

Town Board Minutes
March 14, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Torrey Town Board was held on March 14, 2023 at 56 Geneva Street, Dresden, New York, and called to order by Supervisor Martini at 7:30PM.

Present: Supervisor Peter Martini Councilmen: Lawrence Martin, Grant Downs, Bruce Henderson Excused: Colby Petersen- @ School Others present: Legislator District II- Terry Button, Gary McIntee, George Thompson, Robert Miller, George Dowse, Patricia Cusimano, Dwight James -CEO, George Dowse, Tim Chambers-Hwy Supt.

Mr. Martini led the pledge of Allegiance.

February minutes: Corrections- Add Jim Riesenberger to attendees, Remove Tim Dennis from attendees. Add highway culvert replacement on Serenity Road closing road for 2 days. With this correction Mr. Martin made a motion to accept February minutes 2nd Mr. Henderson carried.

Abstract of vouchers - Mr. Martini presented the abstracts.

Motion by Mr. Downs, 2nd Mr. Martin, that the bills on the General A & B Accounts in the amount of \$ 10,407.98 be paid, carried.

Motion by Mr. Downs, 2nd Mr. Martin that the bills on the Highway DA & DB Accounts in the amount of \$ 8,391.50 be paid, carried.

Mr. Martini presented **RD Water District 1 Project Budget/Cost Certification Form E.**

Motion by Mr. Downs 2nd Mr. Henderson authorizing the Supervisor to sign WD 1 Project Budget/Cost Certification Form E in the amount of \$ 702,747.94 carried by all.

Water District 1: Motion by Mr. Martin, 2nd Mr. Henderson to approve payment# 1 to Nardozzi Paving & Construction for Water District 1 work in the amount of \$ 702,747.94, carried by all

Municipal Solutions Amendment to 2015 Contract.

Motion by Mr. Downs 2nd Mr. Martin to approve an increase by \$11,000. to Municipal Solutions 2015 Contract and is not to exceed \$44,800. Carried by all.

Personnel Policy Tabled until committee is formed in April.

Water District 1 Budget Modification Resolution

Motion by Mr. Downs 2nd Mr. Martin to adopt following resolution amendment of Water District 1 Budget for \$ 31,120.

WHEREAS, the Town of Torrey has received funding from Rural Development for their Water District #1 ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to adjust project budget items to more accurately reflect actual costs and;

WHEREAS, Rural Development requires the Town Board to authorize all changes to the Administrative Budget as shown on the Form E; NOW, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Torrey authorizes the following WD 1 Budget modifications for the Project:

Local Counsel	Increase of	\$10,000.00
Fiscal Coordination	Increase of	8,720.00
Single Audits	Increase of	5,000.00
Admin. Force Account	Increase of	3,000.00
Railroad Occupancy Fees	Increase of	4,400.00

Roll call vote

Peter Martini, Supervisor Aye
Grant Downs, Councilman Aye
Bruce Henderson, Councilman Aye
Lawrence Martin, Councilman Aye 4 Ayes 0 Nays
Colby Petersen, Deputy Supervisor - Absent

Gary McIntee inquired about the cost increase to the Perry Point Water District. Delays caused the price increase and should not be the resident's sole burden. Would like the Town and County's involvement to help defray this cost. The need for potable/safe water is great on Perry Point as the lake water is deteriorating and very costly to purify.

Patricia Cusimano a Perry Point resident echoed Mr. McIntee's concerns. She feels she is living in a backwards country, having to travel 2 miles to the Town Building to retrieve drinking water in jugs.

Mr. McIntee stated the value of undeveloped lots will increase with the availability of water. He urged Town and County involvement.

Terry Button, District Legislator explained that residents should contact their state representatives in Washington for help with funding projects.

Discussion on delay due to issues between Villages of Dresden and Penn Yan on permissive area to sell water and the actual cost of water supply from the Village of Dresden.

Solar Permit Fees Motion by Mr. Downs 2nd Mr. Martin setting the Solar Farms Permit application Fee at \$ 1000.00 per MG Watt. This will be added to town permits fee schedule Carried by all.

Highway Report- Mr. Chambers reported culvert pipe change on Serenity will be next week, he will borrow small excavator from Yates County Highway. New loader to arrive early April.

Removed trees from Roy Road. Would like to see 2-year terms of Supervisor, Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Highway Superintendent be changed to 4-years. Supervisor is checking into this.

Perry Point Water survey on interest in going forward with water project, 44 postcards sent. To date responses:15 Yes, 7 No.

WD 1 update meeting here in town meeting room 3/21 at 9:00am

Mr. Downs reported update on Torrey Station. A summary report of tank removal will go to NYDEC Region 8 which will be reported to Attorney General to impose a lien on property. Debris from demolished building sill remains. NYSDEC did clean up on contaminated area in February.

Terry Button reported this year's Hazardous waste day take back will be held in August in Yates County.

May there will be a paint take back day.

Working on solid waste management plant.

Adopted a resolution to Governor regarding push back on her natural gas policy.

Yates County purchased a mini excavator with a grant and is available to any municipality in Yates to use.

Mr. Chambers has contacted the County last week on borrowing this machine for the Serenity Road culvert pipe work.

Mr. Downs acknowledged Deputy Clerk Darlene Conley for all her efforts running the Town Clerk office while clerk was out. A busy time with tax collection. Many thanks to Mrs. Conley for her excellent service during this time to the Town residents.

Mr. Downs reported on Yates County Bicentennial celebration. The Village of Dresden will hold a celebration on July 15.

Mr. Martini made a motion to adjourn 2nd Mr. Henderson, carried at 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted,