

Town of Triangle
Regular Meeting
Thursday December 28, 2023

The year end meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Triangle was held at 7:00 PM at the Town of Triangle Town Offices, 2612 Liberty Street, Whitney Point, New York.

Order: 7:00 PM

Present: Supervisor Manasse, Councilmen Mesceda, Bennett, Rapp, Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop, Highway Superintendent McGowan and Deputy Clerk Burns.

Minutes: Motion by Councilman Mesceda accept the November 9, 2023 minutes with corrections to: line 15, “wil” to will, Line 18 “ot” to not, line 20 add one to “No will”, Line 30 change time to 7:47 PM, line 36 change time to 7:48 PM. Second by Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop. Vote: all ayes

Motion by Councilman Mesceda to accept the December 14, 2023 minutes as submitted. Second by Councilman Rapp. Vote: all ayes.

New Business: Supervisor Manasse reported that the New York State Consolidated Highway Incentive Program money has been received \$ 219,000.00.

Abstract: Motion by Councilman Mesceda to pay Abstract #13 in the amount to \$ 22,832.16. Second by Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop. Vote: all ayes. Councilman Rapp asked if the Abstract should be a roll call vote if it is spending money. Board discussed the legality and precedence of it has always been done this way.

Claims: # 449-452 in the General Fund \$11,888.72 and Highway Fund \$ 10,943.44

Unfinished Business: Supervisor Manasse and Highway Superintendent McGowan travelled to Bradco Supply in Towanda Pennsylvania to look at Graders. Highway Superintendent McGowan reviewed the four machines that fit the guidelines set forth: one sold, one is rusty, 2017 772 GP, all-wheel drive, with 5368 hours and 275 Horsepower is \$190,000. And the 2017 910 GP, all-wheel drive, has 5434 hours, 275 Horsepower and is \$ 190,000 with an additional 2018 672 GP, all wheel drive, 195 horsepower with 2080 hours for \$235,000, which Highway Superintendent McGowan did not consider within the price limits. Supervisor Manasse has negotiated with Bradco to reduce the price to \$225,000. Councilman Rapp wanted to know what the machine would be used for. Highway Superintendent McGowan states a Grader will be used on road projects: black top, cleaning out ditches and reprofiling roads. Councilman Rapp prefers the heavier machine and hydraulic controls over electronic controls. Councilman Mesceda wants to see the oil samples for the 2018. Highway Superintendent McGowan will request the oil sample. Councilman Mesceda wants to know from the Supervisor how we are paying for all the purchases decided upon for 2024. The board discussed options. Supervisor Manasse spoke with Doug Bergold, his surgeries will prevent him from accepting the position of Building Permits and Code Enforcement Officer. One candidate withdrew his application, time conflicts with the training.

New Business: Supervisor Manasse reports the property tax bills were picked up Tuesday December 26. Deputy Clerk Burns is stuffing envelopes to get them out by January 1 st.

Motion by Councilman Mesceda to adopt Resolution #31-2023 to authorize the Supervisor of the Town of Triangle to adjust the account balances of all funds to achieve a zero or positive balance, as per General Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Second by Councilman Bennett. Roll call vote: Supervisor Manasse aye, Councilman Mesceda aye, Councilman Rapp aye, Councilwoman Mesceda-Knoop aye, Councilman Bennett aye. Vote all ayes.

Supervisor Manasse thanked all for time and efforts on behalf of the Town.

Motion by Supervisor Manasse to adjourn this meeting to conduct an executive session pursuant to Section 105 paragraph F of Public Officers Law to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 7:50 PM. Second by Councilman Mesceda. Let the record show that the board returned from executive session at 8:12 PM and no decision was made.

Motion by Councilman Mesceda to adjourn this meeting at 8:15 PM

Sandra K Martin
Town Clerk