

**TOWN OF WINFIELD  
NOVEMBER 13, 2019  
BUDGET HEARING  
& REGULAR MEETING**

**BUDGET HEARING**

The Budget Hearing was opened at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Osborn. All Board members were present. No public comment was made or questions asked. The hearing was closed at 7 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 2019-11**

On a motion presented by Councilwoman Korosec and seconded by Councilman Peo, the following was approved:

Ayes 4

Korosec, Kwasniewski, Marsh, Peo

Nay 0

The Town Board shall adopt the Preliminary Budget as the Final Budget for the year January 1 through December 31, 2020.

**REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Winfield Town Board was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Charles Osborn. Members present were: Councilwoman Susan Korosec, Councilmen William Kwasniewski, Howard Marsh and Michael Peo. Highway Superintendent D. Paul Jones was in attendance. Guests present were Councilman Elect Jay Kulczak, Codes Officer Ray Donley, Mary Doremus from the West Winfield Star, ZBA Chairman Keith Watkins, Howard Wakefield and Georgie Bleigh.

General Fund claims #213 - #238 and Highway Fund claims #103 - #115 were listed on Abstract of Voucher sheets. A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilman Marsh to accept these Abstracts as presented. The motion was carried unanimously. The Supervisor's and Town Clerk's reports for October 2019 were audited by members present. A motion was made by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilman Kwasniewski to accept these reports as audited. The motion was carried unanimously.

The minutes from the regular Board meeting held October 9, 2019 were read by each member. Two corrections were requested by Councilman Kwasniewski. Corrections were made. A motion was made by Councilman Kwasniewski and seconded by Councilwoman Korosec to accept these minutes as amended. Motion passed.

**Supervisor's Report:**

1. Supervisor Osborn talked to John Hammond concerning the credit that was expected from Cedar Lake Electric for the overhead doors and the lighting fixtures. Mr. Hammond stated that there is a credit of \$100.00 for each door on the final bill but nothing for the lighting fixtures. He is not salvaging the fixtures and will be sending

them for trash. He also stated that there were several problems working JM Door installing the new doors and that affected that credit for the doors.

2. Supervisor Osborn also stated that he and Superintendent Jones had been to Syracuse Tracy Equipment to pick up the repaired truck. They discussed the box part of the truck and the final decision was that the old box would go on the <sup>same</sup> new truck and when a new truck is purchased the new box would go on that one. *old truck*

Highway Superintendent's Report:

1. Kelly Auger resigned effective October 30, 2019. The Superintendent has hired Chris Land to replace him effective November 1, 2019. *Paul*
2. There has been another delay in receiving the new truck. He has been told that it is to be completed minus the box and should be received the first week in December.
- 3 There has been an insurance inspection by Tokyo Marine Insurance. We have been gently put on notice for several issues:
  - a. authorized personnel sign must be placed over all entry doors
  - b a fire extinguisher must be hung out by the fuel pump and no smoking signs must be posted in the building
  - c. all of the flammables must be stored in a flame resistant cabinet
  - d. all playground equipment is out of safety compliance and will need to be removed before the park reopens in the spring

The inspector also asked us to host a training course in the board room for park inspection and fleet driving training with the tentative date being November 18. It should include all highway department employees and the park commissioner.

The department has already started to remedy some of the non compliant issues within the building. The tool/parts/junk room and break room will be switched. He asked if he could sell the excess parts and pieces on Auctions International <sup>was</sup> granted permission by the Board. He also asked if new tools could be purchased with the money that he has brought in from selling items. He was asked to wait on this due to budgetary constraints.

Superintendent Jones also stated that one of the plow truck needs new tires with the cost being approximately \$5,000.00 for 8 tires plus the 2 front ones.

Superintendent Jones also stated that the fuel tank had run out and not knowing that we had a contract he had Buell fuels fill the tank. Ferguson Fuels reminded him that there is a contract and that he should have called them.

Superintendent Jones asked Mary Doremus from the Star to please put a reminder in the Star that residents must not plow across the roads and if they have to they must clean up the road.

**RESOLUTION 2019-12**

On a motion presented by Councilman Marsh and seconded by Councilwoman Korosec the following was approved: Ayes 4 Korosec, Kwasniewski, Marsh, Peo  
Nay 0

The Town of Winfield Board grants permission to the Superintendent of Highways to purchase new tires for the Paystar truck not to exceed \$5000.00.

Codes/Zoning Report:

Mr. Donley reported that he has revised the Building Permit and has had no new applications this month. He also reported that he has given Attorney Quinn new information about the property on Route 51.

ZBA Report:

Mr. Watkins has been asked as to what can be built on Stone Road. He stated that it is a Residential/Agricultural area. He informed the people that contacted him that Mr. Jennison would have to apply for a variance before he can build anything.

Planning Board Report:

Mr. Kulczak reported that the new book is still on hold until the Board approves and/or requests changes. The Board discussed this and stated that any requests should be presented at the January Board meeting so that the book may be finalized.

Old Business:

Councilwoman Korosec reported that all of the light bulbs have been given out to the residents and the paperwork has been submitted to NYSERDA.

The playground requires attention immediately and will have to be corrected before the park opens. Mr. Donley stated that he believes that he still has some information about playground equipment that the Town of Russia had installed in their playground. He also suggested that the Community Foundation may have some funds available for playground equipment.

The next meeting of the Town Board will be held December 11, 2019 at 7 p.m.

There being no further business to be conducted Councilman Kwasniewski moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Marsh. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debrah B. Jones, Clerk