

REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN OF DAYTON  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020  
7:00 P.M.

- PRESENT: Angie Mardino-Miller, Supervisor, Bruce Drajem, Dennis Ackley, Paul Luce, Jake Hansen-Ivett Town Council, Ruth Bennett, Town Clerk, Tom Chupa, Highway Superintendent, John Grennell, Attorney, Lee Ellis, Baliff, Karen Strickland
- CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Mardino-Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All stood and said the Pledge to the Flag.
- Due to the Governor's executive order 202.1, we can allow a limited number of the public to attend our meeting this evening, hopefully by next month the COVID-19 is manageable enough that will have changed.
- MINUTES: Clerk Bennett gave each member of the Board a copy of the minutes to be read before the meeting. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Hansen-Ivett. A vote was taken on the motion, Carried.
- HIGHWAY: Highway Superintendent Chupa reported that they finished mowing roadsides, cut two large trees on Cabic Road that were leaning toward the power lines, we are almost done with blacktopping the roads that needed it, we nova chipped Jolls Road and regraded the dirt roads, also had to put new power steering pump on the ten wheeler.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Councilman Hansen-Ivett to go into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss employee issues.
- A motion was made by Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Luce to return from Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. no action was taken.
- CLERK: Clerk Bennett reported the Court received 9 Vehicle & Traffic payments and collected \$754.
- We have received the schedule from Southern Tier West for the fall webinars which start on September 9<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. and go thru December 2<sup>nd</sup> most of them are one hour each.
- The free rabies clinic is Saturday, July 11 from 9 a.m. to noon at the fairgrounds. It will be a drive thru clinic and you must stay in your vehicle and wear a face mask when interacting with staff.
- Received a thank you from the Village of South Dayton for the Town's donation to support their music in the park program.
- Also received the South Dayton Ambulance contract for continued ambulance protection.
- Received a notice of a Class Action lawsuit in regard to the opioid prescription litigation against Pharma. Attorney Grennell explained this to the Board and the Board decided to take no action on the claim.
- TRANSFERS: A motion was made by Councilman Ackley, seconded by Councilman Drajem to approve budget transfers of \$278 from A1355.4 to A1355.1 and \$165 from DA9050.8 to DA5130.4. A vote was taken on the motion, Carried.
- ASSESSOR: Eight property owners are being charged omitted tax for improvements on their properties that we discovered while collecting data for the 2020 reassessment. These improvements were not recorded on the 2019 assessment roll but should have been (they were either built without a permit or overlooked by previous assessors). The total taxable value of these improvements is 436,700, an additional \$7,012.74 will be collected through 2020-21 school tax bills, and an

additional \$8,359.05 will be collected through 2021 Town & County tax bills. These amounts will be used to lower your tax levy which will reduce your tax rates, helping your tax payers.

The 2020 roll year has been finalized as of July 1, 2020, these are the assessments that will be used for all 2020 taxes. Changes can no longer be made to the roll, and any complaints will need to go through the Cattaraugus County Department of Real Property Tax Services.

Dayton's equalization rate will continue to be 100% for the 2020 roll year.

Grievance Day was June 3, fifty-one properties (43 property owners) were reviewed by the BAR. All assessments that were changed as a result of a grievance determination have been added to our system. These should be reflected on the County's parcel search website and on the final roll for 2020.

The assessor's office is still open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We have started to hold hours in Dayton again on Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

We corresponded with several property owners about their assessments, tax bills, and exemptions. We added no property transfers for the month of June, these cannot be added until July 1<sup>st</sup>.

ATTORNEY: The attorney discussed a draft letter from the Town to Stephen Crisanti regarding ingress and egress to the German Markham Cemetery which is behind the former Markham school which is now owned by Mr. Crisanti. A motion was made by Councilman Hansen-Ivett, seconded by Councilman Ackley to send the letter to Mr. Crisanti. A vote was taken on the motion, Carried.

SUPERVISOR: Supervisor Angie Mardino-Miller asked for a motion to accept the contract with the South Dayton Ambulance to provide service to the Town. A motion was made by Councilman Luce, seconded by Councilman Drajem to approve the Ambulance Contract. A vote was taken on the motion, Carried.

Supervisor Mardino-Miller introduced Karen Strickland who asked the Board to be appointed to the Planning Board. A motion was made by Councilman Hansen-Ivett, seconded by Councilman Ackley to appoint Karen Strickland to the Dayton Planning Board. A vote was taken on the motion, Carried.

Councilman Hansen-Ivett remarked how much better it looks in the Hamlet of Dayton with those derelict houses gone.

BILLS: A motion was made by Councilman Drajem, seconded by Councilman Luce to pay General Funds claims #84-93 in the amount of \$3,537.47 as set forth in Abstract #7, dated July 8, 2020, Highway Fund claims #88-98, in the amount of \$67,168.33 as set forth in Abstract #7 dated July 8, 2020. A vote was taken on the motion, Carried

The Town Clerk and Supervisor reports for June, 2020 was received by the Board.

ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Luce, seconded by Councilman Drajem, at 7:47 p.m., Carried. The next meeting will be August 12, 2020 at 7 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Ruth Bennett, Town Clerk

