

February 9, 2016

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THURMAN HELD FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AT THE TOWN HALL, 311 ATHOL ROAD, ATHOL, NEW YORK, COMMENCING AT 6:35 P.M...

PRESENT: Mrs. Evelyn Wood, Supervisor

Mr. Michael Eddy, Councilman

Mrs. Gail Seaman, Councilwoman

Mr. John Youngblood, Councilman

RECORDING SECRETARY: Jeanie Sprague, Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Jamiee Ross, Tax Collector; Douglas Needham, Maintenance; Albert Vasak, Deputy Supervisor; Patrick Wood, Highway Superintendent

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

The Meeting was called to order by **Evelyn Wood, Supervisor**

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Discussion between **Councilman Michael Eddy** and **Supervisor Evelyn Wood** about the legality of the meeting ensued.

Councilman Michael Eddy exited the Meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Supervisor Evelyn Wood stated that some letters of interest had been received regarding the vacant board seat.

Supervisor Evelyn Wood asked for an **Executive Session** for matters relating to the appointment of a particular individual.

RESOLUTION #22:

On a motion by **Councilwoman Seaman**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Town Board resolved to move into an Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. to discuss matters relating to the appointment of a particular individual.

Motion Carried: 3 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman

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RESOLUTION #23:

On a motion by **Councilman Youngblood**, seconded by **Councilwoman Seaman**, the Town Board resolved to come back from Executive Session at 7:24 p.m. and no action was taken.

Motion Carried: 3 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman

RESOLUTION #24:

On a motion by **Councilwoman Seaman**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Town Board appointed **Susan Shepler** to the vacant Town Board Seat.

Motion Carried: 3 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman

SWEARING IN: Susan Shepler, Councilwoman

CORRESPONDENCES: Letter requesting a street sign replacement from **Sondra Cameron**, Letter thanking the **Town Board and Supervisor Wood** for keeping our taxes down from **Winifred Martin**.

RESOLUTION #25:

On a motion by **Councilman Youngblood**, seconded by **Councilwoman Seaman**, the Town Board resolved to approve the **Organizational Minutes from January 4, 2016** and the **Regular Minutes from January 12, 2016** subject to correction by the Clerk.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

Committee Reports:

Councilman John Youngblood: **Highway Report** – Received letter from DEC on violation.

Concert Series Report

Councilwoman Gail Seaman: **Youth Report** – Easter Party scheduled for Saturday March 26, 2016 at the Thurman Town Hall from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for the Annual Kids Easter Egg Hunt.

Gleaning

Food Pantry

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: **AUD Complete, along with other annual reports.**

Office Started down stairs.

Letters regarding the well went out to the home owners.

Meeting with the Engineers.

Gallup Concrete will be starting the work next week on the concrete salt pad.

Switching the waste disposal companies at the dump.

Completed the multiyear financial plan for 2015 and will be starting the multiyear financial plan for 2016.

Street sign for High Street, Lauben Way and a sign that says Thurman Transfer Station at the end of Erving Baker Road.

DEC Violations – minor points, underground tank by Highway Garage needs to be removed, heating tank for the Town Hall needs to be brought into compliance (will be done in spring).

RESOLUTION #26:

On a motion by **Councilwoman Shepler**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Town Board resolved to declare the Brother Printer (HL-4070 CDW) as surplus equipment.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

OLD BUSINESS: **Attorney's bill** discussion ensued by the Board. Decision to send letter seeking reimbursement from the person that incurred the bill.

NEW BUSINESS: DEC does not allow the dump to take brush in. Possibility of chipping the brush – woodchips, compost pile etc. Contact Dave at Mountain Pleasant.

Conduct an inventory on Town assets.

Harris House/ Court Grants.

Recommend having Assessments done of the Town's Buildings. Need to address space issues.

LARAC Grant – We received \$1,800.00.

Hold on Trolley Discussion.

Association of Towns – Marriott is not accepting vouchers need to use Town credit card.

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RESOLUTION #27:

On a motion by **Councilman Youngblood**, seconded by **Councilwoman Shepler**, the Town Board approved the use of the town credit card for The Marriott for the annual training.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

RESOLUTION #28:

On a motion by **Councilwoman Seaman**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Town Board approved **Councilwoman Susan Shepler** to attend the annual training.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

POINT OF INTEREST: Offices closed on Monday February 15, 2016.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Mary Eddy, Jim Mosher, Marilyn Hoy-Youngblood, Cynthia Hyde, Joyce Eddy, Winifred Martin and Patrick Wood.

RESOLUTION #29:

On a motion by **Councilman Youngblood**, seconded by **Councilwoman Seaman**, the Town Board resolved to conduct a town inventory.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

RESOLUTION #30:

On a motion by **Councilwoman Seaman**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Town Board resolved to rescind Resolution #23 of 2014.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

RESOLUTION #31:

Resolution to Accept Grant and Authorize Contract

WHEREAS the Town of Thurman has applied to LARAC for grant funding for the 2016 Summer Concert Series, and

WHEREAS the Town has been awarded a total of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) from LARAC, be it

RESOLVED that the Town Board accepts the grant and authorizes the supervisor to sign any necessary documents.

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On a motion by **Councilman Youngblood**, seconded by **Councilwoman Shepler**, Resolution #31 was approved.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

RESOLUTION #32:

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: 2016 Abstract 002 (General Fund - \$97,423.35; Highway Fund - \$59,720.07, Capital Fund - \$40,101.84 and Enterprise Fund - \$1,425.73)

On a motion by **Councilwoman Seaman**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Board approved payment of the claims.

Motion Carried: 3 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman

1 Abstention ~ Councilwoman, Shepler

Jax Wax will be in March.

The First Wilderness Heritage Corridor we do an ad every year they reimburse 50%— Designating two events Maple Days and Fall Farm Tours. Randy Galusha as contact for Maple Days, and Winifred Martin as contact for Fall Farm Tour.

RESOLUTION #33:

On a motion by **Councilwoman Shepler**, seconded by **Councilman Youngblood**, the Town Board resolved to authorize **Pam Morin's** request in regards to the First Wilderness Corridor for the Southern Adirondack Guide Ad designating Maple Days with Randy Galusha as the contact and Fall Farm Tour with Winifred Martin as the contact for the two events.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes ~ Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by **Councilwoman Seaman**, seconded by **Councilwoman Shepler** the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED: 4 Ayes ~Youngblood, Wood, Seaman, Shepler

WARRENSBURG EMS REPORT attached.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jeanie M. Sprague, Town Clerk

February 23, 2016

2-8-2016

To Town Board - Town of Thurman

I, Sondra Cameron would like to make a request to have my street sign replaced at 11 Lauben Way, (Private Drive) at 205 Mountain Road, that was taken by previous owners.

The reason for this request is for 911 purposes in case of any emergencies.

Sincerely,

Sondra Cameron
11 Lauben Way
Athol, Nj 12810

(518) 623-2032

Thurman Town Board
Athol, NY 12810

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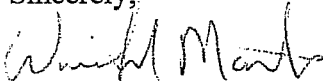
To the Thurman Town Board,

On January 29th we received a check from the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. The note enclosed with the check stated that this "tax relief" was due in part to our taxing jurisdictions compliance with the tax cap.

We have heard Supervisor Wood time and time again talk about the tax cap and her and the boards efforts to stay under that cap. Knowing how expenses increase and listening to the budget presentations I understand this is not an easy task, but Thurman has done it again.

My thanks go to the board and especially Supervisor Evelyn Wood, for not only keeping our taxes down but also enabling this "tax relief".

Sincerely,



Winefred Martin

Please include this in the board minutes

WARRENSBURG



EMS

Stephen W. Emerson
Operations Manager

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Email ~ tek910@nycap.rr.com

*Our Patients Are Our First Priority
Our Members Are Our Greatest Asset*

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Thurman Town Board Members,

Attached you will find the run totals for January 2016. We handled a total of 6 calls in town. 4 of the calls were Advanced Life Support and 1 of the calls was Basic Life Support. 1 Call was a lift assist call. Our average response time to being on scene was 15 minutes.

I would like to remind everyone to please make sure that their house numbers can be easily seen. This will help aid all emergency responders find you when you need help.

All Thurman Town Board Members and residents are more than welcome to contact me at any time if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. I can be reached on my cell phone at 232-0817. I would like to thank the Town Board and the Thurman residents for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen W. Emerson

Stephen W. Emerson
Operations Manager
Warrensburg EMS, Inc.

Warrensburg Emergency Medical Services Inc.
PO Box 157
Warrensburg, New York 12885

**Thurman calls handled by Warrensburg EMS
January 2016**

DATE	PCR#	PRIORITY	CHIEF COMPLAINT	DISPATCH TO ENROUTE	ENROUTE TO ON SCENE
1/1/2016	16-00138	ALS	DIFFICULTY BREATHING	2 MINUTES	14 MINUTES
1/9/2016	16-00984	ALS	POSSIBLE MI	6 MINUTES	17 MINUTES
1/11/2016	16-01248	BLS	LIFT ASSIST	NO TIMES/ NO TRANSPORT	NO TIMES/ NO TRANSPORT
1/11/2016	16-01257	BLS	FALL	2 MINUTES	20 MINUTES
1/17/2016	16-01902	ALS	NECK AND BACK PAIN	3 MINUTES	10 MINUTES
1/18/2016	16-02002	ALS	GENERAL WEAKNESS	0 MINUTES	14 MINUTES