

# **Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting and Public Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Fabius held at the Town Hall on**

Monday, May 20, 2019

## 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	(Absent) Mr. Robert DeMore – Attorney for Town
Ms. Sandy Beglinger – Historical Society	

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

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, Brown.

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Mr. Chartrand received half of the S.O.T.S. refund; the second half should be received sometime next year.
- He recently attended the Financial School program. The agenda included fraud detection, town audits and the fiscal responsibilities of the Town Board. He left some literature with Mrs. Riker.
- Mrs. Rosemarie Bush is processing a few applications for the summer swim program.

## ZONING REPORT:

No report.

## HIGHWAY REPORT :

- Mr. Virgil received a check from the School District for \$545.89 for fuel reimbursement.
- The P.E.S.H. inspector came to the garage – good report.
- Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to accept the 284 agreement to spend highway funds. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.
- Mr. Virgil will be accepting bids for a heating system using the \$25,000 grant the Town received.
- He met with Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation representative concerning Downing and Clark Hollow Roads. He also met with Mr. Warner from Barton & Loguidice. It will cost \$3,500 per site just to review each one. We currently have \$3,000 in that budget and will need to transfer \$7,000 from Contingent to Engineering. Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mr. Conway, to authorize the transfer of funds as described above. Another motion was made by Mrs. Foster, seconded by

Mr. Brown, to authorize the Town to enter into engineering services with Barton & Loguidice. Both motions PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

- Auctions International offered \$10,000 for the old truck. The original purchaser is willing to buy it for \$12,000. Motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Conway, to counter Auctions International's offer with \$14,700. If that is not accepted by them, Mr. Virgil is authorized to accept the original purchaser's offer of \$12,000. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

**HISTORIAN:** He attended the recent Seniors' trip to the zoo and Hotel Syracuse.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** The June program will encourage residents to bring something old they cherish and tell us about it. On Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Beglinger attended the 2019 Region 9 Historians' meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

***DeRuyter Dam:*** There will be a meeting at the High School auditorium on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

***Canal Corp.:*** There will be a meeting at Embassy Suites at Destiny Mall on June 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Draw down scheduled for Labor Day.

### **PUBLIC HEARING open at 7:14 PM**

Motion by Mr. Schlicht, seconded by Mrs. Foster, to open the Public Hearing at 7:14 PM. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

***Local Law #1:*** Allows Inspector to live in Onondaga County or an adjoining County.

***Local Law #2:*** Opt-out of the exemption for solar, wind & farm waste energy systems.

***Local Law #3:*** Reduces the number of Board of Assessment Review members to 3 from 5. It has been difficult to recruit members. The State allows the Board to be between 3 and 5 members.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Conway, to close the Public Hearing at 7:16 PM. Another motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve Local Law #1, Local Law #2 and Local Law #3. Both motions PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

***Community Grant Application:*** The work on Markham Hollow Road's culvert and paving will involve the railroad. The Town qualifies south of Route 80 for the grant. We asked for \$67,000. We would be responsible for an additional \$12,000.

RESOLUTION #2019-1  
(Community Development Grant)

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

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Fabius hereby approves the application for a Community Development grant of \$67,000 for work on the culverts and paving on Markham Hollow Road.

**State Grant:** We finally received the \$125,000 grant through Al Stirpe for the Highway Garage expansion. We now need an architect to render a simple drawing so we can put it out for bid. Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Brown, to authorize Mrs. Vilardi and Mr. Virgil to contact the architect. Motion PASSED – Ayes – 5, Nays – 0. Voting aye – Vilardi, Conway, Schlicht, Foster, Brown.

**Public Comments:** Mr. Don Neugebauer requested an opt-out of the trash pick-up on his seasonal camp. There are no opt-outs on seasonal camps. Also, he sent the Town of Fabius a check for \$50.00 anticipating an opt-out and it was cashed by Citizens Bank. None of the four towns involved in the trash district do business with Citizens Bank. It seems it was stolen and Mr. Neugebauer will need to follow-up with authorities to pursue.

Motion by Mrs. Foster, seconded by Mr. Schlicht, to pay the bills on Abstract #4 in the following amounts:

Highway Fund		Vouchers 50 through 67
	\$ 23,713.75	
General Fund		Vouchers 94 through 116
	\$ 19,746.53	

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

The next regular Town Board meeting and Public Hearing will be held on **Monday, June 17, 2019** at the Fabius Area Community Center, Fabius, New York at 7:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn at 7:30 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