

The regular meeting of the Plainfield Town Board was held Thursday September 11, 2014 at 7:54pm in the Town Hall.

A public hearing was held prior to the start of the regular meeting.

Board Members Present

Supervisor-Todd Lewis

Deputy Supervisor-James Roberts

Board Member-Wendell Rogers

Board Member-Connie Peeters

Others

Assessor-John Davidson

Town Clerk-Jon Cockett

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Absent

Board Member-Michael Laukaitis

Highway Superintendent-C.Kendrick Wilcox

Supervisor Lewis began the public hearing with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Public input was given on a proposed local law to abolish the elective office of Highway Superintendent and replace it with an appointed Superintendent.

Copies of the proposed law as well as a sample ballot were available to all as the proposed law is subject to mandatory referendum.

Comments of the public:

- * Who started this process and why do it again
- * Is the Town trying to run the Highway Department?
- * Why is the Town taking our right to vote away?
- * What advantages come with an appointed position?
- * Can we create a highway committee?
- * Two letters were read from residents

The public hearing was closed at 7:53pm.

The regular meeting began at 7:54pm.

Supervisor Lewis opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for comments from the public.

Comments received:

- * A resident was concerned of someone homesteading within the Town. Their concerns have not been answered by the County
- * No one from the Highway Dept. came to address a ditching issue
- * Speeding is becoming a problem on County Hwy 18A.
- * Nothing is being done to maintain Mill Creek Rd. It is becoming hazardous to travel
- * A letter was read to gain support from the Town to send TV station WFXV a letter requesting the station to maintain a broadcast tower which will provide Channel 33 to area residents. The letter advised the broadcast tower is scheduled for shutdown

Town response:

- * Supervisor Lewis will call County codes to address homesteading issue
- * The Highway Super will be advised
- * The Town Clerk will contact Sheriff to increase patrols in the area.
- * Highway Superintendent will be advised
- * No action taken

ASSESSOR REPORT

John Davidson continues to check properties for accuracy on property card. He is in the office as well on Wednesday mornings.

HIGHWAY REPORT-Given by Jon Cockett

Frost Rd work is done. Perkins Rd. is now being worked on.

The FEMA study should be completed next week.

There is \$9791.00 available to the Town for reimbursement from a NY State administered program called "pothole fund".

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Todd Lewis presented the Supervisor report for the month of August. The report showed profit/loss, balances on Town accounts, expenditures.

Connie Peeters motioned to accept and a second by Wendell Rogers. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Jon Cockett presented the Town Clerk report for August. The report contained receipts from dog licenses and DEC licenses, and the Town share from all receipts. Jim Roberts motioned to accept and was seconded by Connie Peeters. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

AUGUST MINUTES

Connie Peeters motioned to accept minutes as presented and was seconded by Wendell Rogers. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

GENERAL ABSTRACT #9 \$3195.22 for vouchers 135-146

Jim Roberts motioned to pay the abstract and was seconded by Connie Peeters. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

HIGHWAY ABSTRACT #9 \$36,574.40 for vouchers 106-112

Connie Peeters motioned to pay the abstract and was seconded by Jim Roberts. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Local Law to abolish elective Highway Superintendent and replace with an elective one was motioned to adopt by Jim Roberts and seconded by Connie Peeters. The Board voted with Lewis-nay, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-nay. The motion was not adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm on a motion by Jim Roberts and a second by Connie Peeters. The Board voted with Lewis-aye, Roberts-aye, Rogers-aye, Peeters-aye. Carried