December 11, 2019

**PRESENT: SUPERVISOR JONES**

**COUNCILPERSON CODY**

**COUNCILPERSON PUSHLAR**

**COUNCILPERSON STRACK**

**COUNCILPERSON WESTER**

**TOWN CLERK DOLAN**

The regular meeting of the Fenner Town Board was called to order at 8:00pm by Supervisor Jones with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilperson Strack motioned to accept the November Town Board meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Councilperson Cody. Approved by the Board.

Councilperson Wester motioned to accept the Town Clerk’s Monthly Report as presented. Seconded by Councilperson Pushlar. Approved by the Board.

Councilperson Pushlar motioned to accept the Supervisor’s Monthly Report as presented. Seconded by Councilperson Cody. Approved by Board.

Highway Superintendent Liaison Strack presented the Highway Department’s report.

The culvert on Shepard Rd is already in need of repair, the original work was paid for by a grant from Fish and Wildlife.

A resident asked about the culverts going in on Wyss Rd, the question will be passed on the highway superintendent.

**SPECIAL ORDERS:**

**A RESOLUTION 2019 -20 SCHEDULING A SPECIAL DISTIRCT ELECTION AND DESIGNATING ELECTION INSPECTORS FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2020**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019 -20**

**OF THE TOWN BOARD**

**OF THE TOWN OF FENNER**

**A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A SPECIAL DISTIRCT ELECTION AND DESIGNATING ELECTION INSPECTORS FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2020**

**WHEREAS,** on November 13, 2019, the Town Board of the Town of Fenner, acting pursuant to Article 12-A of the Town Law, adopted a resolution to establish the Town of Fenner Ambulance District No. 2, subject to mandatory referendum as provided in section 94 of the Town Law.

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that there be a special election of the proposed Town of Fenner Ambulance District No. 2 to be held on January 13, 2020, and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that voting at said special election shall take place at the Fenner Town Hall located at 3151 Fenner East Road, Cazenovia (Town of Fenner), New York, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on said date, and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proposition to be voted upon at this special election shall read as follows:

**PROPOSITION**

Shall the qualified electors of the Town of Fenner Ambulance District No. 2 approve the resolution establishing the Town of Fenner Ambulance District No. 2 adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Fenner on the 13th day of November, 2019.

and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that Lynn Jones of Fenner is hereby designated as Chair of this special election, and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that there be two (2) election inspectors for this special election and those inspectors are hereby designated as Lynn Jones of Fenner and Jeanne Putney of Fenner and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman and the election inspectors shall each be compensated in the amount of $12.50 per hour for their services in regard to this special election, and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that all, but only, owners of real property within the proposed special district, as indicated on the latest assessment roll or documented by a valid filed deed, including joint tenants, tenants by the entirety and tenants in common, shall be eligible to vote at this special election, as will partnerships, corporations and other business entities owning real property and providing a duly adopted company resolution designating a voting agent, which business entities shall each be entitled to only one vote, and

**IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED** that no absentee or emergency ballots shall be permitted. All voters must appear in person at this special election.

Dated: December 11, 2019

**Motion to approve: Bill Wester Seconded: Bill Cody**

**VOTE:**

**David Jones – aye**

**Bill Cody – aye**

**Adam Pushlar - aye**

**Bill Wester-aye**

**Hannah Strack -aye**

**Resolution 2019 -21 Appreciation –Retiree Recognition Sharon Larkin**

**RESOLUTION 2019 -21**

**Of the Town Board**

**Of the Town of Fenner**

**Resolution of Appreciation – Retiree Recognition**

**WHEREAS,** the Fenner Town Board believes that town employees should be recognized for their faithful service to the public:

**WHEREAS,** recognition of the distinguished service of certain town employees with an upcoming retirement is in order,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fenner Town Board hereby recognizes the dedicated contributions of Sharon Larkin, upon his retirement.

Sharon Larkin 1986 -1976 and 1986 - 2019

Dated December 11, 2019

**Motion to approve: Bill Wester Seconded: Bill Cody**

**VOTE:**

**David Jones - aye**

**Adam Pushlar - aye**

**Bill Cody - aye**

**Bill Wester-aye**

**Hannah Strack -aye**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Local Law Animal Cruelty request.

Judge Watts is asking for a local law allowing the DCO (Dog Control Officer) to have the authority to issue an appearance ticket and potentially remove a dog from owner’s possession if abuse is suspected.

A representative from the Sheriff’s department responded, stated that law enforcement will ALWAYS respond to cruelty to animal complaints. They do have the authority to remove the dog if deemed necessary. He also cautioned that going onto private property and removing a resident’s animal could lead to potential violence, aggression and liability to the town.

The Board will consider both sides of this issue and contact the town’s attorney as they move toward resolution.

The town supervisor will also contact Sheriff Hood about possible retention a local veterinarian to be contracted to evaluate suspected animal abuse.

CRIS/CASA donation mix up. CHIS was donated to and we will follow up a donation to CASA.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There will be **no** change in Board Meeting time during the winter months. Meeting will remain at 8:00 pm.

Madison County Broadband survey – all residents are encouraged to complete survey, copies are available at the town building, on line, local libraries, schools and post offices.

**VOUCHERS:** Councilperson Wester moved to approve payment of the General Fund claims numbers G 19-129 – G19-142 in the amount of 6830.03 as set forth in abstract number11 and as audited. Seconded by Councilperson Strack. Approved by the Board.

Councilperson Cody moved to approve payment of the Highway Fund claims numbers H 19-129 - H-19-141 in the amount of 40,033.74 as set forth in abstract number 11 and as audited. Seconded by Councilperson Pushlar. Approved by the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilperson Wester moved to adjourn meeting at 9 pm seconded by Councilperson Strack. Approved by Board

**HANDOUTS AND REPORTS:**

On file in the Town Clerk’s Office.

Code Enforcement Officer Report – November 2019

Town Clerk Report – November 2019

Supervisors Report – November 2019

Highway Superintendent Report – November 2019

Dog Control Report – November 2019

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Dolan

Town of Fenner, Town Clerk