

January 13, 2021
Town of Erin Board Meeting

Supervisor Schmidt called the regular meeting of the Erin Town Board to order on this date at 6:13 PM. She then asked the Clerk to call the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT: William VanRiper, Jr., Randy Evans, Daniel Delorme, Michael Shutts, Dawn Schmidt.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Harold Spencer.

Supervisor Schmidt welcomed everyone and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by R. Evans and seconded by M. Shutts to pay the audited bills as they appear on the General Fund Abstract 13, #216-221 totaling \$1,170.05; and the Highway Fund Abstract 13, #186-202, totaling \$21,506.46; and the General Fund Abstract 1, #1-10, totaling \$4,909.89; and the Highway Fund Abstract 1, #1-7, totaling \$5,259.86; and the Trust & Agency Fund Abstract 1, #1, totaling \$3,625.33. Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

A motion was made by D. Delorme and seconded by M. Shutts to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the regular Board meeting on December 9, 2020 and approve the minutes. Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

COMMUNICATIONS

- The 2021 Training School and Annual Meeting of the Association of Towns will be an all virtual educational and networking event held February 14-17, 2021.
- 247 tax payments have been made so far for the 2021 tax year.

AGENDA FOR THE TOWN OF ERIN BOARD MEETING, JANURARY 13, 2021;

1. RESOLUTION 42-2020 AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS

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Resolution By: M. Shutts
Seconded By: D. Delorme

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Erin hereby authorized the amendment of the town 2020 budget:

Fund		Debit	Credit
A8810.4	Cemetery – Contractual		\$345.00
A599	App. Fund Balance	\$345.00	
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Total		\$345.00	\$345.00

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Attorney- No report.

Planning Board-Deda Cedar- Tried to have a Zoom meeting, but they could not get the password to work. There were only two members present in person so there was no quorum.

Parks, Recreation and Senior Committee-Deda Cedar- The Food Truck is this Friday. Last month's Food Truck served 165 families and had 27 volunteers. People have been inquiring about this year's Wood Fest. There are still too many questions that need to be answered before Wood Fest can take place. Supervisor Schmidt asked if Deda would be willing to distribute the extra masks the Town has to the people that come to the Food Bank. They will be supplied to her by Friday.

Code Enforcement-Brandon (Decker) will be covering for John McCracken while he is out.

Highway Superintendent-Steve Tyler- Plowing and cindering as needed, fixing washouts, grating to fix washouts, repairing trucks. A truck tipped over on Wheaton Hill. The insurance company totaled it. He would like to buy it back with the Board's permission. The insurance will pay \$40,000 minus a \$5,000 deductible. It is \$6,000+ to buy it back. He got an estimate for \$20,814 to repair the truck. He recommends fixing and keeping the truck. It might take a month before it would be fixed. Would like to have the windshield replaced before it goes for repairs so it is not open to the elements. The repairs on the truck that went into a ditch on North Greenbush road were about \$1,200. The sign at the Baldwin Fire Station was \$24,000.

A motion was made by D. Schmidt and seconded by W. VanRiper, Jr. to buy back the truck from the insurance company and send it out for repairs.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

The first heater inside the shop stopped working. Allen's Plumbing and Heating came out to look at it, the heat exchanger is cracked, quoted \$3240 for a new one. The current one was put in in 1989.

A motion was made by D. Delorme and seconded by W. VanRiper, Jr. to repair the heater in the shop.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

Buildings and Grounds-Something needs to be done with the current sign at the Town Hall. Supervisor Schmidt asked everyone to think on it for further discussion.

County Representatives-Mark Margeson and Supervisor Schmidt – Covid numbers are going in the wrong direction. There will be a mass vaccination site at 17 Aviation Drive as well as the Artic League Headquarters at 249 West Clinton Street. Big Flats will be able to do about 800/day and Elmira about 400/day once the vaccines are distributed. It should take 14 weeks to get everyone done. Sales tax for the County is short \$3.5 million, about \$1.8 million off from 2019 and \$3 million off in all of 2020. The county is taking the financial situation slowly in 2021. Large projects/capital projects are all on hold. Tonight is the unveiling announcement of the Executive Order 203 which is the police reform. Supervisor Schmidt encourages everyone to familiarize themselves with that. All municipalities that have a police department participated in that. It will affect the Sherriff Department and things like that. It is due to the State on April 1st. The municipalities do not have to approve it, but they have to accept it. Then it will go to the County. The County can submit theirs for approval to the State without the municipality's approvals. The orange zone is continuing. The Governor can withhold funding against the community/county for places that open up and go against what the he is saying. The State is losing

money from worker's comp tax. The Executive Branch is trying to withhold funds for organizations at the beginning of the year until the end of the year when the funding is available.

Supervisor- Dawn Schmidt- Need two Board members to audit the 2020 Justice report and present it at the February meeting to get to the State by March 1st. D. Delorme, W. VanRiper, Jr. and M. Shutts volunteered to audit the report. The Town Clerk's 2020 Year End Report was received.

A motion was made by D. Schmidt and seconded by R. Evans to accept the Town Clerk's 2020 annual report.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

With no comments from the public Supervisor Schmidt closed this portion of the meeting.

A big thank you was given to Harold Spencer for the hams given to the Board at the last meeting.

A motion was made by D. Delorme and seconded by M. Shutts to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.