# TOWN OF DELHI BOARD MEETING October 10, 2022 7:00PM

Supervisor Tuthill called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Those present:

Councilmember's: Margaret Baldwin, Matt Krzyston, and Christina Viafore, Bill Cairns.

Highway Superintendent Daren Evans

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Cairns.

### **Privilege of the Floor:**

N/A

### Approval of September 12, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes:

Councilmember Cairns made the motion to accept the September 12, 2022 minutes as presented with Councilmember Baldwin seconding. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Councilmember Baldwin stated the hydro-seeding had been completed. The leaves were blown off the newly seeded areas. Highway Superintendent Evans has barricaded the playground off. Supervisor Tuthill questioned Baldwin as to the swings; Baldwin stated she had reached out to Parkitect and has not heard back. The benches are being stored at the highway department just waiting for them to schedule a time; Evans stated we could still pour the concrete. Baldwin is hoping they will be here shortly.

#### **New Business:**

Supervisor Tuthill announced we had received our fiscal stress numbers for 2021; our number is 20 this is the best it has been. This is a no designation; the town is in no danger of financial stress. He further stated the environmental stress number which is the economic conditions of the surrounding areas; we have always been susceptible. This time we received a no designation; apparently enough money has moved into the area, this is a first. Councilmember Krzyston asked Tuthill to explain further; Tuthill explained fiscal stress means you are constantly spending more money then you are budgeting and your fund balances are dwindling. We normally have been in the 30's. The scale goes up to the 100's. Krzyston asked if you are carrying too much reserves would that show; Tuthill said no that would come through an audit. Krzyston then questioned the "environmental stress" Tuthill explained that it has nothing to do with what we think of as "environmental" but it is just the surrounding area; if you have a high percentage of people on public assistance or average/low income. The board asked about other towns; Tuthill couldn't remember.

Supervisor Tuthill stated a public hearing needed to be scheduled for the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting for the acceptance of the 2023 town budget. The hearing will be scheduled for 6:55pm prior to the regular scheduled monthly meeting. The clerk will advertise.

# **Committee Reports:**

**Highway/Machinery:** (Councilmember's Baldwin & Cairns) Written report from Superintendent Evans provided to councilmembers. Evans further stated that everything we have been waiting for has come in; everything for both of the culvert replacements has finally arrived (Webster Brook & Federal Hill #2) are either here or being shipped. Webster Brook should be open hopefully by the end of next week. Federal Hill #2 is still waiting on the concrete to cure; that will be into early November. Tuthill asked if the setbacks would cause the project to not get done this year; Evans stated no, it will fall within the extension for the stream work (most

of it is done.) The replacement pipe that we need for Huska Road has also arrived; within the next two weeks, we will end up shutting down the road for the day to replace the culvert. Evans said the paving project for Falls Mills is scheduled for tomorrow, the road will be closed from 6:00am - 4:00pm.

Evans informed the board about the 92 Oshkosh repair. He explained the issue with the radiator and the cost to rebuild it will be roughly \$6,000. Councilmember Cairns asked if it was imperative to fix; Evans stated yes we use it often; Tuthill said it's a workhorse in a storm also. Krzyston asked about the company NY Radiator; Evans stated they are very good we have used them prior. Evans explained the difference is we cannot get a new radiator for the truck, they will need to rebuild the existing one. The truck is in good shape and worth fixing. Tuthill requested a motion for Evans to spend the money necessary (roughly \$6,000) to fix the truck. Councilmember Baldwin made the motion approving with Councilmember Cairns seconding. Motion carried.

Councilmember Cairns questioned the 2007 Volvo repair; Evans stated the mechanic had removed the transmission and his hoping the best case scenario will be a clutch.

Personnel: (Councilmember's Viafore & Baldwin): N/A

Recreation/Health/Youth: (Councilmember's Viafore & Baldwin): Councilmember Baldwin requested that Highway Superintendent Evans put the pool handicap chair back on Auctions International. Evans said he will do it two weeks before the next board meeting as it runs for that long. Councilmember Baldwin will check with Dusty to make sure he has the water out of the heaters at the pool. She also requested that Councilmember Viafore help put her on the alarm system at the pool. Councilmember Krzyston asked about the status of PAC, Baldwin said they are taking it slow.

## **Economic Development/Shared Services:** N/A

**Buildings:** Councilmember Cairns discussed Principal Design's bill on the abstract. They came over and met with Shawn and were able to show were indeed it was commercial ridge that they put on the building. It satisfied their portion of it. Cairns said he had not gotten a bid on the a/c roof cover. Cairns asked Councilmember Krzyston about the window issues; Krzyston has not yet gotten any information; but will.

Councilmember Krzyston stated that the college whom has done work for the town has now a new policy which requires a contract in order to have any work performed; Tuthill stated the town attorney is reviewing the contract. Supervisor Tuthill will follow up.

IT: Councilmember Viafore stated we are up to 107 subscribers for Nixle. She has been sending alerts. Codes: Supervisor Tuthill stated in September: 9 building permit issued, sixteen inspections / meetings, five in-office conferences, three c/o letters, one certificate of occupancy and he drove 188 miles.

#### **CODES Monthly Report:**

A motion was made by Councilmember Cairns to accept the codes report for September 2022 Councilmember Krzyston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Justice Court Report:**

A motion was made by Councilmember Cairns to accept the September 2022 Justice Court Reports. Councilmember Krzyston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Clerk's Monthly Report:**

A motion was made by Councilmember Cairns to accept the September 2022 Clerk's Report seconded by Councilmember Viafore. Motion carried.

#### **Supervisor's Financial Report:**

Supervisor Tuthill presented the board with the September 2022 Financial Report. Councilmember Baldwin made the motion to accept the September 2022 Supervisor's Report with Councilmember Viafore seconding the motion. Motion carried.

## **Supervisor's County Report:**

Supervisor Tuthill stated that the supervisors had taken a tour of the building on the corner of Main and Bridge Streets. They are hoping to be done by the end of the year. The Bloomville garage is starting to move along and they are just getting nicely started down in Walton. They have gone through the budget the first time around. Councilmember Krzyston asked about the house the burned on Main Street; Tuthill stated he has not seen plans yet.

### **Abstracts:**

Councilmember Baldwin made the motion to approve Abstract #0010 – 2022 accounts A – DB Voucher No.00386-00418 equaling \$54,543.93 account TA No. 0081 – 0083 equaling \$12,824.59. Total vouchers presented equaled \$67,368.52. Councilmember Cairns seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## Adjourn:

Councilmember Viafore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm, Councilmember Cairns seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsa Schmitz

Elsa Schmitz, Town Clerk, Town of Delhi