

JUNE 8, 2016

A regular meeting of the Madrid Town Board was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Town Office.

Members present: Tony Cooper, Garry Wells, David Fisher, Kevin Finnegan, Tim Thisse, Bill Barkley – Highway Supt and Judy Hargrave – Town Clerk.

Also present: Jeff Gilson, Aaron Jarvis, Katelyn Ashley, Brooke Nichols, Anna Campbell, Betty Rookey and Kevin Acres.

Public Comment: Aaron Jarvis gave the board a preliminary opinion of cost for replacing the water tower. He estimated \$812,500.00 to demolish the old tower and construct a new tower. Aaron stated that financing is currently available through EFC and USDA. USDA would pay 75% towards the preliminary engineering report, up to \$30,000.00 if the board moves forward.

Anna Campbell gave the board an update on the Madrid Dam Summer Music Series which will start June 29th and run for 11 weeks on Wednesday evening at the Park starting at 6 pm – 8 pm.

Betty Rookey was checking on the progress of securing the garage at the John Robla property, which is next to her property. Jeff has talked to John about this matter and he will send him a letter to remedy the problem.

Kevin Acres reported that the County has a vacancy policy in place and they are putting \$1.6 million into the general fund balance from the “no tobacco” program.

Tony reported that the Planning Board is working on the updates for the Code Book.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by David Fisher to acknowledge receipt of the monthly report. All were in favor.

The board reviewed the monthly bills. Tim Thisse made a motion, second by David Fisher to pay the monthly bills. General #139-175 for \$10,096.96, Highway #98-117 for \$25,670.75, Water #34-41 for \$788.77, Sewer #39-44 for \$1,821.15, Light #6 for \$1,355.95 and Trust & Agency #11 for \$7,944.86. All were in favor.

Communications: An additional \$230.63 was received from the County for sales tax for the 2nd quarter.

The April Justice income was \$1,274.00.

The Town will save approximately \$7,000 by switching to the NYS Teamsters health insurance.

The Local Government Conference will be October 11th @ SUNY Potsdam.

Bill Barkley: Bill is going to put a bid in on an air compressor for \$1200.00 which the board gave approval for.

David Fisher made a motion, second by Garry Wells to allow the highway crew to build shed at the sewer plant at an approximate cost of \$3,000 plus the cost of concrete. All were in favor.

Bill stated that there is a one year warranty on the lowboy frame work.

Old Business: There is no update on the CDBG project.

Tim Thisse stated that he only received one application for a teacher for the summer reading program.

New Business: The Chief of the Fire Department asked if it was possible to get a key so they can get fuel on the weekends or in the evenings. The board does not want to give out a key.

The board discussed reimbursing Judy Hargrave for health insurance money that was taken out of her payroll check from February – May for 2 person coverage when it should have been single coverage. Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Garry Wells to reimburse Judy \$395.86. All were in favor, but Kevin Finnegan thinks the Comptroller's Office should be contacted first regarding this matter.

The next meeting will be July 13th at 6:30 pm. Tony will not be at the meeting.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by David Fisher to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2016 town board meeting. All were in favor.

Tony will contact Bernier Carr regarding the fee for a preliminary option of cost for the replacement of the water tower.

Kevin Finnegan made a motion, second by Tim Thisse to go ahead with the preliminary report for replacing the water tower. All were in favor.

Tim Thisse made a motion, second by Kevin Finnegan to adjourn at 8:20 pm. All were in favor.

Judy Hargrave, Town Clerk