

**TOWN OF ALMA REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
October 1, 2019**

Members of	the Town Board:	Also Present:	
Supervisor:	Ronald Staedt	Town Clerk:	Michelle Staedt
Deputy Sup:	Karen Linza	Deputy Town Clerk:	Jan Baldwin
Councilperson:	Vincent Bock	Bookkeeper:	Michelle Dunbar
Councilperson:	Robert Warboys	Hwy. Sup't:	Dan Ford
Councilperson:	Beverly Root	Deputy Hwy. Sup't:	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Alma was **called to order at 6:00PM** in the Town Hall by Ronald Staedt.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Vinny Bock to accept the Sept. 3, 2019 minutes, 2nd by Beverly Root.

Ayes: 3, Staedt, Linza, Bock, Warboys, Root **Nays:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Clerk's Report: as presented

Highway Report: as presented. Dan Ford was asked if he to read the highway report.

Justice: as presented

Code Enforcement Report: as presented

Dog Control Report: as presented

Planning Board: none

Marlena Dunham asked about the 911 signs. Ron Staedt stated that the town has the money in the budget for them. Ms. Dunham mentioned new neighbors who got a new 911 sign with their address on it that is completely different that the rest of the towns. Karen Linza said that the board would check on the 911 signs. Beverly Root asked about shared services coming this way to Alma. What is on the agenda that needs done in Alma. Dan Ford stated that there is nothing else that they can do. Vinny Bock asked about what the percentage is of shared services we share out as to what we get back which runs May through late October. Dan Ford stated that there are 7 towns that our highway department helps, and 7 towns that help us. Vinny Bock stated that according to Dan Ford's highway reports that the town is spending 91.5% of the time sharing with other towns. Karen Linza asked if Dan Ford could write down the amount of hours that the guys work for other towns in shared services. Beverly Root asked if Dan Ford could make a record of hours and what machines are used and make an hourly rate of what the cost and Dan Ford said he could.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

2020-2022 Allegany County Snow & Ice Contract – Motion to bring it to the floor by Vinny Bock, 2nd by Karen Linza.

Ayes: ALL Staedt, Linza, Bock, Warboys, Root **Nays:** 0 **Motion Carried**

Vinny Bock read numbers provided by Michelle Dunbar (Bookkeeper) for the snow & ice contract. The contract would give the Town of Alma \$63,420.00. Mr. Bock stated that the compensation per highway employee is between \$68,000 to \$69,000, which includes pay, insurance, vacation and sick pay, according to Michelle Dunbar's calculation. That puts the town in the hole by almost \$7,000.

After some discussion, a motion by Karen Linza, 2nd by Beverly Root, to table the vote for the contract so every one of the board members can read, discuss and understand the contract.

Ayes: All Staedt, Linza, Bock, Warboys, Root **Nays:** 0 **Motion Carried**

Steve Dickerson asked if the highway superintendent has any input on the snow & ice contract. Ron Staedt stated that the County Association of Highways negotiated the contract with the county. Karen Linza stated that the individual town board and highway superintendent should be consulted. Diane Cox also asked about the contract amount versus the pay of an employee.

Discussion of claim #130, reimbursing Paula Clayson for items purchased for the highway dept. shared services. Karen Linza said that she asked Dan Ford last month to submit the original receipts for the items purchased with a voucher. A **motion** was made to not pay voucher #130 to Paula Clayson was made by Vinny Bock and 2nd by Rob Warboys.

Roll-call vote was requested: yes: to pay, no – not to pay.

Beverly Root – yes, Ms. Root stated for this time only.

Vinny Bock – no

Karen Linza - abstaining

Rob Warboys – no

Ron Staedt - no

Ayes: 1, Root **Nays:** 3, Bock, Warboys, Staedt **Abstain:** 1, Linza **MOTION CARRIED**

General Fund: Claim No. 141 - 153 in the amount of \$11,717.27

Highway Fund: Claim No. 124 – 133, in the amount of \$88128.22

Motion to pay the General and Highway bills with the exception of Voucher #130 by Rob Warboys, 2nd by Vinny Bock.

Ayes: All Staedt, Linza, Bock, Warboys, Root **Nays:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Vinny Bock asked Dan Ford if the town is still collecting scrap and getting proceeds from that scrap. Dan Ford stated that the scrap has not been touched since the new policy was put into place. Mr. Ford stated that any scrap from the shop goes into the bin but no scrap has been turned in and no money has been collected.

Schedule the Budget Workshop. Tuesday, October 15th at 6pm. Preliminary budget was given to each board member.

Motion to adjourn at 6:27pm by Rob Warboys, , 2nd by Ron Staedt

Ayes: 5 Staedt, Linza, Bock, Warboys, Root **Nays:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Budget Workshop: Tuesday, October 15th @ 6pm

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for November 12th, 2019. (1st Tuesday is Election Day)

Submitted by Michelle J. StaedtOctober 23, 2019

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