

Town Of Hamilton

Monthly Board Meeting

March 4th, 2021, 7:00pm

Present: Mayor Goodrich, Commissioners: Kerry Spivey, Linda Goodrich, Patricia Moring, and Judith Stewart

Absent: William Freeman.

Meeting called to order and welcomed by Mayor Goodrich.

Prayer by Commissioner Judith Stewart

Pledge to the Flag: By all.

Minutes :

Motion to approve minutes from February 4th, 2021 made by Commissioner Goodrich ,
Seconded by Commissioner Spivey . Unanimous Decision, motion carried. 4-0..

Old Business:

Energy Kits were revisited, board suggested switching to first come first serve, as well as asking those who come to pay a bill if they'd like a kit at their time of arrival. Motion to rescind previous decision and allow them to be distributed first come first serve made by Commissioner Goodrich, Seconded by Commissioner Spivey. Motion carried. 3-1 vote.

In regards to the dilapidated properties letter, new revisions of the letters were proposed by Commissioner Moring and Commissioner Stewart after consolidation of their previous letter. Motion to approve the 3 proposed letters made by Commissioner Spivey, Seconded by Commissioner Goodrich. Motion carried. 4-0 vote.

Discussion on homes that have previously been condemned in Hamilton commenced with specific attention to making sure that any that are still inhabited are having the proper action taken to move forward. The decision of the board to contact the town lawyer about the situation and allow the guidance of the lawyer to guide us in our future proceedings with this matter.

In revisiting the previously approved pick-up ordinance, it was discussed about construction and demolition and those in town not being able to afford to dispose of it within their own means. Concerns about the frequency, and efficiency of the pickups was brought up by residents and commissioners. Maintenance Supervisor Maskell, went into detail on dump regulations and why certain items are not permitted while other items are permitted to be picked up during the currently scheduled pick up days.

Commissioner Moring brought up concern on the one call automated system voice, with clarity concerns during the voicemails that were being left. Looking into alternate voice options was discussed for the automated system, and suggestion of using land lines for any physically recorded messages were suggested.

Commissioner Spivey discussed the Metering issue, and the suggestion for a presentation from the metering company. If this idea and proposal were at all obtainable, this would decrease any human error, increase efficiency in billing, meter reading and overall usage. Discussion was had between town residents and the commissioners on the cost of the current sewer price, and that a lot of the cost goes back into the Sewage Treatment Plant located outside of Town that filters and cleans our water, and that we do this to stay within State regulations and guidelines. It was suggested by Commissioner Moring, that if all the meters are to be replaced we need to look into the possibility and cost of replacing all water lines.

Utility Procedure Ordinance previously proposed to the Board of Commissioners was discussed, Motion to approve, made by Commissioner Goodrich, Seconded by Commissioner Spivey. Motion carried. 4-0 vote .

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New Business:

.Proposal for a Box blade for the Maintenance Department was made by Maintenance Supervisor Maskell. Motion to allow the purchase of the box blade in the amount of \$1,074.69 was made by Commissioner Spivey, Seconded by Commissioner Goodrich. Motion Carried. 4-0 Vote.

Information regarding inflow and the struggles the waste water treatment plant, and maintenance staff have had was discussed by Commissioner Spivey. Requested permission to pursue the faults in the sewer collection system.

Motion to retroactively approve the purchase of the hose for the jetter machine, made by commissioner Spivey, Seconded by Commissioner Goodrich. Motion Carried. 4-0 vote. Purchase was only made after previously polling the board to confirm agreement on purchase before proceeding.

Review of Monthly Financial Reports:

Motion to approve February 2021 financials made by Commissioner Stewart , Seconded by Commissioner Moring . Unanimous decision, motion carried. 4-0.

Town Comment:

Town resident Ms. Greene, inquired about getting a copy of the minutes from the last year.

Town Resident Ms. Whidbee, inquired about possible volunteer opportunities in the town, interested in spending her time volunteering for the town and contributing however she can. Resident Ms. Greene suggested possibly volunteering and the leave a book take a book location for the children in town.

Town Resident Ms. Randolph inquired about the meeting of the new hire for the maintenance employee position. Maintenance Supervisor stated that he would make sure that happened at the next monthly board meeting.

Mayors Report:

- No report or comment at this time.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Spivey- No Comment made at this time .

Commissioner Goodrich- No Comment made at this time .

Commissioner Moring- No Comment made at this time.

Commissioner Stewart: - Stated that the gymnasium has been cleaned out, suggestion was made to give the XL Twin mattress pads to the local high school seniors to assist in their trips to college. Any remaining items are to be distributed. Also noted that masks can be obtained from the post office, post master was given the masks to distribute.

Commissioner Freeman- No Comment made at this time.

Motion to adjourn Monthly Board Meeting made by Commissioner Stewart, Second by Commissioner Goodrich. Unanimous decision, Motion carried. 4-0 vote

Meeting adjourned.

Mayor

Town Clerk