

REGULAR MEETING
October 14, 2019

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The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of New Bremen, County of Lewis and the State of New York was held at the Town Municipal Office Building, 8420 State Rte. 812, New Bremen, New York on the 14th day of October 2019.

Town Officer's Present: Peter J. Keys, Supervisor
David L. Becker, Councilman
Joseph E. Aucter, Councilman
Casandra M. Buell, Councilwoman
Christopher R. Adams, Deputy Hwy. Superintendent
Elizabeth B. Jones, Clerk
Absent - Marcus Bush, Councilman

Attended by: John Young, Deputy DCO, Errol A. Aucter, Justice, Aimee L. Murphy, Justice and 6 other individuals

Supervisor Keys called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with the Pledge to the Flag.

**RESOLUTION NO. 103 OF 2019
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion of Councilman Becker, seconded by Councilwoman Buell, the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 4 Becker, Aucter, Buell, Keys Nays 0

RESOLVED, the minutes of the September 9th, 26th and 30th, 2019 meetings are approved.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing for the Preliminary Budget for 2020 was declared open at 6:03 p.m. with Proof of Publication in the Journal & Republican noted.

Supervisor Keys opened the floor for comments on the preliminary budget. Justice Aucter & Justice Murphy asked the Board to reconsider their 2% salary increase they requested. Judge Murphy read a memo from the Unified Court System that their office received after they submitted their budget request. It discussed additional work load and expense to the courts in 2020 due to changes/mandates in procedures and law. Councilwoman Buell stated she is willing to give a raise if it's warranted. Further discussion followed pertaining to the no bail mandate on arraignments. - will still have arraignments just no bail and possibly fewer arraignments. After further discussion, the following motion was presented.

Motion by Councilwoman Buell, seconded by Councilman Becker, to change line 17 – A1110.1 - Justices Personal Services to \$17,770.00 in the 2020 Budget.

Ayes 4 Becker, Aucter, Buell, Keys Nays 0

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

All questions/comments pertaining to the 2020 Preliminary Budget were addressed. Therefore, the public hearing was hereby closed at 7:22 p.m. by Supervisor Keys. After discussion, the following resolution was presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 104 OF 2019
ADOPTION OF THE 2020 BUDGET**

On a motion by Councilman Aucter, seconded by Councilwoman Buell, the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 4 Becker, Aucter, Buell, Keys Nays 0

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of New Bremen did meet at the time and place as advertised in the Journal & Republican, now therefore

(Regular Meeting of October 14, 2019 con't.)

6. Backhoe is ordered through Milton CAT and should arrive this week. Invoice is on tonight's abstract and will be submitted to CHIPS program for reimbursement.
7. Single-axle tandem will be back on the Beaver Falls plow run this winter. Pulling truck #35 and will be used as a backup. Newest tandem will be put on the longest plow run.
8. 1977 CAT Loader continues to have more and more issues.
9. Received a good response for part-time winter help - 8 (eight) applicants that Deputy Highway Superintendent Adams feels are qualified.
10. Asked the Board if possible to hire back the full/part-time man due to shortage of man power.

After discussion, the following motions were presented.

FULL/PART-TIME MAN

Motion by Councilman Becker, seconded by Councilman Aucter, that Deputy Highway Superintendent Adams is authorized to hire the full/part-time winter man to work at his discretion.

Ayes 4 Becker, Aucter, Buell, Keys

Nays 0

PART-TIME WINTER HELP

Motion by Supervisor Keys, seconded by Councilman Becker, approving all part-time winter help as recommended by Deputy Highway Superintendent Adams.

Ayes 4 Becker, Aucter, Buell, Keys

Nays 0

PLOW QUOTE FOR PICKUP

Deputy Highway Superintendent Adams received a quote of \$6,200.00 (state bid) from All Season's Power Equipment for a new plow for a F450 Pickup. No action at this time.

Discussed purchasing a new F450 pickup from Nick Nortz at Nortz & Virkler. Councilman Aucter spoke with Mr. Nortz and stated, if the Board orders now he could have by the beginning of the year. Supervisor Keys feels strongly about waiting until January to order after the Town collects our 2020 budget in property taxes. No action at this time.

**RESOLUTION NO. 109 OF 2019
JUSTICES MONTHLY REPORTS**

On a motion of Councilwoman Buell, seconded by Councilman Aucter, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Becker, Aucter, Buell, Keys

Nays 0

RESOLVED, the Justices monthly reports are approved as submitted.

SUPERVISOR

Supervisor Keys met with Thomas Piche of Carthage Savings and Loan (CSL), New York State Department of Financial Services Officers Yulitza Franklin and Ngozi Obi, regarding the application for the Banking Development District. Other municipalities etc. were also present. They are looking to take on local municipalities banking needs. CSL offers training programs at local schools for students for financial readiness. Discussed possibly changing Town banking to CSL, but not at this time, would like to see what they have to offer.

Supervisor Keys would like to purchase a new lap top to be used for Town purposes instead of using his personal one and has enough in the Supervisor Contractual Account to cover it. The Board is in favor of the purchase.

