

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
of the
Town Board of the Town of Fabius held at the Town Hall on
Monday, February 24, 2020**

Present:

Mrs. Melanie Vilardi – Supervisor	Mr. Warren Virgil – Highway Supervisor
Mr. James Conway – Councilmember	Mrs. Peggy Riker – Town Clerk
Mr. Peter Schlicht – Councilmember	Mr. Thomas Chartrand – Bookkeeper
Mrs. Deborah Foster - Councilmember	Mr. Paul Brown – Councilmember
Mr. Michael Decker – Zoning/Codes Officer (<i>Absent</i>)	Mr. Robert DeMore – Attorney for Town
Ms. Sandy Beglinger – Historical Society	
<i>Others: Mr. Josh Virgil and Mr. Ronald Wheatley</i>	

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Vilardi at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Virgil and Mr. Wheatley attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of the Town applying for a municipal CON (Certificate of Need) with regard to Smith Ambulance. The concern is what would happen should Smith Ambulance go out of business with no known succession plan. The Town would have no coverage for the east side of town. The west side is currently being covered by the Town of Tully. Mr. Wheatley spoke with Dave Butler of TLC and they are not willing to cover Fabius. There was some discussion about the possibility of Fayetteville or Manlius covering the east side calls.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

FINANCIAL REPORT: * Mr. Chartrand reviewed December's monthly report. There are two budget transfers: one for \$101,000 from Surplus to Machinery, and one for \$2,000 from Surplus to General Repairs (road). Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Brown, to make budget transfers. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

*The January report shows \$400,000 received from the Tax Collector, making the town whole on taxes. We also received \$35,000 from the sale of the old truck. The bulk of the General Fund Abstract, \$300,000+, was due to S.O.T.S.

*Year end is finalized and all reports given to the Town Clerk to file. Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Brown, to have the Town Clerk do a legal notice that the annual reports are on file in her office. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

HIGHWAY REPORT : * Mr. Virgil received two checks from the Fire District for fuel reimbursement; one for \$50.70 and another for \$29.80.

* Earth Day is April 24th and 25th. Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to authorize the Highway Superintendent to notify the County that we will participate. Drop off will be at the Highway Garage.

* Municipal Safety Training has historically been held in local towns, but this year it will be given at the Fairgrounds, costing about \$10 per person. Sexual Harassment will be included but Workplace Violence will not. Mr. Virgil will set up the training for the Town and Fabius Christian Church.

ZONING REPORT: No report.

HISTORIAN: Mr. Schlicht was researching a family named Goodrich for Mr. DeMore. According to Mr. Basil Conway, they lived in a large older house not far from Gooseville Corners, heading south.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cemetery: Mr. John Meyers oversees the cemetery. They need about \$12,000 currently for the upkeep, primarily for mowing. Mr. DeMore spoke with a state representative who suggested individual towns should think about supporting their local cemeteries. Otherwise, the state would take over and the town would still have to take care of the mowing, etc. Mr. Chartrand said there is currently \$15,000 in the Contingent budget line. Mrs. Vilardi suggested donating to the cemetery in increments, perhaps in two installments, instead of all at once. She further suggested making a first payment of \$6,000 after the March Board meeting.

Justice Court: Mrs. Johnson submitted the January comptroller's report for the Board's signature. She has received the requested \$505.00 JCAP grant. It will not cover bullet-proof windows as they do not underwrite those yet.

Community Center: Mrs. Johnson asked what can be done about shoveling the walks.

Shredding and Disposal Day: It will be held on Saturday, May 9th from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. We will not be hiring the shredding company, which costs a minimum of \$600 for four hours and was split between the Town of Pompey and Fabius. Pompey has shown no interest, so we will use the shredding containers left to us by Confidata to collect the shredding papers and when they are full, Confidata will come and take it for \$63.00 per container.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to pay the bills on Abstract #1 in the following amounts:

Highway Fund	Vouchers 1 through 12
	\$ 22,746.36
General Fund	Vouchers 1 through 35
	\$ 309,427.29

Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on ***Monday, March 16, 2020*** at the Fabius Area Community Center, Fabius, New York at 7:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:46 PM made by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Riker
Town Clerk