May 8, 2025 Town of Afton Chenango County

Present at our regular meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Jamie Baciuska, Chris Warren, Robert Tallmadge and Calvin Tallmadge; Highway Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; DCO Amy Cross; and Historian Mel Hager. Absent were Code Enforcement Baily DeBetta and Assessor Caitlyn Brown.

Visitors: sign in sheet on file

## Bills and Claims audited:

General Fund, Abstract no 5 Claims no 59-70, totaling \$5,981.28 Highway Fund, Abstract no 5 Claims no 38-49, totaling \$47,499.02

Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept the minutes of April 10, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to pay bills and claims. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

### Communication:

- 1/ Roy from Woollybear Web Support will be joining us next month's meeting on June 12, 2025.
- 2/ NYClass's April 2025 statement, distributed and filed.
- 3/ Thank you to Ernie Cutting and the ACSAA for the bench, and the Highway Dept for tying it down.

#### New Business:

- 1/ Discussion to purchase over lease an AED for the Town Hall, To purchase a Defibtech Life View for \$1,507.50
- 2/ NYS Teamster asking for a date for the Highway Dept contract

renewal. The Board wants to work on a proposal first, to have an Executive Session after next month's regular meeting set for June 12, 2025.

3/ Bids for the town parking lot were opened. Received two bids:

Quality One Sealcoating bid of \$8,054.00

Fuller Paving bid of \$9,250.00

Motion to accept the bid from Quality One Sealcoating. Motion Made by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

### Old Business:

1/ Will be looking to make amendments to the Town's Dog Law(no 3 of 2006), Licensing and Setting Licensing Fees for Dog's Law(no 2 of 2024)

## Committee Reports:

- 1/ Assessor, absent. Due to appointment this position will mature in September 2025. (Six year term)
- 2/ Finance, reports distributed and filed. Request of the Bookkeeper to move unassigned funds from General A \$150,000.00 to the NYClass General Fund A, and from unassigned funds Highway DB move \$300,000.00 to the NYClass Highway Fund DB. Motion to approve the two unassigned funds transfers to NYClass made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Also, a request to reimburse April for her hotel room, cancelled due to family emergency, non-refundable. Motion to reimburse her made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried.

- 3/ Sanitation, Bailey was absent, Calvin updated that Bailey could not connect with the owner of 125 Hilltop Drive.
- 4/ Highway, Kirk gave an update that the highway department has been cleaning ditches, rock-fill in and tree work. Will be coal mixing on Oxbow Rd. The department has recently taken safety training and harassment training with PERMA.
- 5/ DCO, Amy gave and estimate for a universal chip reader of \$300 Motion to approve purchase of the chip reader made by Jamie Baciuska, Seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.
- 6/ Building, nothing to report. Bids for parking lot already taken care of.

7/ Historian, report distributed and filed. Mel will be attending a conference for Historians in Albany on June 5th & 6<sup>th</sup>. Requested for one night stay in Albany. Motion to approve the hotel room for one night. Motion made by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Chris Warren.

8/ Clerk, I gave an update on the Bettsburg/Terry Road Abandoment. Letters were mailed to property owners within the section of abandonment about the bid. Also, received a phone call from someone that saw it in the minutes of the Town Board. Next step is placing the legal notice for accepting the bids for the purchase of this property. Bids returned by June 11, 2025 by 4:30pm, and will be opened on June 12, 2025 at the regular Town Board meeting.

I requested that I be appointed the Records Management Officer(RMO) for NYS Archives. Motion to approve the appointment of Sandra as the RMO was made by Chris Warren, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

# Recognition of visitors:

The Town Residence's were given the opportunity to ask questions and voice their opinions and concerns for the request on Apple Tree Lane. Also, there was a request made of the Town to look at a Game of Chance Law.

Motion to Adjourn made at 8:15 pm. Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Sandra D Reiling

Clerk of the Board

