

## **Knox Town Board Minutes**

Special Meeting October 29, 2018

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The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag as well as a moment of silence for the victims of the Schoharie limousine crash.

## Present on this date:

- Supervisor Lefkaditis
- Councilman Barber
- Councilman Barcomb
- Councilman Pritchard
- Councilman Saddlemire
- Superintendent of Highways Gary Salisbury
- Town Attorney Javid Afzali
- Town Clerk Traci Schanz

The meeting began with a discussion regarding the last budget meeting. Discussions were held regarding the pending preliminary budget, including the eight-hour position needed for the highway garage. Superintendent Salisbury proposed a plan that he would continue to do the paperwork as necessary including the recycling and transfer station. Options were discussed, and a quarterly stipend was agreed upon and added into the preliminary budget.

Each line item from the tentative budget that the board had remaining questions on was discussed. The board still awaits an answer regarding the money from the PILOT program and if it is to be shared. Supervisor Lefkaditis will follow up on this matter.

**RESOLUTION 182-2018** – A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis, to approve the tentative budget as the preliminary budget with changes as follows: 2% increases for the PB and ZBA secretaries, transfer station employees, highway superintendent, book keeper and clerk; court matron an increase of \$300.00, highway employees an increase of .50, highway superintendent will receive \$5,000.00 stipend. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to approve the tentative budget as the preliminary budget with the changes as listed. This motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 183-2018** – A motion was made by Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Pritchard, to schedule a public hearing and advertise the budget accordingly for November 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to schedule a public hearing and advertise the budget accordingly for November 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the SEQR form for the MRD and possible environmental impacts. The board reviewed each line/question in section 2 on the form.

Councilman Barber announced there was meeting held regarding the Hometown Heroes Program. A committee was formed, and Knox will be participating in the program. Further information will follow.

Supervisor Lefkaditis discussed a possible land swap with the Mohawk Land Conservancy and the land near the transfer station. The board would like to have the land surveyed first before further discussing the swap.

**RESOLUTION 184-2018** – A motion was made by Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barber to authorize the supervisor to enter into a contract with Great Outdoors Surveyors, NTE \$1,300.00 to survey the land that currently houses the transfer station. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to enter into a survey contract with Great Outdoors Surveyors

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**RESOLUTION 185-2018** – A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis to adjourn the public session, enter executive session, not to reconvene the public session. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to adjourn the public session, enter executive session, not to reconvene the public session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Schanz Knox Town Clerk November 12, 2018