

**TOWN OF WHITEHALL**  
**7 PM**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**TOWN HALL**  
**57 SKENESBOROUGH DRIVE**

**February 17, 2016**

**PRESENT:** George Armstrong – Supervisor  
John Rozell-Councilperson  
Stephanie Safka – Councilperson

**ABSENT:** David Hollister-Councilperson  
Farrell Prefontaine – Councilperson

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Town Clerk, Julie Millett; Town Highway Superintendent, Louis D. Pratt II; Heritage Director, Carol Greenough; Enforcement Officer, Vernon Scribner; Whitehall Times Reporter, Dan King; Rec. Leader, Julie Eagan and John Millett Jr.

Supervisor opened the board meeting with Pledge to the Flag and prayer.

**Motion** to approve the January 6, 2016 Organizational & January 20, 2016 minutes made by Councilperson Safka and seconded by Councilperson Rozell.

**ADOPTED**                   **Ayes 3 Armstrong, Rozell, Safka**  
**Nays 0**

**Heritage Report**- written report by Carol Greenough

**Rec. Report**-verbal report by Julie Eagan

Had a Valentine's Dance with 60 kids attending. We were closed on Monday for the holiday, but will be open the rest of the week 2 PM – 7PM for vacation week. Pee Wee Wrestling has started and is on Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM. Sign- ups for Youth League have begun already. We are getting some walls painted and at Christmas time we received a \$500 donation to help with the lunch program. NYS Dept. of Health came in and told us we had to seal up some wood in the kitchen. We received some new shelves and new storage.

**Dog Control Report**-written report by Nancy Quell

**Enforcement Officer Report-verbal report made by Vernon Scribner**

Had a complaint on Wade Road with the Amish putting things on the cemetery fence. He went out and talked to them, but can't see much that can be done because of the Right to Farm Law. He told them to pick up some and unless there is something written in the cemetery deed, he doesn't think much can be done.

**Town Clerk Report** -written report by Julie Millett

2016 Town Budget money has been turned over to the Supervisor. I will collect now for the county and return everything back to them on April 5, 2016 for final settlement. We have also put in for all the 2016 contracts and will have the checks back next week.

**Town Assessor Report**- written report by Bruce Caza

**Town Supervisor Report** – written report by George Armstrong

**Planning Board Report**- written report by Gregg Chappell

**Budget Officer Report & End of the Year Report by Joel Carpenter**

**Highway Report**- verbal report by Louis Pratt

Highway inventory reports have been submitted to the board.

Sealed bids for the truck were submitted to the Board. One was received by Ross and Louie also has two piggy back quotes that have also been submitted to the Board. Copies will be submitted with the minutes.

Ross Chevrolet Bid 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD \$33,288.00

Van Bortel Ford on Onondaga piggyback bid \$32,121.02

Van Bortel Chevrolet Chautauqua piggyback bid \$31,536.38

Louie would like to hear from the board. Do you want to go with someone local or with one of the piggyback options?

**Motion** to accept Ross's bid on the truck for \$33,288.00 and keep it local made by Councilperson Safka and seconded by Councilperson Rozell.

**ADOPTED**                    **Ayes 3 Armstrong, Rozell, Safka**  
**Nays 0**

**Motion** to accept all reports made by Councilperson Safka and seconded by Councilperson Rozell.

**ADOPTED**                    **Ayes 3 Armstrong, Rozell, Safka**  
**Nays 0**

We received a letter from Gregg Chappell, Planning board Secretary on passing a resolution from the county.

**RESOLUTION # 30 TITLE: Exemption of Matters of Local Concern from County Planning Review.**

**Motion** to approve the resolution made by Supervisor Armstrong and seconded by Councilperson Safka.

**ADOPTED**                    **Ayes 3 Armstrong, Rozell, Safka**  
**Nays 0**

**Resolution will be filed in the minutes and in the Resolution Book.**

Supervisor Armstrong read a response back from NYS Dept. of Transportation on the speed limit requests that were sent to them from the board. A copy of the letter will be filed with the minutes on their findings. Councilperson Rozell would like Supervisor Armstrong to discuss with the Washington County Sheriff's Office to see if better patrols can be done on these roads. We will need to get additional signage put up in some areas after we receive a final notice.

**Town Historian Annual Report for 2015 by Carol Senecal**

Copy will be filed with the minutes.

**Monthly Vouchers for Abstract # 2 of 2016**

General Fund V#16-2-1/20	\$	40,440.13
B Fund V#16-2-1	\$	5,555.00
SF Fire Fund V#16-2-1	\$	116,247.00
Highway Fund V#16-2-1/10	\$	28,195.20

**Motion** to pay the monthly vouchers made by Councilperson Safka and seconded by Councilperson Rozell.

**ADOPTED**                    **Ayes 3 Armstrong, Rozell, Safka**  
   **Nays 0**

Supervisor would like to make note that a gentlemen brought in a petition signed by many residents wanting a grocery store. The Village of Whitehall also received a copy and they passed it on to their Village of Whitehall Planning Board to discuss.

**Public Comments: None at this time**

**Motion** to adjourn meeting at 7:55 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Julie Millett**  
**Town Clerk**