TOWN OF PORTLAND BOARD MEETING
PORTLAND TOWN HALL
APRIL 10, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Daniel Schrantz  Supervisor
Jerry Boltz        Council
Patti Farrell     Council
Rick Manzella     Council

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Gary Miller        Council

OTHERS PRESENT:
Ken Becker         Highway Superintendent
Mark Odell         County Legislator
Clarence Grover    Dog Control
Two representatives from EWT Direct Drive Wind Turbines
Approximately 3 residents

Supervisor Schrantz opened the board meeting at 7:05 p.m. with the pledge to the flag.

MINUTES
30-19
On a motion of Council Manzella, seconded by Council Farrell the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 4 Schrantz, Boltz, Farrell, Manzella
    Nays 0
    Absent 1 Miller
RESOLVED The Portland Town Board approves the Minutes from the March 13, 2019 board meetings.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS
31-19
On a motion of Council Manzella, seconded by Council Boltz the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 4 Schrantz, Boltz, Farrell, Manzella
    Nays 0
    Absent 1 Miller
RESOLVED the Portland Town Board approves the Departmental Reports as presented:
Monthly reports received and filed:
  • Assessor
  • Code Enforcement
  • Town Clerk
  • Town Justice
  • Dog Control
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TREASURY REPORT
32-19
On a motion of Council Farrell, seconded by Council Boltz the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 4 Schrantz, Boltz, Farrell, Manzella
   Nays 0
   Absent 1 Miller
RESOLVED the Portland Town Board approves the Treasury Report for March 2019 as presented by the Supervisor.

CORRESPONDENCE:
Supervisor Schrantz read the following:
• Brad Anderson Recognition Committee-asking the Town to take over the financial account and
to become the Town’s responsibly for the costs of publicity and maintenance of the statue.
   Current members of the committee asked to remain on as an advisory board to the Town in
matters dealing with the statue’s site and publicity.

33-19
On a motion of Council Boltz, seconded by Council Farrell the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 4 Schrantz, Boltz, Farrell, Manzella
   Nays 0
   Absent 1 Miller
RESOLVED the Town of Portland Board accepts the funds from the Brad Anderson Recognition
Committee in the amount of $4,146.17. The Town of Portland will be responsible for the maintenance
and publicity of the Statue.
Supervisor Schrantz thanked the committee for all their hard work.
• Member Certificate from the Association of Town’s.
• CHRIC-Classic Golf Tournament-July 27th.

EWT AMERICANS INS. WIND TURBINES:
Eric Holton and Mario Rice of EWT Americans Wind Turbines gave the board an update on the projects
overview. EWT first addressed the board regarding this project in the spring of 2018. Mr. Holton told
the board they have made progress on the turbine project but wanted to check in and explain what EWT
wants to do, goals, where the project stands now and hear any questions or concerns the board may
have. There are three project sites, site 1 has three turbines which have been approved by National
Grid. Site 2 has two turbine s and site 3 (TBD) possible 2 to 4 turbines. The turbines are 326 ft. tall with a
rotor diameter of 200 ft. It was stated this is for the community. The energy is generated here for the
community. Residents will be able to sign up if you are a National Grid customer and save on monthly
bills. It was stated this is a way to save, support clean energy and support local development. Mr.
Holton and Rice had some questions they wanted to review with the board before moving forward. EWT target goal is to start the permit process within the next two to three months. Mr. Rice and Holton reviewed some of the questions they had regarding Wind Overlay Zones, Site plan, landscaping, Equipment delivery, etc. Supervisor Schrantz asked if EWT had any wind turbines in the area that the board could visit. There are no EWT turbines in New York State, Mr. Rice and Holton will get Mr. Schrantz contact information. Supervisor Schrantz and the board decided to meet and review this with the Planning Board.

OLD BUSINESS

VILLAGE/TOWN REPRESENTATIVES:
Council Farrell will be attending the Village of Brocton meeting on April 17th.

TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE:
Supervisor Schrantz told the board the floor has been surveyed; the engineer is putting the plans together to bid out the project.

CHADWICK BAY:
Next meeting is scheduled for March 11th at the Fireside.

NORTH COUNTY WATER:
Next meeting is scheduled for March 11th at the Fireside. Work in Sheridan will be starting.

WATER DISTRICT 2 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:
Supervisor Schrantz told the board he would like to hold a public meeting at VBP to review the plans with the residents and to get their input. He stated this project will not be bid out until spring of next year. USDA, where the funding is coming from is very behind in their schedule.

WATER DISTRICT 8:
Supervisor Schrantz told the board bids for the project were delayed by two weeks, the scheduled date to open the bids is now April 22nd, 2:00 at the Town Hall. The engineers felt it would be better to extend the date since only two bids were received.

CODE OFFICE:
Council Boltz and Miller will meet with Code Officer Signe Rominger to review what is needed in the office.
STREET LIGHTING:
Supervisor Schrantz stated the town is moving forward in changing out all the street lighting to LED. National Grid will be changing two street lights, one on Woodcrest and the other on Patterson Lane. One light will be 25 watts and the other will be 48 watts. The board can then see the brightness and decided what wattage is needed. The town has 103 lights to change out.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:
Supervisor Schrantz said he will be scheduling a meeting with the park manager of Lake Erie State Park, one of the goals in the comprehensive plan is to open the line of communication up between the park and town. The Comprehensive Plan committee has made recommendations to the Junk Car local law, Supervisor Schrantz told the board he will make copies for their review. The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 22nd, 7:00 at the Town Hall.

AUDITS:
Council Manzella told the board the Tax Collector and Supervisor’s audit needs to be done.

NEW BUSINESS

MOWING BIDS:
No mowing bids where received, the board decided to extend the bidding until May 1st. Bids will be excepted at the Town Hall until 11:00 on May 1st and opened at 1:00 on May 1st at the Town Hall.

Supervisor Schrantz scheduled a meeting to follow with the planning board and representatives of EWT to review the Wind Turbine project.

APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF ASSESSMENT AND REVIEW:
Clerk Sobecki told the board the September appointment was overlooked and needed to be done.

34-19
On a motion of Council Boltz, seconded by Council Farrell the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 4 Schrantz, Boltz, Farrell, Manzella
Nays 0
Absent 1 Miller

RESOLVED the Portland Town board re-appoints Matthew Thies to the board of Assessment and Review current to September 30, 2023.

FUEL DEPOT:
A meeting will be scheduled, the current contract needs to be updated and CBI water needs to be added. The computer system at the depot needs to be updated.
DOG CONTROL:
Dog Control Officer Clarence Grover told the board he is writing tickets for the Village under Ag. and Mkts law. A dog enumeration will begin this summer. Supervisor Schrantz stated the Village of Brocton needs to have a new lease law in place for the dog control officer to enforce.

HIGHWAY:
Highway Superintendent Becker told the board the new truck is in Rochester and should be receiving it within the next few weeks. Chautauqua Road is now open, the loggers will be buying stone to fix the road. The guardrail is out on the corner of Highland and Ellicott road, may replace the bridge.

BILLS
35-19
On a motion of Council Boltz, seconded by Council Farrell the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 4 Schrantz, Boltz, Farrell, Manzella
Nays 0
Absent 1 Miller
RESOLVED the Portland Town Board approves the bills for April 2019.
GENERAL FUND $43,117.73
TOWN OUTSIDE VILLAGE $291.80
HIGHWAY TOWNWIDE $884.90
HIGHWAY OUTSIDE VILLAGE $3,073.60
LIGHT $565.28

With no further business, on a motion of Council Manzella, seconded by Council Farrell the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Roxane Sobecki-Town Clerk