

Town of Independence
Regular Meeting
June 11, 2020

The Independence Town Board met in the Town Hall on June 11, 2020 at 7pm for the regular monthly meeting.

Present: Supervisor Reichman; Council: Howe, Meunier, Acomb, Ellison; Town Clerk, Bledsoe; Highway Superintendent, Graves; Police Officer, Sherman

Absent: 0

Visitors: Town Attorney, Dave Pullen with Student Intern

Supervisor Reichman called the meeting to order and everyone stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Council Acomb, seconded by Council Ellison and carried by all to accept the May 14, 2020 minutes.

Superintendent Graves gave the Highway report. They have been busy Sealing Heselton; working dirt roads; servicing equipment and repairs; graveled Forsythe, Schoolhouse bad spots, Frost Rd and part of Kenyon Rd.; mowing; and changed sluice pipes on Walters Rd.

Graves and Board reviewed Grader bids. A motion was made by Council Meunier, seconded by Council Acomb and carried by all to purchase the leased John Deere Grader from Bradco with \$10,000 trade in offer on old Grader. To use \$70,000 from Highway Equipment Fund with remaining balance from Highway Savings.

Fuel Report:

	Used	Purchased	Ball field	Water	Fire Dept.	IES	Police Dept.	Measure
Diesel:	651.0	326.7	0	0	26.2	20	0	2'5"
Gas:	80.7	0	0	4.8	16.0	0	0	2'3"

Town Attorney, Dave Pullen spoke about the OYA Solar Project and answered Board questions.

Phone conference with Terry Rasmussen (OYA Solar Power, LLC), Pullen, and Board. Board and Attorney asked many questions concerning "East" and "North" paperwork, screening, timelines, etc. A public meeting has been set for July 23, 2020 at 6pm.

Motion to accept **Resolution #8-2020 - Accept Two Permit Applications for Solar Power Projects from OYA Solar Power, LLC** made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Meunier with all voting "yes."

Board and Attorney Pullen spoke regarding the purchase of property next to the little league field. Pullen advised against due to new problems with owners paperwork. Board to begin moving forward with prepping grounds for playground equipment.

Officer Sherman spoke with the Board regarding old ATV law and would like it updated. Board discussed and asked questions. Supervisor Reichman to pass along to Attorney Richard Buck (per Dave Pullen) to look over as he has done more work with ATV laws.

Clerk read Teresa Lyons assessment update. All BAR paperwork is completed and mailed. Will be picking up Final Assessment roll from Belmont later in the month.

Clerk Reported that there will be a free Rabies Clinic on August 8 at the Town of Willing. Drive thru clinic with Dr. Lopez, pre-registration required.

Clerk and Financial reports were reviewed by board.

Bills were reviewed with a motion made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Meunier and carried by all to pay abstracts #6-2020 in the following amounts:

General:	Voucher: 83-97	\$3,352.89
Highway:	77-98	\$ 52,720.51
Water:	41-46	\$ 826.45

A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Reichman, seconded by Council Acomb and carried by all at 9:10pm.

Jasmine Bledsoe, Town Clerk

