

The regular meeting of the Town Board was held on March 14th, 2019 with the following members present: Daniel Pemrick, Supervisor; Daniel Cochran, MaryAnn Johnson, Rick Capasso and Kevin Veitch, Councilpersons. Also present were Superintendent of Highways, Walter Barss; Deputy Superintendent of Highways Duane Wright; Mark Schachner, Town Counsel and 7 residents.

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Pemrick with a Pledge to the Flag. On a motion by Capasso, C. and Seconded by Veitch, C. the February 14th minutes were approved as submitted by all members present.

CORRESPONDENCE

Town Clerk states Wilton EMS submitted to their 2018 Annual Report and Financial Report.

Town of Wilton ZBA submitted a Public Hearing notice for property at 492-500 Maple Ave., bordering the Town of Greenfield.

ETHICS POLICY- Supervisor Pemrick states that the Board members have a copy of the Ethics Policy. The Town Board has reviewed the State Code. Town Counsel , Mark Schachner, has given us sample codes and codes were provided by the Supervisor from surrounding Towns and Counties. Capasso, C. states after review he feels this is quite adequate for our Town. Supervisor Pemrick asks Town Counsel if he has suggestions or errors. Mark Schachner states there are some grammatical and typo errors. He questions that the policy applies to Town Officers, employees or consultants. Having the consultants is unusual, hard to enforce, according to General Municipal Law. He would not recommend that. It is not clear as written whether the Board wanted the State Law requirement that one member of the three person Ethics Board be a Town Officer employee. It wasn't clear whether you did or did not want that. Johnson, C. states we want that. Counsel Schachner will make suggested revisions and make that clear.

RESOLUTION # 55-2019 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1-2019

ADOPT REVISED ETHICS POLICY

Motion: Johnson, C.

Seconded: Cochran, C.

RESOLVED, That the Town Board hereby schedules a Public Hearing for April 11th, 2019 at 7PM at the Town Hall replacing Local Law 4-1998 with proposed Local Law # 1-2019, Adoption of Ethics Policy for the Town of Greenfield.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

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DRIVERS ED CLASS- The Greenfield Seniors would like to use the Community Center on May 2nd from 8AM to 4:30PM for a Driver's Education Class open to the public.

RESOLUTION # 55-2019- APPROVE COMMUNITY CENTER USE FOR DRIVERS EDUCATION CLASS

Motion: Capasso, C.

Seconded: Johnson, C.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves use of the Greenfield Community Center to the Greenfield Seniors for a Driver's Ed Class to be held Thursday, May 2nd, 2019 from 8AM to 4:30PM.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

DISCUSSION FARMERS MARKET PAVILION- Ron Deutsch, Board member of the Town of Greenfield Historical Society states the Historical Society has been running the Farmers Market for at least 10 years. They would like a permanent structure for the Farmer's Market and are proposing a 30 x 40 pavilion. The Town could use it whenever they wanted to. He presents plans to the Board. Members of the Town have been to the site to look at what work needs to be done. They have cost estimates. Supervisor Pemrick asks for a breakdown of costs. At first it was a kit around \$20,000. Dan Chertok, Board member from the Historical Society, explains they came up with a cost estimate at the high end, around \$70,000. We can save \$10,000 to \$15,000 from donated services, probably not less than \$60,000. The structure is \$30,000, metal roofing around \$10,000 plus site work, cement slab, electrical work, engineers stamp on the plans. Mr. Deutsch continues tongue & groove siding, rough cut for the siding and he could provide those costs. Cochran, C. asks how large the building will be and cost per square foot. Dan Chertok states 36 X 30 on the plans, Rick DeForest figures approx. \$75.00 square foot. Capasso, C. asks who actually is doing the construction. Rick DeForest states he would be doing the Post and Beam. It would resemble a 200 year old barn, old pegs, all exposed beams, tongue & groove ceiling, metal roof. Contractors would do the roof and decking, John Munter volunteered to do the concrete. Dan Chertok explains that it would be historic looking and be closer to the road than the other pavilion. Veitch, C. asks other than Fridays it would be available for the public. Dan Chertok answers not for the summer but the rest the year. Supervisor Pemrick clarifies that this would be a Town building. Dan Chertok states the Town would build it for the Historical Society and would dedicate it. Johnson, C. states she totally supports the Historical Society however, she questions her support of the building. Last fall it was a small building to keep some of the market under cover and she was fine with that. This is a long way from what was discussed. Middle Grove Park is our best developed park. There is a pavilion there, bathrooms, tennis and basketball courts, walking trails, playground. She is not in favor of a big second major pavilion there. We need to concentrate on other areas of Town not just Middle Grove. This is a lot of money that would need to go out to bid. You don't know who would win the bid. This is by law. Speaking for herself, she feels the Town would not build a second pavilion at that park if it wasn't for the Historical Society requesting this, building it technically for the Historical Society. That is a lot of money to put into a park that is developed. We need to work on the other parks. The Farmers Market is a nice community event, we have a Town Wide garage sale that has been a community event since 1986. What if one of those private organizations asks to build something for them on a Town piece of property and we say we can't. Dan Chertok says it would be in the Park and people could use it all year. The pavilion would make MG Park extra nice and maybe we need to add to the other parks. Johnson, C. says yes we do and the

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\$60,000 or \$70,000 would go a long way to raising the standard of those parks. Mr. Chertok's feeling is the Farmers Market is a draw to the Town, solid vendors and regular customers. Johnson, C. does not disagree and has supported the Historical Society, but she does not feel this is the best money for the Town. Capasso, C. asks if this would be paid from UDAG money. Supervisor Pemrick says yes. Johnson, C. states that we would need to insure and maintain it and another concern at Middle Grove Park is the vandalism. Axes have been taken to the bathrooms, busted toilets, we chained the picnic tables because they were stacked and set on fire. There will be a beautiful building that in three days will have initials carved in the posts. Ron Deutsch feels the vandalism is because the existing pavilion is away from the road, this will be closer to the road so there will be less of that. Cochran, C. agrees with MaryAnn. It is a nice concept and there has been a lot of effort into this. He feels that other parks need attention. Ron Deutsch asks if it is a cost concern and if they scale down the project, would they reconsider. Capasso, C. says under \$60,000 they would not have to send out to bid. Town Counsel Mark Schachner and Johnson, C. advise that it is under \$20,000. Town Counsel explains that is a State Law. Veitch, C. states he likes the building but is it the right place for it. He would like to see security lighting in that park at night. Supervisor Pemrick states the Town has installed playground equipment last summer through the Rec Dept. Supervisor Pemrick tables the discussion and suggests the Historical Society representatives meet and discuss the concerns that have been raised. He would be happy to attend. Ron Deutsch asks what would be an affordable price. Supervisor Pemrick states the original price was a \$20,000 package and having community people would do the building. Dan Chertok states this building would have skilled labor and not just people helping out. Supervisor Pemrick feels we can work through this.

RESOLUTION # 56-2019- ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF LAURA SANDA FROM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Motion: Capasso, C.

Seconded: Cochran, C.

RESOLVED, That the Town Board hereby accepts the resignation of Laura Sanda from the Zoning Board of Appeals effective March 14th, 2019.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

RESOLUTION # 57-2019 APPOINT NEIL TOUSSAINT FROM ALTERANTE TO ZONING BOARD MEMBER

Motion: Cochran, C.

Seconded: Johnson, C.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby appoints Neil Toussaint to fill the unexpired term of Laura Sanda, term expiring 2/20/2024.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

RESOLUTION # 58-2019 APPOINT KENNETH TAUB ALTERNATE TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Motion: Veitch, C.

Seconded: Johnson, C.

RESOLVED, That the Town Board hereby appoints Kenneth Taub alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals, replacing Neil Toussaint, term expiring 2/26/2021.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

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DISCUSSION WITT ROAD BOND- Katie Gehl , Land Development Coordinator for Witt Construction is present. She is requesting that the Town take possession of Old Stone Ridge Road and Lower Meadow Lane. Supervisor Pemrick asks if she is aware of the requirements Mr. Witt needs to fulfill before the Town takes over the roads. She has a copy of a road agreement that she believes was completed. They were asked to provide an “as built” survey of the roads which they provided, but is not sure if there is missing information. She provides the Town Clerk with receipts. Superintendent of Highways Walter Barss, states he has not seen the ‘As built” survey. Mark Schachner, Town Counsel states you need deeds for the roads to convey them to the Town, the Town Board can accept and authorize and accept subject to receiving the appropriate deeds. Highway Superintendent Barss states everything on the road is acceptable. He is waiting for “as built” drawings, deeds, any easements, roads. Walt Barss states he is not sure if the retention basins are the Town’s or the Communities. Johnson, C. would like to see all the deeds drawn up between the two attorneys. Mr. Barss needs information on who maintains the retention ponds, we need to look back at that agreement to see who is in charge of that. Katie Gehl states she needs to have the deeds for the next meeting. Supervisor Pemrick adds also information specifying retentions ponds ownership and care. Counsel Schachner states the places to find this is the Planning Board subdivision approval and the HOA by-laws.

RESOLUTION # 59-2019- ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF STANLEY WEEKS FROM PLANNING BOARD AND APPOINT ROBERT ROECKLE VICE-CHAIRMAN

Motion: Cochran, C.
Seconded: Veitch, C.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the resignation of Stanley weeks from the Planning Board effective immediately, and appoints Robert Roeckle Vice-Chairman of Planning Board.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch
Noes: None

Supervisor Pemrick states that the Town Board will discuss the Alternate position at the next meeting.

COUNTY RECOGNITION OF DECEASED VETERAN- Supervisor Pemrick states Saratoga County on a monthly basis honors a deceased Veteran. Towns throughout the County take turns on a monthly basis. It is the Town of Greenfield’s turn and we have the opportunity to honor an Army Veteran, Robert E. Barss. On Tuesday March 19th, 2019 Saratoga County will have a ceremony at 2:30 PM to honor Mr. Robert E. Barss. The public is invited to attend. It is the intention of this Town Board to honor and recognize Mr. Robert E. Barss as Greenfield’s Deceased Veteran of the Month for Saratoga County.

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RESOLUTION OF HONOR

Submitted by: MaryAnn Johnson

Seconded by: Dan Cochran

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town of Greenfield, which throughout its history, has sent many of its residents to serve in the armed forces of the United States, to honor those of its citizens who have served their country, and

WHEREAS, **Robert E. Barss**, a citizen of Greenfield Center entered into service with the United States Army January 16, 1943 where he was assigned to the 225th AAA Searchlight Battalion (“Skylighters”) as a Radio Operator, and

WHEREAS, **Robert E. Barss** served in the defense of Normandy downing enemy planes by blinding them with lights, saving countless civilian lives and

WHEREAS, **Robert E. Barss** was discharged on December 16, 1945 at the rank of T-5. **Robert E. Barss** was awarded the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and the WWII Victory Medal.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Greenfield recognizes, remembers, and honors the unselfish service of **Robert E. Barss**, and directs that this resolution of honor be spread upon the official record of this meeting, and the citizens of the Town of Greenfield, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be presented to his family at the Special Recognition Ceremony at the County Offices on March 19th, 2019.

Dated: March 14th, 2019

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board at their March 14th, 2019 meeting.

Louise Okoniewski, Town Clerk

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Monthly reports were submitted by the Town Clerk, Highway Dept., Dog Control, Parks, Town Justices, and report from the Building Dept. from Robert Gizzi.

RESOLUTION # 60-2019-GENERAL BILLS

Motion: Capasso, C.

Seconded: Cochran, C.

RESOLVED, that the General Bills from #132A-202A in the amount of \$37,694.49 be paid.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

RESOLUTION # 61-2019-HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion: Veitch, C.

Seconded: Johnson, C.

RESOLVED, That the Highway bills from # 45DA – 64DA in the amount of \$262,252.40 be paid.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

RESOLUTION # 62-2019-PARKS BILLS

Motion: Capasso, C.

Seconded: Veitch, C.

RESOLVED, that the Parks Bills from # 23CR-46CR in the amount of \$10,876.26 be paid.

VOTE: Ayes: Pemrick, Cochran, Johnson, Capasso, Veitch

Noes: None

On a motion from Cochran ,C. and seconded by Veitch, C. the meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM.

Town Clerk

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