

June 7, 2022 Special Town Board Meeting

The Special meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 5:00 p.m. Supervisor Hanson, Supervisor Cobb, Clerk Nancy Edwards, Treasurer Irene Messinger were present.

Others present: See attached listed:

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Supervisor Hanson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Land Purchase Firehouse: Chairman Gaulke stated Supervisor Hanson brought up a concern about the land purchase approval that took place at the Annual Town Meeting of April 19, 2022 that was voted on and approved by the electorate. Chairman Gaulke forwarded copies of the revised minutes and the recording to the Town Attorney Greg Harrold. Attorney Harrold did reply and his conclusion was that he believed the actions taken at the Annual Town Meeting authorized and directed the Town Board to purchase land for a fire house and ambulance building. It also authorized and directed the Town Board to borrow up to \$5.5 million to construct the new firehouse/ambulance building. After brief discussion motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Chairman Gaulke to pursue the purchase of the 42 acre property and give Chairman Gaulke authorization to finalize the purchase. Motion carried. Supervisor Hanson opposed.

Architectural North Contract: Firehouse-Ambulance building: Chairman Gaulke explained that we also received a reply letter from Attorney Harrold regarding Glenn Morrison's state certification for his business and his personal architectural license. Chairman Gaulke read this letter. Attorney Harrold received written confirmation on May 25, 2022 that Architecture North Ltd, has received a Certificate of Authorization and is valid thru January 31, 2024. It is Attorney Harrold's opinion that the town can enter into a contract with Architecture North, Ltd. at this time. Supervisor Hanson still has unresolved issues and is still pursuing issues with the license and would not elaborate.

Chairman Gaulke and Supervisor Cobb expressed concern on how Supervisor Hanson was submitting documents to the state and using titles that were not authorized by the Town Board. Documents were also sent as letters to the editor regarding corruption within the Town Board. Chairman Gaulke and Supervisor Cobb stated there has been no proof of corruption within the Town Board and resents the implications made. Supervisor Cobb feels this is a misconduct of office.

Motion by Supervisor Cobb seconded by Chairman Gaulke to go forward and sign the Architectural North Ltd contract for the new firehouse/ambulance building.

Motion carried. Supervisor Hanson opposed.

Chairman Gaulke will have Attorney Harrold review the contract when received.

Motion by Supervisor Hanson seconded by Supervisor Cobb to adjourn at 5:37 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk