

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, December 13, 2016.

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

Visitors present were Annie Crane, Chris Hamlin, Joan Hamlin, Gary Mault, Cassia McCracken, Eric McCracken, Don Grentzinger, Bill Johnson, Karen Gabriel, Ray Gabriel, Joseph McCracken, Bernice Lachman, Jim Lachman, Kathleen Breiner, Kevin Breiner, Paul McCracken, David Stettner and Dale Robinson.

Supervisor Carges called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Carges apologized for not reciting the Pledge to the Flag before the opening of the Public Hearings on December 6, 2016.

Supervisor Carges acknowledged the visitors and asked if anyone wanted to address the board.

Don Grentzinger stated he was concerned with the Town Board vacancy and the lack of effort in filling that position. He felt that as a resident he was not being fully represented.

Mike Bove from Monroe Ambulance announced that they have started a Fall Prevention and Home Safety Program which includes physical examination of the individual and a home safety inspection. This program is supported by the local hospitals and the Finger Lakes Regional Trauma Advisory Council. Mr. Bove stated that during 2015 Monroe Ambulance answered 400 service calls for injuries due to falls. He also reported that 79 calls to date were for opiate overdoses. Mr. Bove provided information on new skills and syringes that will be used for emergencies requiring the use of epi pens.

No other comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Rich to accept the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting held on November 22, 2016. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

November 2016 departmental reports were received and reviewed by the Town Board from the following departments: Building Department, Phyllis Brudz; Finance Director, Leisa Strabel; and Deputy Town Clerk, Kathy Roberts.

SUPERVISOR'S CORRESPONDENCE

2016 Received From:

*1. Brian Ingraham, Superintendent of Highways

*Board has copies

Comments:

Appointment of Ruth Kruppner as Secretary to the Superintendent of Highways

Supervisor Carges submitted the following correspondence:

- Appointment of Leisa Strabel as Secretary to Supervisor and Budget Officer
- Appointment of Robert Muesebeck as Deputy Supervisor

Supervisor Carges also received an e-mail from a resident of the Town pertaining to Public Service Law Article 10 – utilities and their placement, specifically wind towers in the Towns of Somerset and Clayton. He thought it may apply to solar farms. The board will keep the information in mind.

REPORTS

Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham reported that leaf collection was done, snow fence has been installed, the Town Park sewer project is complete and they are focusing on equipment maintenance and snow and ice control.

Councilperson Skoog reported that a Water Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 15, 2016. (Cancelled due to weather.) The committee will be reviewing the survey data. Councilperson Rich reported that she had contacted the Monroe County Water Authority and was also trying to find out who “labeled” the Town of Sweden, ie urban/rural. The label seems to be a factor in the Town’s ability to receive funding. Discussion.

Supervisor Carges reported that he and Finance Director Leisa Strabel met with a representative from Iroquois Rock Products and discussed the water issues on Swamp Road. Mr. Carges presented the following names for consideration as members of a solar power committee: Bill Johnson, Grace Lawlor, Mark Rabjohn, Don Pophal and Councilperson Muesebeck to chair the committee.

**Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Skoog to approve the above individuals to serve on a solar power committee. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

David Stettner offered some information to the board pertaining to solar power for consideration by the committee. Discussion.

**Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Carges to withdraw ~~Local Law 2 of 2016~~ and Local Law 3 of 2016 and Local Law 4 of 2016 (*amended at the meeting of December 29, 2016) from further consideration at this time. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 121

Approve All Seasons County/Town
Work Agreement - 2017

WHEREAS, Monroe County and the Town of Sweden desire to enter into an All Seasons County/Town Work Agreement from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 with additional one-year term extensions upon mutual written consent of the parties for a maximum agreement term of 10 years ending December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways recommends that the Town Board enters into the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby authorize the Agreement for All Seasons County/Town Work for the period starting January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2017.
- Sec. 2. That the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents.
- Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Skoog
Seconded by Councilperson Rich

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Rich	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Carges	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – December 13, 2016

Adopted

*Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham explained that the agreement allows the Town to do road work for the county as well as set labor and equipment rates for the year. It also includes roadside mowing and dead animal pick up on county roads.

RESOLUTION NO. 122 Authorizing Supervisor to Sign Agreement
With Monroe Medi-Trans, Inc. d/b/a
Monroe Ambulance for Ambulance Service

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden has an agreement with Monroe Medi-Trans, Inc. d/b/a Monroe Ambulance regarding the terms and requirements for the provision of ambulance service in the Town of Sweden outside the Village of Brockport.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the updated agreement with Monroe Medi-Trans, Inc. d/b/a Monroe Ambulance that sets forth the terms and conditions for the operation of ambulance service in the Town of Sweden outside the Village of Brockport.
- Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Muesebeck
Seconded by Councilperson Rich

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Muesebeck	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Rich	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Skoog	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Carges	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – December 13, 2016

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 123

Encumbrances

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Director of Finance be authorized to establish accounts payable and encumber the applicable appropriation account balances to apply to unpaid obligations as filed with her at the close of the 2016 fiscal year by the heads of administrative units of the Town and to amend the 2016 budget by increasing the proper appropriations per any encumbrances so filed.
- Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Skoog
Seconded by Councilperson Muesebeck

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

- Councilperson Muesebeck Aye
- Councilperson Rich Aye
- Councilperson Skoog Aye
- Supervisor Carges Aye

Submitted – December 13, 2016

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 124

Adjust Pay Rates for Employees
Earning Minimum Wage

WHEREAS, the New York State minimum wage will rise to \$9.70 per hour on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden has several employees earning the current minimum wage of \$9.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has recommended that the Town adjust the wages of those earning minimum wage to the new rate effective December 31, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden hereby increases the hourly rate for employees currently earning less than \$9.70 per hour to \$9.70 per hour.
- Sec. 2. That the increase will take effect for hours worked on December 31, 2016.
- Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Muesebeck
Seconded by Councilperson Rich

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

- Councilperson Muesebeck Aye
- Councilperson Rich Aye

Councilperson Skoog
Supervisor Carges
Submitted – December 13, 2016

Aye
Aye

Adopted

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

All of the Board members reviewed the invoice audit journal. Councilperson Muesebeck made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Skoog authorizing payment of the bills in Abstract 12A dated December 14, 2016 in the amount of \$60,218.01. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

General Fund: In the amount of \$36,445.17 as set forth in Abstract 12A dated December 14, 2016.

Highway Fund: In the amount of \$15,157.13 as set forth in Abstract 12A dated December 14, 2016.

Special Fund: In the amount of \$8,615.71 as set forth in Abstract 12A dated December 14, 2016.

DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Board discussed appointments to the Seymour Library Board and Environmental Conservation Board. The Finance Director presented the board with draft resolutions for the Organizational Meeting to be held on January 3, 2017 at 5 p.m. Discussion relative to reserve funds, sales tax revenue and senior center monthly report.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Muesebeck moved to adjourn the December 13, 2016 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 7:50 p.m. Councilperson Skoog seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting
Town Clerk