

**Town of Alexandria Regular Scheduled Board Meeting  
October 17, 2018, 6:00pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Supervisor Sweet called the meeting to order.**

**The following were available at roll call:**

Supervisor Brent Sweet, Councilman Ron Thomson, Councilman Mike Fayette, Councilman John Stine, Councilman Jim VanCour, Highway Supt. Mike Tibbles, Attorney Bob Slye.

**Approval of September 2019 Board meeting minutes: Motion** made by Councilman Jim VanCour, Seconded by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 5 ayes, **motion passed.**

**Public Comment:**

Stacey Duran regarding proposed rink project.

Gayle/Randy Truesdell regarding their greenhouse water meter.

Susan Stine regarding rink project.

Kelley Downey regarding change in her sewer bill.

Mrs Stamps regarding buildable and non-buildable lots in Redwood toward Redwood Sewer Committee.

**Public Comment closed.**

**Discussion:** Town Health Insurance lawsuit. 4 former board members sued the town claiming entitlement to health insurance. Case was successfully defended, case is over. The town counterclaimed asking to recoup the premiums the Town paid or not. Supervisor Sweet stated he doesn't want to pursue further litigation. Supervisor Sweet made a **motion** to pursue no further litigation or reimbursement.

**Further Discussion:** Councilman Ron Thomson stated all five people involved should have their name on record. Supervisor Sweet changed the wording of the **motion** "not to pursue litigation or reimbursement with the amendment that Stanley Parker, Sampie Sutton, Ellen Peck, Alcid Beaudin and Doug Williams be on record. **Seconded** by Councilman Jim Vancour. All in favor 5 ayes, **motion passed.**

**Motion** by Councilman Ron Thomson the Board is not interested in the Henderson Property in Redwood due to possible asbestos. **Seconded** by Councilman Mike Fayette. Discussion, none. All in favor 5 ayes, **motion passed.**

**Information on State Comptrollers Examination:** Audit of Redwood Sewer will begin the end of October. Entrance meeting being held next week. The Town does not pay for the audit, courtesy of NYS.

**Motion** to approve the lease agreement and contract with the Chamber of Commerce for the year 2018-2019 made by Councilman Jim VanCour. **Seconded** by Councilman John Stine. Discussion none. Councilman Ron Thomson, abstained. All in favor 4 ayes, **motion passed.**

**Discussion:** Outside firm Crowley & Halloran to conduct a target audit on Redwood Sewer (per the request of Dan Peterson's engagement letter). Audit will start in November. The difference between this audit and State Comptrollers the comptrollers are auditing the EDU's. The neutral firm will cost \$5,000-7,000. Cost will be billed to the Redwood Sewer District.

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**Discussion:** Sick time. Supervisor Sweet would like to amend the Personnel to pay non-union employees accumulated sick time. **Tabled** for further discussion.

**Discussion:** Dog Control-Jefferson County was given a 6-mo. Extension. City of Want. Needs to decide on the contract. County will keep Town updated once decision made.

**Discussion:** New line items in 2019 Budget, Community Enhancement & Village Enhancement are the items the Town set aside \$\$ for projects. ie: Paving at transfer site. The Village Enhancements will be similar as how a grant is applied for.

**Discussion:** Motorola truck radio purchase. Update given by HWY Supv. Mike Tibbles. Cost to Town \$13,000.00. He stated men are blacktopping or paving at all hours, safety comes first. Supervisor Sweet stated the money is in the budget and is moving forward on this.

**Discussion:** Rt 12 Sewer Expansion Update given by Rob Company. Engineering report revised and will be submitted to USDA when done. Councilman Mike Fayette asked when will project break ground? Company speculated 2019-2020.

**Discussion:** Advertise for fuel bids. MEO Dean Smith asked board to put in the bid Non-ethanol quotes along with the others. Supervisor Brent Sweet made a motion to advertise bids and to be received by November 21, 2019 at 5pm.

**Discussion:** Redwood Sewer Committee Councilman Mike Fayette gave names of the committee members; Linda Hartman, Rick Lopez, Gene Kring, Dee Brown, Jack Giardono. Several grievances received.

**Motion** to approve 17 EDU decisions with 2 tabled until further review by Councilman Ron Thomson. **Seconded** by Councilman Jim VanCour. Councilman John Stine and Supervisor Brent Sweet abstained because they are part of the group of customers involved. Discussion, Attorney Slye suggested if the board wants to change boundary lines they can but everything has a process. The ordinance can be changed as needed by the town. All in favor, 3 ayes. **Motion passed.**

**Rink report given** by Councilman Jim VanCour. **Motion** by Councilman Jim VanCour to hire John Slate to work at the rink part time as a laborer for \$12.50/hour. **Seconded** by Councilman Ron Thomson. Discussion, none. All in favor 5 ayes. **Motion passed.**

**Youth Program report given** by Stacey Durand.

**Highway Report given** by HWY Supt. Mike Tibbles. Getting ready for winter months. Eye wash station at bard, would like one at rink as well, cost \$250.00. Doors for rink ordered, Zamboni needs to be picked up. Supt. Tibbles asked for a credit card for gas & food for travel. Rink truck being worked on, would like to keep it as an extra. Asked board to consider giving Trevor Bogart \$\$ for vacation time he's unable to use by Dec. 31, 2019, also consider getting rink employees insulated boots.

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**Motion** by Councilman Mike Fayette to change November Board meeting from November 21 to November 14, 2019. Seconded by Councilman Jim VanCour. Discussion, none. All in favor 5 ayes, **motion passed.**

**Water operator report:** given by Jamie Papin

**Sewer operator report:** given by Jay Gascon

**Discussion:** Councilman Mike Fayette about putting a meter in front of Rock Ledge where Rt 12 water begins. Board discussed.

**Motion** by Councilman Ron Thomson for demolition of garage on Gionet Property. Seconded by Councilman Mike Fayette. Discussion, Rob Company stated property asbestos free. Once garage is demolished, DEC will clean site. All in favor 5 ayes, **motion passed.**

**Motion** by Councilman Jim VanCour for Historical Society to use a cubicle at the Town office for the winter. Seconded by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 4 ayes, Councilman Ron Thomson abstained. **Motion passed.**

**Sewer grievance:** Email from Redwood resident Dan Peterson.

**NYS DOT snow & ice contract 2018-2019;** the Town is not contracting with them this year.

**Public hearing for water rate change:** Village water rates changing in 90 days. The Town will have to publicly let the town aware of changes. Attorney Slye will look into a Public Hearing if needed.

**Discussion** on Village rates and formulas on how to break down costs.

New Village water rates for five (5) town Districts:

Redwood increase= .60 cents/1000gal

Otter St/Big M increase=.26cents/1000gal

Rt 12 increase=\$1.45 increase/1000gal

Carnegie Bay decrease=.11cents/1000 gal

Edgewood decrease=\$1.01/1000gal

**LWRP update:** Resolution passed, documents being prepared for 90-day review.

**Swan Bay:** Apply for DEC approval on opening of the water way.

**Discussion:** Councilman Ron Thomson thanks Allen Taylor for helping to find the Zamboni for the Town.

**Motion** to go into Executive Session by Councilman Mike Fayette, Seconded by Councilman John Stine. Discussion, none. All in favor 5 ayes. **Motion Passed.**

**Meeting adjourned.**

Minutes taken by Town Clerk Jessy Hudon

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Minutes "shortened" by Deputy Clerk Cheri L. VanBrocklin

