

## Minutes

Town of Richford Board Meeting July 12, 2016

The regular Town of Richford Board Meeting was called to order at 7:27 p.m. by Supervisor Davis. Councilman Holcomb, Supervisor Davis, Councilman Herrick, Councilman Miller, Highway Superintendent Hunt, Attorney Canizio, and three townspeople were present.

We began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance led by William Stell.

### **Announcements and Proclamations:**

None

### **Public Comment:**

REAP – Mr. Harrington provided the following information:

- REAP has not been informed as to what proposals were accepted
- Per the USDA website 821 USDA Energy Applications Approved
- Working with Village of Candor to rehab their municipal building and preparing the presentation
- Richford Request was revoked

Minutes:

### **Review of Minutes:**

The minutes of the June 14, 2016 Town Board Meetings were presented.

The following corrections were asked to be made by the board:

- Page 2 correct word transportation
  - Remove fixed park bench
- Page 4 Correct Superintendent
- Page 5 update to correct dates

Councilman Herrick, seconded by Councilman Holcomb, made the motion to accept the June 12, 2016 Town Board Meetings minutes as amended. With 3 ayes, minutes are approved as amended.

Supervisors and Town Clerk Reports were presented.

### **Highway Superintendents report:**

- Working on Oiling and Stoning roads in town
- Crushed Gravel
- Patched Potholes
- Fixing and Maintaining Equipment

**Justice Report:**

Check for \$4759.00 was presented to the Board

**Dog Control Report:**

- No Report

**Code Enforcement Report:**

- No Report

**Town Planning Board report was presented.**

John Schwartz presented the following report:

- Town Newsletter being prepared and will go out this month
- Looking into other grants

**Friends of Rawley Park – FORP:**

- Would like to get signs for the intersection pointing to the park. Councilman Herrick will check with DOT.

**Abstract of Vouchers:**

Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Herrick, made a motion to pay the vouchers on Abstract #7. With 4 ayes, vouchers will be paid.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Highway Superintendent's Term:

**RESOLUTION: 7-1-2016**

**CHANGE THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT**

The following proposed local law, to be known as

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Local Law No. 1 of 2016 entitled A LOCAL LAW OF THE TOWN OF RICHFORD, TIOGA COUNTY, NEW YORK TO CHANGE THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT.

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Richford as follows:

Section 1. Term of Office of the Highway Superintendent of the Town of Richford

The term of office of the Highway Superintendent of the Town of Richford shall be four (4) years commencing with and continuing after the term to begin on January 1, 2018 and, thus, this local law shall

cover the outcome of the biennial election of November 8, 2016.

Section 2. This local law shall be subject to mandatory referendum pursuant to Section 23 of this state's Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with this state's Secretary of State, which filing shall await, and shall be conditioned upon, the outcome of the aforesaid mandatory referendum.

Section 4. The provisions of this local law, to the extent that they vary the provisions of Sections 20, 24 and/or 24-a of this state's Town Law, are expressly authorized within Section 10(1)(ii)(a)(1) and Section 23 of this state's Municipal Home Rule Law.

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Pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, it will be necessary to hold a public hearing upon this law.

WHEREAS, Supervisor Davis has introduced this local law for the Town of Richford, to be known as TOWN OF RICHFORD LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2016, a local law of the Town of Richford, Tioga County, New York, to change the term of the office of the Highway Superintendent; be it

RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held in relation to the proposed local law as set forth in the form of notice, hereinafter provided, at which hearing parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard, to be held at the Town Hall, 7 Bowery Lane, Richford, New York, on July 12, 2016 at 6:45 o'clock, p.m., Prevailing Time, and that notice of said meeting shall be published in the official newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Richford, Tioga County New York by the Town Clerk, at least five (5) days before such hearing and that such notice shall be in the following form:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE, that the Town Board of the Town of Richford will hold a public hearing at the Town Hall, 7 Bowery Lane, Richford, New York, on August 9, 2016 at 6:45 o'clock, p.m., on Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2016, to change the Term of office of the Highway Superintendent from two (2) years to Four (4) years, subject to mandatory referendum.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law will be available for examination at the office of the Clerk of the Town of Richford, at the Town Hall, 7 Bowery Lane, Richford, New York, during regular business hours, (Tuesday 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday 8- 11 a. m.) between the date of this notice and the date of the public hearing.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that all person interested and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard on said proposal at the time and place aforesaid.

Motion Made by Board Member: Councilman Herrick  
Seconded by Board Member: Councilman Holcomb

Roll Call: Councilman Holcomb, Supervisor Davis, Councilman Herrick  
Ayes: Board Member(s): 3  
Nays: Board Member(s): 0

DATED: July 13, 2016  
Velvet Lyke, Town of Richford Clerk

**EMS Service:**

Newark Valley has an agreement with Maine Ambulance Service. We have not heard from Maine or NV.

**Code Enforcement:**

Supervisor Davis stopped by to discuss the agreement. A meeting will be set up.

**Phone/Internet:**

Reduced by one line and wireless internet is set up. Set up a voice over system for the judge for faxing, etc.

**County Planning Board Volunteer:**

If you're interested in helping out the town please consider volunteering for Planning Board.

**Town Hall Security:**

Security System is up and running.

**New Business:**

**Salt Storage:**

Mike talked to DEC about our plan for salt storage. We have proposed a 10x28 building with hoop roof with a cost of approximately \$10,000. The money has to come out of the General Fund.

**Park Security:**

Camera has been purchased. Discussion was made about how to access the footage.

**Substitute Dog Control Officer:**

Ron Raab requested a substitute when he is on vacation. The Board would like to see a resume or meet the proposed substitute. This item is tabled until August.

**Substitute Book Keeper:**

RESOLUTION 7-2-2016

Let it Be Resolved

The Town Board of Richford appoints Doris Caskey to the position of Substitute Book keeper. During training Doris will volunteer her time and when working as the Book keeper the town will prorate the yearly pay of the Book keeper.

Roll Call: Councilman Holcomb, Supervisor Davis, Councilman Herrick, Councilman Miller

Ayes: Board Member(s): 3

Nays: Board Member(s): 0

Abstained: Board Member(s): 1

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**Aid to Highway Superintendent:**

Barb Keener has been working for Mike in the office. This item is tabled until August.

**Lawn Mower:**

Highway Department fixed the old one. Supervisor Davis asked all Board Members to keep an eye out for a new mower. The Town will consider buying a new one in October/November when they go on sale.

**LED Street Lights:**

Johnson Controls in Syracuse replaces the regular street lights with LED. They feel that this could save the town money. We are exploring the idea to work with Newark Valley, Village of NV, Berkshire and possibly Owego to do this project. By working together the set up fees would be lower.

**Welcome Sign Repairs:**

Councilman Herrick, seconded by Councilman Miller, made the motion to allow Bill Stell to purchase lumber and hardware to repair the Welcome to Richford signs up to a cost of \$100.00.

Councilman Herrick, seconded by Councilman Miller made a motion to adjourn. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9: 15p.m.

Velvet Lyke  
Town Clerk