

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Kevin G. Johnson, Councilperson Robert Muesebeck, Councilperson Patricia Hayles, Councilperson Mary Rich and Councilperson Lori Skoog. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Town Attorney Jim Bell and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting. Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham was excused.

Visitors present were Joan Hamlin, Christine Hamlin, Susan Smith, Wayne Zyra, Kevin M. Johnson, Adam Rich, Julie and Frank Lapinski, and Michael Bove from Monroe Ambulance.

Supervisor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag and remain standing for a moment of silence for those in the military and for the loss of 7 year old Abraham Cardenas.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Resident Frank Lapinski commented on the resolution pertaining to changing the hour of the work sessions and meetings. He felt there was no merit to the idea of changing the hours except to meet the schedule of one board member. He added that the Deputy Supervisor could step in and run the meetings. Mr. Lapinski was disappointed that more residents did not attend this meeting to express their concerns with the 5:00 pm time change.

Michael Bove from Monroe Ambulance informed the board that Monroe Ambulance has been conducting wellness education and blood pressure clinics for the past 1 ½ years at locations in the Town of Sweden - SCCC, Royal Gardens, Lodge on the Canal, Park Avenue Apartments. They see approximately 40 – 60 individuals each week. The program has reduced the number of unnecessary hospital visits and has saved thousands of dollars in hospital costs. They were approached to partner with the Rochester Regional Geriatric Group. They plan to publish a paper nationally detailing the success of the program and the study conducted. Mr. Bove added that the Town of Sweden has contributed to their success by allowing access to residents.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Superintendent of Highways, Brian Ingraham – recommendation – appoint HEO Kenneth Bell (see Resolution No. 58)

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Councilperson Hayles commented that she was very proud of Recreation Supervisor Jill Wisnowski and how she handled the recent loss of 7 year old Abraham Cardenas. She was very professional and has encouraged her staff to take time and seek counseling in dealing with this tragedy. Mrs. Hayles announced several Spring programs as well as several SSAI sponsored programs, including the garage sale and Mother's Day lunch. The Give-a-Lift program is up and running and she has seen it advertised in area church bulletins. Mrs. Hayles reported that letters have been sent to the Bison Baseball parents letting them know that concessions will be up and running for the baseball season. The counter system is in and Mrs. Hayles is looking forward to seeing the data. Councilperson Rich asked if any concessions were made available for the basketball tournament that was held at the SCCC. Mrs. Hayles will check on this.

Councilperson Muesebeck reported that the restroom construction at the Town Park is moving along – finishing block work and roof trusses, weather permitting. He also mentioned that Jeanne Arieno re-certified with Monroe County Health Department and is getting ready to

open the concession stand at the Town Park. Mr. Muesebeck requested the purchase of a storage rack for the round tables at the Lodge for \$150.

Councilperson Muesebeck indicated that Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham was excused from the meeting. Mr. Muesebeck shared Mr. Ingraham's report with the board. They are working on snow equipment restoration, removing snow fence and downed trees. The Highway Department, along with 17 student volunteers, cleaned up downed tree limbs and brush at Lakeview Cemetery filling 7 dump trucks.

Councilperson Skoog spoke with Court Clerk Tracy Caporale and stated no needs or concerns for the court. Mrs. Skoog would like to attend a court session and shared the court calendar with the public present. She mentioned the upgrades to the courtroom that Supervisor Johnson is looking into and thought they would be helpful to the court as well as the Town Board. Mrs. Skoog also spoke with Dog Control Officer Kathy Beaumont and reported that as part of a new regulation, the dog control truck needs a crate bolted in the back of the truck for transporting dogs. The free rabies clinic is scheduled for Saturday, May 5th from 9am to noon and all are welcome to take advantage of the clinic – no resident requirements. Mrs. Skoog informed the board that she was contacted by someone from the Bison's baseball team and they would like to meet with the Town Board. She forwarded some concerns to the Town Board and to Buildings and Grounds. Mrs. Skoog attended a SSAI meeting at the SCCC and mentioned that the quilters gave the surviving Cardenas child a quilt and will be giving one to the grandmother as well.

Councilperson Rich reported that she attended a Sweden Democratic Committee where Sweden Community Foundation representatives Jack Milner and Mike Myers spoke about the goals and objectives of the foundation. Mrs. Rich appreciated the information shared and added that she would like to discuss the field fees charged to the Challenger Baseball group at an upcoming work session. Mrs. Rich attended the retirement event for long-time library employee Christine Daily – celebrated 28 years of service. Mrs. Rich presented the rough draft of the performance appraisal to the other board members to review.

Mrs. Rich received a letter from ProBrockport indicating that the proposed community forum is on hold for now. She contacted the Association of Towns and informed Supervisor Johnson that it would not have been illegal for the Town Board to participate. Supervisor Johnson clarified that it was not a question of if it was illegal, he just felt it was not appropriate for the Town Board to participate. Mrs. Rich also asked the Association of Towns and the Committee on Open Government to clarify conflicts of interest, particularly who reviews and makes decisions pertaining to conflicts of officials for the Town. The Committee on Open Government offered the opinion that it is the entire board's decision to review conflicts of interest.

Supervisor Johnson was contacted by residents on the south side of Fourth Section Road asking if sewer could now be brought to the area. Mr. Johnson stated that it was studied several years ago and at that time, not affordable due to multiple bores under the road. Stonebriar development (recently approved sewer district extension) requires one bore under Fourth Section Road. Mr. Johnson feels this is a good time to revisit the possibility of a south side sewer district. He would like to get the Town Engineer to provide an estimate of the cost. Councilperson Skoog asked if the annual fee for the current district would be lower for the residents if the south side formed. Supervisor Johnson indicated that the south side would be a separate district with their own debt service. Discussion. Councilperson Skoog asked if a letter could be sent to the residents that would be included in the proposed district to see if there was interest. Supervisor Johnson said that it would be helpful to the resident to know and understand the costs involved. The board agreed to move forward with obtaining cost estimates for a south side district.

Supervisor Johnson met with Lucas Vandervort, who was representing COVA (Central Orleans Volunteer Ambulance) and Brockport Ambulance, to discuss Brockport Ambulance’s plan to partner with COVA and resume service to the Village of Brockport. Mr. Johnson also met with an AV contractor to go over the upgrades to the system in the courtroom.

Councilperson Skoog will look into obtaining a TV screen.

Supervisor Johnson indicated that he has had conversations with the Bison’s Baseball group and their concerns. They recognize that some of their items are not practical. Many are basic maintenance items that Supervisor Johnson has already discussed with Buildings and Grounds to address this year.

Supervisor Johnson announced the Village of Brockport Open House at their new location on Wednesday, April 11th from 2 pm to 5 pm, the calling hours for 7 year old Abraham Cardenas also on Wednesday, April 11th from 4 pm to 6 pm and encouraged everyone to attend the Lodge Grand Opening on Saturday, April 14th from 10 am to 2 pm.

Town Clerk Karen Sweeting reported another successful Judge William Cody Memorial Blood Drive.

Finance Director Leisa Strabel announced that an active shooter training session has been scheduled for staff to attend on May 10, 2018 at 8 am.

Town Attorney Jim Bell reported that the Solar Committee will be meeting on Sunday with Planning Board Chairman Craig McAllister and Building/Code Enforcement Steve Lauth to go over the proposed changes to the solar law.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Hayles to approve **all** Consent Agenda items as listed below.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Councilperson Hayles	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Rich	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Aye</u>	
Supervisor Johnson	<u>Aye</u>	ADOPTED

- Approval of the minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting held on March 27, 2018

- RESOLUTION NO. 55 Budget Modifications

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Supervisor is hereby authorized to make the following modification to the 2018 Town Budget:

Increase A2705 Gifts and Donations	\$10,000
Increase A7110.4 Park Contractual	\$10,000

Sec. 2 That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**It was noted that this reflects the money received from the Sweden Community Foundation for the furnishings at the Lodge at the Town Park.

- RESOLUTION NO. 56 Approving Fireworks Application and Permit – Sweden Clarkson Community Center – July 3, 2018

WHEREAS, an application for the display of fireworks has been received from the Sweden Clarkson Recreation Supervisor, for the Sweden Clarkson Community Center located at 4927 Lake Rd., Brockport New York for consideration by the Town Board. Said display to be held on July 3, 2018 at dusk (9:45 PM) at the Sweden Clarkson Community Center grounds. In case of inclement weather the date will be July 5, 2018; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board hereby approves the application for the display of fireworks at the Sweden Clarkson Community Center on July 3, 2018 and authorizes the Town Clerk to issue a permit for same.
- Sec. 2. That Young Explosives Corporation provide an indemnity policy with liability of at least \$2,000,000 conditioned for the payment of all damages which may be caused to a person or persons, or to property by reason of acts of the permittee, his agents, employees, etc. Such policy shall run to the Town.
- Sec. 3. That the Supervisor is authorized to sign the July 3, 2018 exhibition contract with Young Explosives at a cost of \$8,500.00.
- Sec. 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 57 Appoint Seasonal Laborers – Park

WHEREAS, the Buildings and Grounds department has recommended the re-appointment of Anthony Bryant and Dale Taber as Seasonal Laborers for the Sweden Town Park for the 2018 summer season.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Anthony Bryant and Dale Taber as Seasonal Laborers at a rate of pay of \$10.40 per hour, not to exceed 28 hours per week, beginning on or after April 16, 2018 and ending on or before August 31, 2018.
- Sec. 2. That this appointment does not constitute an offer of permanent employment or any benefits that are normally attached to permanent appointments.
- Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 58 Appoint Heavy Equipment Operator – Bell

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the Town of Sweden Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the vacancy was duly advertised and interviews held; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways has recommended hiring Kenneth Bell as Full Time Heavy Equipment Operator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Kenneth Bell as Full Time Heavy Equipment Operator.
- Sec. 2. That the rate of pay will be \$22.00 per hour.
- Sec. 3. That the start date will be April 16, 2018.
- Sec. 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Hayles to revisit Resolution No. 53 tabled on March 27, 2018 – Change Time of Workshops and Regular Town Board Meetings April 10, 2018 – June 26, 2018.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Hayles	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Rich	<u>Nay</u>	
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Nay</u>	
Supervisor Johnson	<u>Aye</u>	Motion Adopted

Councilperson Hayles made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Muesebeck to amend the resolution so that the start date of the period be changed from April 10, 2018 to April 17, 2018.

Councilperson Rich is not in favor of the change in time indicating that the Deputy Supervisor can run the meetings. Councilperson Muesebeck stated that the Supervisor is asking for the change so that he can coach a youth sports activity and feels it is important to the community. Mrs. Rich stated that the board is here to serve the public and the meetings should be held when it is convenient for the public as do many other county meetings. Councilperson Hayles feels that it is admirable of the Supervisor to want to continue coaching youth and added that most of the public in attendance tonight could make the 5 pm meetings. Mrs. Rich added that the meetings have been at 7 pm and it is about the people the board serves. Discussion of timeframe in which the Supervisor would not be available for the meetings. Supervisor Johnson said he was disappointed because this topic was discussed at a recent work session and no member of the board expressed any objection at that time. Councilperson Skoog felt the Supervisor could still attend part of the meeting before/after the games. Supervisor Johnson mentioned that he thought Councilperson Skoog would support the change since she had suggested moving the meeting time earlier during a private discussion. Mr. Johnson added that there is a shortage of coaches and he has been the head coach for several years. Mrs. Skoog felt their first priority should be serving the public. Discussion. Councilperson Rich did not feel that Supervisor Johnson should vote on this resolution. Supervisor Johnson indicated that there was no personal gain by doing so.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Hayles	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Rich	<u>Nay</u>	
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Nay</u>	
Supervisor Johnson	<u>Aye</u>	Motion Adopted

Councilperson Muesebeck made the motion that was seconded by Councilperson Hayles (Original motion made on March 27, 2018).

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD AS AMENDED:

Councilperson Hayles	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Rich	<u>Nay</u>
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Nay</u>
Supervisor Johnson	<u>Aye</u>

Motion Adopted

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Reminder – Lodge at the Town Park – Grand Opening event April 14, 2018 10am – 2pm.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Muesebeck moved to adjourn the April 10, 2018 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 7:56 p.m. Councilperson Hayles seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting
Town Clerk