

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
of the
Town Board of the Town of Fabius held at the Town Hall on**

Monday, April 24, 2017

Topics Discussed: *Surplus items; Culvert repair; Trooper Husky Rescue; Retirement benefits; NYS Retirement plan improvement (sick days); Cemeteries.*

Present:

Mrs. M. Vilardi – Supervisor

Mr. W. Virgil – Highway Supervisor

Mr. J. Conway – Councilmember

Mr. P. Schlicht – Councilmember

Mrs. D. Foster - Councilmember

Mr. E. Hanson – Councilmember

Mrs. P. Riker – Town Clerk

Mr. T. Chartrand – Bookkeeper

Mr. M. Decker – Zoning/Codes Officer (*Absent*)

Mr. R. DeMore – Attorney for Town (*Absent*)

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Vilardi at 7:00 P.M. Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mrs. Foster, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5 Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Hanson.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Mr. Chartrand said the first installment of the ice & snow removal money has been received.
- We need to declare an Epson copier/scanner, fax, 2 old Dell laptops, a 1999 John Deere lawn mower and a file cabinet surplus. Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mrs. Foster, to declare this list of inventory surplus. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5 Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Hanson.

ZONING REPORT: No report.

HIGHWAY:

- The Bardeen Road culvert/bridge is in need of repair due to recent storms causing it to deteriorate rapidly. It will cost about \$56,272 on a state contract for repairing just the piping. He thought maybe some CHiPS money could be used for this purpose. It may cost another \$25,000-\$30,000 to complete the repairs.
- He received a fuel reimbursement check from the school district for \$328.72.

HISTORIAN: No report.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trooper Husky Rescue: James from the Trooper Husky Rescue in Oneida, Madison County, brought one of his rescues to the meeting and explained how their business works. They try to place all their dogs, but unfortunately need to put down any that are too aggressive or if their medical issues are too expensive. They are interested in expanding into this area and opening up another Husky Rescue. They currently have 11 dogs in Oneida. Mrs. Vilardi explained our only requirement for a kennel-type business is that they have 5 or more acres.

Retirement Benefit: NYS Retirement System contacted the Town regarding a section of law (§41-j) which allows eligible members of the Town of Fabius to receive additional service credit for their unused, unpaid sick leave at the time of retirement. To be able to provide this benefit to the Town's eligible employees, there would be a cost to the Town of \$435 per year.

RESOLUTION #2017-2
(Service Credit for Unused Sick Leave)

Upon a motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes – 5 Conway, Foster, Hanson, Schlicht, Vilardi
 Nays - 0

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Fabius adopts §41-j of the Retirement and Social Security Law allowing eligible members to receive additional service credit for their unused, unpaid sick leave at the time of retirement.

NYSLRS: The NYS and Local Retirement System is requiring the appointment of a Contact Administrator and Security Administrator to submit and maintain online information for eligible employees of the Town of Fabius. Motion by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to appoint the Supervisor as the Security Administrator and the Town Clerk as the Contact Administrator for the NYSLRS. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5 Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Hanson.

Cemeteries: Stockholm Cemetery on Schlicht Road has a flagpole so near the trees that it is being ruined. Mr. Virgil will move the pole away from the trees to minimize any future damage. Mrs. Vilardi and Mrs. Foster met with a resident at the Sky High Road Cemetery to assess ongoing maintenance. There are only about 12 lots there, some of which are very old, and a total of 9 cemeteries in the Town.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to pay the bills on Abstract #3 in the following amounts:

Highway Fund	Vouchers 15 through 24
	\$ 16,265.96
General Fund	Vouchers 79 through 106
	\$ 10,065.35

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

The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on ***Monday, May 15, 2017*** at the Fabius Area Community Center, Fabius, New York at 7:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:23 PM made by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5 Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Hanson.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret M. Riker
Town Clerk