

Town Board Minutes  
August 10, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Torrey Town Board was held on August 10, 2021 at 56 Geneva Street, Dresden, New York, and called to order by Supervisor Flynn at 7:30PM.

Present: Supervisor Patrick Flynn Councilmen: Peter Martini, Lawrence Martin, Grant Downs

Excused: Colby Petersen

Others present: Patricia Brede- Assessor, Legislator District II- Richard Harper, Gary McIntee, George Thompson, James Smith, Tim Chambers, Robert Miller.

Mr. Flynn led the pledge of Allegiance.

Assessor Patricia Brede appeared before the board for an update on future plans. There will be a shortage of assessors due to retirements and lack of interested replacements. County did a study on a Countywide Assessor and found it would not be financially cost effective. Mrs. Brede is planning to retire in 2023, she would like to hire and begin training a clerk now. There has not been a clerk for Torrey/Benton in over 10 years. There are many facets of responsibility in the Assessors job. It is budgeting time so she is making the Town aware of this request be considered in the budget for assessor. Mrs. Brede is presenting this report to Benton at their meeting tomorrow night.

**July minutes:** Motion by Mr. Martin 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Downs approving the July minutes with noted corrections carried .

**Abstract of vouchers** - Mr. Flynn presented the abstracts.

**Motion** by Mr. Martini, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Downs that the bills on the General A & B Funds in the amount of \$ 21,484.53 be paid, carried.

**Motion** by Mr. Downs, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Martin, that the bills on the Highway DA & DB Funds in the amount of \$ 29,037.23 be paid, carried.

Mr. Flynn presented an Auditor Contract from Mengel Metzger Barr & Co CP Accountants for Water District 1.

Motion by Mr. Martini 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Downs authorizing Supervisor to sign contract with M M B & Co Accounting Firm for WD # 1, carried.

Discussion on the need for Water Use Law in compliance for Water Districts in the Town. Will convene the Water Committee to complete this task.

Discussion on required Justice Finance Audit for 2020. Mr. Martini and Mr. Petersen have been asked to complete the Office of Court Administration OCA required audit and report findings at September meeting.

Reappointments- Dave Granzin to Planning board for term to 2026, and Audrey Riesenberger to Board of Assessment Review for term to 2026, George Dowse to Zoning Board of Appeal for term to 2026 carried.

Motion by Mr. Flynn 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Martini to appoint Deanne Lamborn to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill an unexpired term to 2024, carried.

Mr. Martini, Mr. Petersen and Mr. Chambers have been appointed to Highway Committee for Equipment Capital Outlay.

Mr. Chambers reported Highway is still working on public beach project. The handrails are almost ready for installation. Tentative completion date is in September.

Discussion on highway pipe relocation on Oliver Rd, per the owners' requests and YCSW advisement.

Oil & Stoned Hopeton, shimmed Hewett, placed extension culverts on driveways. Helped Dresden with storm cleanup.

Mr. Downs stated he had request by Ken Campbell for west side ditches on Arrowhead to be cleaned. Mr. Chambers has not scheduled ditching yet.

Code report submitted. Mr. James wrote the need for safety lighting in building after the power outage at last month's meeting. It was the consensus of the board to authorize code Officer to look into new emergency lighting fixtures for the building.

Water District 1- all paperwork has been submitted and waiting for final approval by USDA Rural Development. Upon approval, Water District 1 will go out for bid on construction.

No water supply contract has been received from the Village yet. Mr. Flynn will contact the Mayor.

Richard Harper Torrey District gave report on the County Legislators meeting. Hazardous Waster Day is August 28<sup>th</sup> collecting at the County Highway Garage.

County Legislative Clerk retiring and opening for Deputy Treasurer.

Discussion on solar project for landfill on Long Point Rd. This project still in consideration.

Presently working on Reconnect Grant of 13 Million - 10 Million grant, 3 million County match to extend broadband throughout the county.

There being no further business before the board Mr. Flynn made a motion to adjourn 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Martini carried at 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Daggett