

The April 2015 regular meeting of the Plainfield Town Board was held Thursday April 9 at 700pm in the Town Hall

#### Members Present

Supervisor-Todd Lewis

Deputy Supervisor-James Roberts

Board Member-Michael Laukaitis

Board Member-Wendell Rogers

Board Member-Connie Peeters

Assessor-John Davidson

Highway Superintendent-Kendrick Wilcox

Deputy Superintendent-Johanna Wilcox

Town Clerk-Jon Cockett

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Supervisor Lewis opened the meeting at 700pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Lewis thanked the public for attending and asked if they had any questions or concerns.

Question 1. Who is going to replace Dennis Lockwood due to his retirement?

Town Reply: A decision has not been made yet, due to Union requirements, and questions the Town has that can only be answered by an attorney.

Superintendent Reply: I am in a bind as to what work I can perform to fill in as the remaining highway employee is calling the shots by citing Union rules and regulations.

Member of Public Reply and re-affirmed by Town Board: You are the boss and you determine who does what. If the employee resists, advise him to proceed with the grievance process as outlined in the contract.

#### **ASSESSOR REPORT**

John advises he is tying everything together so he may file the tentative roll by April 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Board asked if an ag exemption is being allowed without proper documentation, does the taxpayer have to pay back the amount exempted?

John was unclear and will check for an answer.

## **HIGHWAY REPORT**

Kendrick advises he was informed on March 31,2015 that Dennis Lockwood has retired from the Highway Dept. effective March 31,2015.

The motor on the red F550 is shot. Skinner and Damulis will advise if the motor can be rebuilt or replaced. It is under warranty.

Sweeping will start next week.

No word received from Ken Roberts on Saunders Gulf Road yellow flag issue.

The Board advises Kendrick to attend an April 30 meeting to decide where and how much to expend on road repair. An agreement between the Board and Kendrick will need to be signed before any money is spent to repair any Town road.

From the Board: Kendrick was given change of personnel form to complete and send to County Civil Service due to Lockwood retirement, also an e-mail stating to create account, user name and password for State bridge inspections.

## **SUPERVISOR REPORT**

No reports as all bank statements have not been received to complete report.

## **TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Jon Cockett presented the March report which showed receipts for DEC and Dog license sales. Connie Peeters motioned to accept and Mike Laukaitis seconded.

The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

## **GENERAL ABSTRACT #4 VOUCHERS 51-65**

Town Clerk Jon Cockett presented for payment the General Abstract #4 in the amount of \$4311.72. James Roberts motioned to pay the abstract and a second was made by Mike Laukaitis. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

## **HIGHWAY ABSTRACT #4 VOUCHERS 32-52**

Town Clerk Jon Cockett presented for payment the Highway Abstract #4 in the amount of \$10,697.92. Connie Peeters motioned to pay the abstract and a second was made by Mike Laukaitis. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

## **MARCH MINUTES**

The March 2015 regular meeting minutes were accepted as read on a motion by Connie Peeters and a second by Mike Laukaitis. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A fuel metering system should be installed on the diesel fuel tank that will keep track of fuel usage for Highway equipment. Wendell Rogers motioned the Town Clerk place an ad in the STAR to advertise via sealed bids for the installation of the system. Seconded by James Roberts. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

Town Clerk Jon Cockett advises that for transparency reasons the Town website has been updated to include salaries, wages of Town employees as well as the current Union contract and expenses paid to operate the Town.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No bids were received for the repair of Town Hall and garage roof. Jim Roberts will contact 2 contractors he is familiar with for an estimate.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Todd Lewis motioned to enter into Executive session at 830pm to discuss Union negotiations. Second by James Roberts. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Jim Roberts motioned to adjourn the meeting at 915pm. Second by Mike Laukaitis. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Laukaitis-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

Submitted  
Jon Cockett  
Town Clerk