

RESCUE SQUAD: 10 Calls, 99 miles 35.8-man hours

ASSESSOR REPORT: Attached

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: Available upon request. Motion to accept made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Beaudry **MOTION CARRIED:** 3 - 0

YOUTH REPORT: None

DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT: Closed 1 case – and 1 call dogs running loose on Stuffle Street

SENIOR CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE: None

SUPERVISOR: Available upon request

STATE PARK: None

LIBRARY: Attached

VETERNS: None

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED: None

STREETLIGHT COMMITTEE: Trying to get an update on starting to replace streetlights

OLD BUSINESS: Keys to conference Room

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Concerns about use of conference room, Concerns about Workshop meetings, Water concern on Blue Factory Road, Concerns about garbage on roads

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS: Resolution #41 setting wage and salaries for youth program – Vote postponed until February 24, 2020 meeting

MOTIONS TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED: Vouchers # 38 – 105, totaling \$79,745.12

Motion made By Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Beaudry

MOTION CARRIED: 3-0

MOTION TO ADJURN In Loving Memory of Raymond Beaudry & Joseph Bly

Motion made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Beaudry

MOTION CARRIED: 3-0

RESPECTFULLY SUMMITTED

Victoria & Budich

VICTORIA BURDICK

GRAFTON TOWN CLERK

Town of Grafton

Assessment Office
Box G 2379-2383 NY Route 2
Grafton, NY 12082

Assessor's Monthly Report – January 2020

- 8th 10:00 am 5:30 pm 7.50 Hours Exemption renewal review with taxpayers. Prepare spreadsheets for sales of residential and vacant properties to discuss with Supervisor in response to "trends" received from the State regarding Grafton assessments and 2020 equalization rate status. Met with property owners about exemptions and property inventory.
- 10:50 am 5:05 pm

 Reply to and work on exemption renewals and applications. Prepare assessments for multiple parcel splits and merges. Clean up related data. Reviewing recent sales and running them through my "valuation" models to see how the assessments and sale prices match up. To date the 2020 assessments appear low but this is using a significantly low number of sales. Six months of sales is less than the 3-5 years of sales needed to get a better read on our level-of-assessment. What this does suggest is the market is continuing its upward trend.
- 10:15 am 4:15 pm
 6.00 Hours
 Met with multiple taxpayers submitting exemption paperwork for renewals or applications. Phone calls requesting verification of data on various parcels.
 Discussed two property assessments with owners. Only one was changed, partially due to an appraisal. Received pre-decisional collaboration report for the 2020 equalization rate study. We may well keep the 100% rate for this year but it will be extremely close. An update is likely needed in 2021. The update will likely require anywhere from 2% to 4% to maintain full value.
- 29th 10:10 am 5:10 pm 7.00 Hours
 Met with multiple taxpayers about tax bills, assessments, inventory changes, and name changes. Did multiple field inspections of properties to update or verify demolition and condition changes. Returned phone calls.

David S. Golarneau

2-5-2020

Date

Date:

Thursday, February 6, 2020 12:54 PM

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Subject:

Grafton Library - January Report

Good Afternoon,

Below is a report from the Grafton Community Library for the February 11th Town Board Meeting.

Statistics for January 2020:

Patron Visits - 356

Program Attendance - 49 (Lego clubs, Young Adult Reading Club, Adult Reading Club)

Circulation: Checkouts and Renewals: 562

Other:

Job Announcement for Director was re-posted and closed on 2/3. Five qualified applicants. Interviews will take place over the next two weeks.

Circulation area upgrade still being designed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted, Leanna Sweet, President, Board of Trustees