

**Town of Sennett Board Meeting
January 15, 2019**

Minutes of the Town of Sennett Town Board Meeting held on Tuesday January 15, 2019 at the Town of Sennett Office Building at 7:00 PM.

Members Present: Peter Adams, Supervisor
 Jerrold Eades, Councilman
 Edward Rizzo, Councilman
 James Jeffers, Councilman
 Richard Gagliardi, Councilman
 Kristopher LaPointe, Highway Superintendent
 Ronald Schalck, Water & Wastewater Superintendent
 Richard Andino, Town Attorney
 Penelope Dennis, Town Clerk

The meeting is opened with the pledge to the flag.

Minutes of the December 18th, 27th and January 3rd, meetings are approved on a motion made by Councilman Gagliardi, seconded by Councilman Eades, 5 ayes 0 nays, carried.

Finances – the bookkeeper is in the process of closing out 2018 and filing the AUD with NYS.

Old Business:

- 1) County Sales Tax Revenues are down approximately 6.3% from 2017.
- 2) Insero & Co. from Ithaca NY has been hired to audit the town finances and will start at the end of March.
- 3) Park Grant – the state needs more information. This will be a spring project; the Supervisor explains the type of grant.
- 4) The town has not heard anything on the USDA Grant as of yet, It would involve a 38-year bond, but it can be paid off earlier without a penalty
- 5) Three laptop computers have been upgraded/replaced.
Upgrades/replacements to all computers will be done in stages.
- 6) Master Water and Sewer Plan are being proposed by the County.
Supervisor Adams updates the board with information from a meeting that he attended on December 6th. More information can be found at WSAMasterplan.com.

New Business:

- 1) The NYS Association of Towns meeting will be held February 17th through the 20th in NYC.
- 2) Sexual Harassment training must be completed by all employees in 2019.

- 3) The Town Board would like to meet with departments
- 4) the Newsletter will be done also.

Jeremy Bacon, Planning Board Chairman tells the board that the board's attorney, Dominic Giacona has started his own law firm. There is discussion on using the same attorney for both the Planning board and the ZBA. Councilmen Rizzo and Eades both state that they both like Attorney Norm Chirco and would like him to remain as the attorney for the ZBA. More discussion.

Department Reports:

The Highway Department reports that they have been plowing, sanding roads (long hours on some days); truck, tractor and road side mower maintenance and repairs; picked up brush, Christmas trees; repaired and replaced wings and plow edges and patched some potholes. (300 ton of salt). The Water & Wastewater Department reports that they fixed 2 water main breaks (Wegman St & Foxcroft Circle); replaced a service saddle and installed a new curb stop; water meters were read and bills sent out; data logs were done on meters for people that were flagged with leaks and high usage; monthly water operation reports were done and given to DOH; monthly water samples were collected; attended a training class on fire hydrants and valves; plowed snow around buildings and Franklin St Pump station and the van was wash and interior was cleaned. The generator should be here at the end of February. The Town Clerk reports \$5,117.76 for December. Judge Timian reports \$3,427.00 for December. Judge Riley reports \$3,419.00 for December. The Court Clerk's report is read and reviewed by the board. The CEO's report is read and reviewed by the board. Building permits for ag buildings information is given to the board for their review. The board will meet with the assessor at a later date. The Planning board has a proposal for a 26-acre solar farm and a greenhouse type ag building coming up for review.

The Public To Be Heard segment is opened on a motion made by Councilman Jeffers, seconded by Councilman Eades, 5 ayes 0 nays, carried. Jerry Patience, John Smith Avenue, brings up permits for ag buildings. There is discussion on this. Attorney Andino states that he will work with the CEOs and all involved with the drawing up of a form that could be used. The Public to Be Heard segment is closed on a motion made by Councilman Eades, seconded by Councilman Jeffers, 5 ayes 0 nays, carried.

A motion is made by Councilman Eades to enter into Executive Session for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation, seconded by Councilman Gagliardi, 5 ayes 0 nays, carried. A

motion is made by Councilman Jeffers to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Eades, 5 ayes 0 nays, carried.

The abstract in the amount of \$191,336.25 is approved for payment on a motion made by Councilman Eades, seconded by Councilman Jeffers. Roll Call Vote: Supervisor Adams yes, Councilman Eades yes, Councilman Gagliardi yes, Councilman Rizzo yes and Councilman Jeffers yes, carried.

The next meeting will be February 2th at 7:00 PM due to the Association of Towns meeting.

The meeting is adjourned on a motion made by Councilman Jeffers, seconded by Councilman Eades, 5 ayes 0 nays, carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Penelope Dennis, Town Clerk
Town of Sennett