

Unadilla Town Board Meeting

Date: December 13, 2022

6:30 PM Audit of Bills

7:00 PM Open Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

Supervisor George DeNys called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

George DeNys, Supervisor, Absent
Ronald Reed, Deputy Supervisor
Terry Yoder, Town Clerk
Rodney Renwick, Absent
Donald Cole, Councilman
Jessica Grow, Councilwoman
Allen Anderson, Councilman
Beth Westfall, Attorney
Gary Schultes, Mt. Upton FD
Darlene Wong, Mt. Upton FD
Jeff Barber, Wells Bridge Water Assoc.
John Wells, Observer
Patrick Wilsey, Wells Bridge FD
Andrew Barber, Wells Bridge Water Assoc.
Daniel Mugford, Wells Bridge FD
Kirk McLaughlin, BOR
Steven Higbie, Wells Bridge Water Assoc.

November 1st Minutes

Councilman Allen Anderson made the motion to accept the November 1st minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Audit of Bills

General Total	\$ 18,603.23
Highway Outside Village	\$ 466.33
Highway Town wide	\$ 11,653.58
Riverside Sewer District	\$ 58.25
Wells Bridge Lighting	\$ 262.03
Riverside Lighting	\$ 133.86
Rockdale Lighting	\$ 23.59

Councilwoman Jessica Grow made the motion to accept and pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Councilman Allen Anderson and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Committee Reports

Highway

Highway Superintendent's Report

Snow and Ice plowed or salted 6 times

Tree work is ongoing

Green light law for municipalities

Signage upgrades

Street light out and reported near County 1A

Rodney's request for Budget transfers DA2665 (sale of surplus equipment) to DA230 (equipment reserve), sum \$65,487.50 from sale of 2009 Mack, surplus tractor, Misc. items

Inter fund transfer DA9950.0 \$74,000.00 Budgeted item

Councilwoman Jessica Grow made a motion to make the transfers. The motion was seconded by Supervisor George DeNys and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Finance

No discussion on Financial Report

Building

No Report except light bulbs above court bench need replacing.

Councilwoman Jessica Grow made the motion to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded by Councilman Don Cole and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Monthly Reports

Town Clerk's report was submitted with a check totaling \$278.90

Supervisors Monthly Report was submitted

Dog Control Officers Monthly Report was submitted

Assessors Report was submitted

Historian's Report was submitted

Councilwoman Jessica Cole made the motion to accept the monthly reports. The motion was seconded by Councilman Allen Anderson and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Old Business

Wells Bridge Fire Department -Truck

Patrick Wilsey, President of the Wells Bridge Fire Department, ask if the board has made a final decision on the funding of the Rescue Pickup. He has spoken with the Sidney Town Board and they were told that they could help with \$8,000 of the total package and the department has another \$8,000. The Town of Unadilla has already committed to

\$21,000 to offset the cost \$73,130. Using ARPA funds, the Town decided to add the additional \$36,130.00 so that Wells Bridge can purchase the Pickup.

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to approve another \$36,130.00 to add to the previously approved \$21,000 to the Wells Bridge Fire Department to purchase a 2023 4WD Chevy Silverado 2500HD Rescue Pickup with Tow Package. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

ARPA

Ideas list for ARPA Funds

Gradall Quote

Superintendent of Highways requested the board to approve going out for bids for a 2012 Gradall. He believes the one they have would cost too much to be brought up to its best running performance.

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to approve the request to go out for bids for a 2012 Gradall that will be opened at the February 14th board meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Don Cole and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Door Quote

A quote was provided by BR Johnson, LLC for \$5,249.88 to install entrance door. No discussion on quote at this time.

Hallway Doors Quote

Quotes were provided by Ed Frazier Construction and Steve Higbie Construction to construct doorways with new doors by the Court and Town Clerk's Office to prevent people from having access to the hallways for security reasons. Two quotes were given from each contractor for two different scenarios of how it should be built.

	Option A	Option B
Ed Frazier Construction	\$3,290	\$4,190
Steve Higbie Construction	\$3,000	\$4,600

Supervisor George DeNys made a motion to have a 3-minute recess to speak with the Bailiff for his opinion on what would work best during court night. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

After speaking with Bailiff, Jeremy Hilton, it was decided to go with Option A and not moving the conference room door, but adding an extension from the Clerk's Office and installing a new door.

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to award the bid to Steve Higbie Construction for \$3,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Don Cole and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

New Business

Approve Otsego County Resolution-ARPA Funds

Otsego County passed a resolution authorizing an expenditure of County ARPA funds for certain towns and villages throughout Otsego County. The Wells Bridge Water Association made a request to Otsego County to participate in the funding and the County authorized the payment of \$50,000 for the Wells Bridge Water Association.

Supervisor DeNys made a motion to accept the County's resolution, with the clarification that the Wells Bridge Water Association requested the funds and the Town of Unadilla did not object to that request. At the request of the County, the \$50,000 is being paid to the Town of Unadilla and the Town will pass those funds on to the Wells Bridge Water Association. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call: 5 ayes, 0 noes."

Wells Bridge Water District

Andrew Barber, president of Wells Bridge Water Works spoke about the future of the water works association. Recently they had a catastrophic water leak that left a third of the residents out of water for 48 hours. They must depend on volunteers to fix any leaks while providing their own equipment to do so, and it's not always easy as some have to take off work to help. Mr. Barber has been speaking with other towns officials who are taking over the water systems from hamlets within their town. Mr. Barber is very grateful to receive the money from the County's ARPA funds, but said that it is something that down the road, they hope both the Town and the Hamlet of Wells Bridge can work together to find a solution.

Correspondence

DOT-Availability of funding for Bridge NY Program

Privilege of the Floor

Gary Schultes of the Mt. Upton Fire Department submitted his annual Financial Report to the Board.

Adjournment

With no further discussion, Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry L Yoder, Town Clerk

Time of Adjournment: 7:52 PM