

The town board meeting for the Town of Addison was held on Monday, July 19, 2021, 7:00pm at 21 Main Street. The following people were present:

Deputy Supervisor	Jack Thompson	
Councilperson	Alice Weale	
Councilperson	Brandon Conklin	
Councilperson	John Lyons	
Attorney	Craig Patrick - absent	
Town Clerk	Robin Carr	
Assessor	Teresa Lyons	
Hwy Superintendent	Jeff BeGell	
Bookkeeper	Betty Machuga	
	Hope Trappler	Joseph Trappler
	Mike Witter	Laura Souders
	Don Souders	Bob Nichols

Deputy Supervisor Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm asking all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Steuben County Legislator, Bob Nichols, provided the following updates. The County has contracted with a company in Missouri, who will print and mail the Tax Bills, and hopefully save money by mailing Bulk Rate. Discussed ideas the County was considering for use of their ARPA funds: Update the Highway Buildings in Bath and Pulteney, replace building in Curtis, and add a new office for the Caton shop that was recently replaced. Purchase new computers, software updates, and looking to expand broadband coverage throughout the county. Discussed replacing Electric transmission lines, New and bigger transformers in Bath, move Bath's transformers to Curtis. This will allow for the diversion during power outages, resulting in only being without electricity for 20 minutes as opposed to 4 hours. Bridge on CR 115 scheduled to be completed by November.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Deputy Supervisor Thompson requested the last sentence under Comments from the Public be deleted "Supervisor Thompson stated he would look into it" as he didn't recall saying that. Councilperson Conklin inquired about statement under Highway Superintendent Report "Reported that worker was injured" stated he didn't think the driver was injured. Deputy Supervisor instructed it to be changed to "Worker felt discomfort". Motion by Councilperson Conklin, seconded by Councilperson Weale to approve the June 21, 2021 minutes as amended.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Conklin, and Lyons

Nays: None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

a. Assessor – Final Assessment Roll was filed, reported in the Addison Post. Assessor's Office will be closed August 4 – 26, for vacation.

b. Hwy Superintendent BeGell reported that they worked on the water issues on Beeman Hollow Road, numerous sluice pipes lined up, paid back Jasper – shared services. Excavator broke down AGAIN, on Beeman Hollow Road. Was probably electrical issues, really need to replace. Seems to break down every time we use it.

c. Town Clerk, Town Justice, DCO and Bookkeepers reports were read as submitted. Town Clerk noted that there were NO expired dog licenses as of May 2021. Bookkeeper reported the following collections in June: Justice - \$1520.00, Town Clerk – \$731.18, and 2% Fire Tax \$1534.62.

OLD BUSINESS:

ARPA Funding – Deputy Supervisor reported that with the help of Betty Machuga, the bookkeeper, he submitted the request for funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and application confirmation was received from the State on July 9, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Salary. Town Clerk Carr stated he advertised in the Addison Post to fill the vacant position of Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Several applicants inquired but were unwilling to take the position for the current pay rate of \$13.50 per hour. Motion by Councilperson Lyons, seconded by Councilperson Weale to raise the pay rate for the Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector to \$18.00 per hour with the stipulation that we don't exceed the amount in the budget.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Conklin and Lyons

Nays: None

b. Budget Transfers - Deputy Supervisor Thompson recommended the following Budget Transfers to fund additional projects under CHIPS as discussed during the June Board Meeting. Originally budgeted for \$72,000 but recently informed that the Town can receive reimbursement of approximately \$144,800:

\$5000.00	From DB5110.403 (Oil)	to	DB5112.21 (CHIPS)
\$5000.00	From DB5110.404 (Stone)	to	DB5112.21 (CHIPS)
\$4463.10	From DB5110.401 (Diesel)	to	DB5112.21 (CHIPS)
\$3525.63	From DA5132.403 Mach – Repairs	to	DA5132.402 Mach – Supplies
\$ 334.96	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403A 1994 Tractor
\$1122.64	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403B 1993 Loader
\$ 12.66	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403C 2009 Pickup
\$ 730.11	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403D 1997 Excavator
\$2696.76	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403E 2020 Pickup
\$8643.66	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403F 2013 Dump Truck
\$ 853.61	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403G 2016 Dump Truck
\$1664.68	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403H 2000 Grader
\$ 117.93	From DA5132.405 Mach – Maint	to	DA5132.403J Other

Motion by Deputy Supervisor Thompson, seconded by Councilperson Weale, to approve recommended budget transfers as presented.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, and Lyons

Nays: Conklin

Highway Superintendent concerned that the money was being taken from his accounts and he wouldn't have money for operations going forward. Deputy Supervisor assured him the money would be replaced when CHIPS reimbursement funds were received. Additionally, we would have to operate on a pay as you go, and that we would transfer money to pay the bills as long as he didn't exceed the budget. Deputy Supervisor Thompson asked the Highway Superintendent if there were any Capital Projects he wanted to work on, Hwy Superintendent stated he would like to seal Beeman Hollow Road (2 miles) and fix Tobin Road (2.2 miles)

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Legalized Marijuana and Municipal Employment. Received information on a presentation by the Pinsky Law Group that was available if anyone felt they needed to attend. Topics include: Federal and State Laws, Drug Testing, Insurance and disability issues, and numerous Employee issues.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Claim Numbers, General Fund totaling \$3,013.36; Highway Town-wide DA Fund totaling \$24,249.62; Highway DB Fund totaling \$56,992.00; and Trust & Agency totaling \$752.88, for a Grand Total of \$85,007.86. Motion by Councilperson Lyons, seconded by Councilperson Weale, to pay the bills in their usual manner.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Conklin and Lyons

Nays: None

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Motion by Councilperson Weale, seconded by Councilperson Lyons, to approve the Supervisor Report for June 2021 as presented.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Conklin and Lyons

Nays: None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

John Lyons inquired about when the Main Street Bridge Project would start. Was informed that it would be another month. John Lyons also stated he would be on vacation during next months Board Meeting. Hope Trappler asked Jeff BeGell what we can do about the garbage dumped on John Rial Road. Jeff said he was probably going to pay someone to pick it up.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Councilperson Weale, seconded by Councilperson Lyons, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 pm, and the next scheduled meeting is Monday, August 16, 2021, 7pm at the Town Barn.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Conklin and Lyons

Nays: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Carr
Town Clerk

NEXT MEETING:

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING: Monday, August 16, 2021 7pm at the Town Barn