# TOWN OF CORINTH, TOWN BOARD MEETING

## **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** 

Eric Butler, Supervisor

Jeffrey Collura, Councilman Kiley Crooks Councilwoman Josh Halliday, Councilman

Shawn Eggleston, Highway Superintendent

Brenda Peris, Town Clerk

**EXCUSED:** Ed Byrnes, Councilman

Matt Fogarty, EMS Coordinator

Albert Brooks, Sr., Building/Code Officer

**PLEDGE:** 

**BILL-PAY:** 

## **ABSTRACT**

# **Abstracts for 01/26/2023**

Voucher A - 230044-230069

B -232034-232053

CM -237015-237029

DB -233010-233023

General Fund A \$ 23,937.24 General Fund/Outside Village – B \$ 10,956.16

Community Development Grant -CDGB \$

Highway/Part Town – DB \$ 86,704.19

Medical – CM \$ 15,577.83

Home improvement \$

Fire – SF \$ 513,313.00

SW Consolidated Water 220013 \$

**Sewer/Water** 

Eastern Avenue	\$
Tranquility	\$
Passarelli	\$
Dorset	\$
Corinth #5	\$
<b>Lighting</b>	
Eastern Avenue	\$
Eggleston Avenue	\$
South Corinth	\$

## TOTAL \$650,488.42

### **RESOLUTION #84**

To Approve Bill-Pay Abstract Totaling \$650,488.42 Dated 01/26/2023.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilwoman Crooks to Approve Bill-Pay Abstract Totaling \$650,488.42 Dated 01/26/2023.

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Excused 1

**Motion Passed** 

### **REPORTS:**

The following reports given to Board for review:

DEC Landfill Landfill Clerks

Fire Dept.

Assessment of Court fees

## MRS. BLOOMFIELD:

Presented a request to the board regarding a piece of land behind her parent's property on Rt 9N that is currently owned by the Town. A structure on the property built prior to their ownership sits on a small piece of Town Property. Mrs. Bloomfield is looking to sub-divide the property to sell. It is currently a mixed-use property which is causing it to not be bankable. Mrs.

Bloomfield is proposing a boundary line adjustment so the small piece of land approx. 1/16 of an acre could be added to the 9N property.

Prior to deciding, Supervisor Butler stated that they would need to look to see if the structure was permitted, a fair market value would need to be placed on that portion of land owned by the town, and it would require a 20 permissive referendum. The Town Board will do some research for direction and follow up at the next meeting with more information.

## **RESOLUTION #85**

To Increase the Milage Compensation from 62.5 to 65.5 Cents.

A Motion by Councilman Halliday and Seconded by Councilwoman Crooks to Increase the Milage Compensation from 62.5 to 65.5 Cents.

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Excused 1

**Motion Passed** 

# **BUILDING, PLANNING, ZONING DEPT. CODE PLOTTER/PRINTER:**

Asked for quotes from 3 companies---2 responded with quotes and 1 could not get the product so could not give a quote. Electronic Office Products was the most inexpensive at \$6595.00. They offer a lease to own option for 36Months at \$207.70. This would fit into the budget for 2023. Councilman Collura ---Ebay has the same product for \$2,000. Supervisor Butler----there are different levels of that model and Ebay would not include service or repairs.

### **RESOLUTION #86**

To Approve the Building/Code Department's Lease to Own Purchase of the Cannon Plotter/Printer from Electronic Office Products with a Payment of \$207.70 Per Month for 36 Months.

A Motion by Councilwoman Crooks and Seconded by Councilman Halliday to Approve the Building/Code Department's Lease to Own Purchase of the Cannon Plotter/Printer from Electronic Office Products with a Payment of \$207.70 Per Month for 36 Months.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Excused 1

**Motion Passed** 

## **SUPERVISOR:**

## \*Sent ROW to National Grid for Depot Power:

The Row has been signed and mailed to National Grid to move forward with the power at the Depot.

## \*PROPERTY MORGAN ESTATES/MR. BARBARA:

Mr. Barbara spoke to Supervisor Butler and wanted to know if the Town was interested in purchasing a small cemetery and piece of land on his property in Morgan Estates. A discussion was held regarding the property.

## \*Audits by Tom Bodden:

Tom Bodden is working on the year end audits for each department.

## \*Letter of Resignation Mark DeSimone

Supervisor Butler gave the board a copy of Mark DeSimone's letter of resignation from the EMS. He has received a promotion in Warren County. He offered to still work per diem if his schedule allowed.

## **TOWN CLERK:**

### **RESOLUTION #87**

To Appoint Nick Denno to the Board of Assessment Review from 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2027.

A Motion by Councilwoman Crooks and Seconded by Councilman Collura to Appoint Nick Denno to the Board of Assessment Review from 10/01/2022 to 09/30/2027.

Ayes 4

Nays 0

Excused 1

**Motion Passed** 

### **RESOLUTION #88**

## To Accept the Justice Court Audit from Tom Boden.

A Motion by Councilman Collura and Seconded by Councilman Halliday To Accept the Justice Court Audit from Tom Boden.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

Excused 1

**Motion Passed** 

#### **HIGHWAY:**

\*Busy the last couple of weeks

\*Plow is on the new pick-up and lettering is complete

\*Councilwoman Crooks asked if Superintendent Eggleston had received any more calls regarding the cutting of trees. Superintendent Eggleston stated that he was not getting as many but that due to storms the company cutting had not been out as often.

## HAL RAVEN/RAILROAD:

Hal gave a recap of the first year/season for the railroad. It was a great period. Continue to do maintenance on the rail. Cleaned culverts, keeping the beavers at bay, new batteries at some of the crossings, replacement of the 9N signal will be done soon, have had multiple FIA inspections---all good. Supervisor Butler asked how often the Weed Spray around the tracks needs to be done. Hal stated yearly but could hold off if possible.

Employed 15- many kids from the Corinth School, used local vendors for various events, \$5,000 in donations given back to the Corinth Community.

Approx. 15,000 passenger's road the train this season. No injuries or incidents. Property owners and community supportive of train. Had a wedding on board, school activities, car show, farmers market and other various events. Councilman Collura stated that he went to the car show, and it was a great event, glad to have Hal in the community and keep up the great work.

**Future Events:** 

Feb. 11—Valentine's Day Train

End of March---Snow Trains

**Easter Train** 

Memorial Day to October ---regular business. Ideas for Movies, farmers market, music festival, car show, D&H painted train, work with schools, kids, etc.

#### **PUBLIC:**

### Jennifer Michelle:

\*Public transit survey has had 300 responses---most have been positive feedback. Wanted to clarify that the service would not be a bus but rather a car that would pick up individuals upon request.

\*On Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> Jennifer will present Native Plant information to the Planning Board.

## **TOWN BOARD:**

## **Councilman Halliday:**

\*Was sledding with family and that school. Was told that hot chocolate and pizza was given out----it was put on by a local family. Good to see the community come together and wanted to thank the family.

### **Councilwoman Crooks:**

\*Feb. 11 Winter Festival planned. Will be held at the High School. Build a sled competition, Food, Hot chocolate, DJ, Snowman Making, etc. Rain/Snow Date March 4<sup>th</sup>.

\*Support the Corinth Healthy Coalition Earth Day Event in April.

### **Councilman Collura:**

\*Received a property tax question from a constituent as to why the taxes went up. How do we explain the increase but that we did not exceed the tax cap? Supervisor Butler explained that the value of the community decreased by \$63-million, so that causes revenue to decrease. This decrease in value was caused by the Indeck assessment change.

### **RESOLUTION #89**

To Adjourn to Executive Session with no Decision @6:55PM

A Motion by Councilman Collura and Seconded by Councilman Halliday To Adjourn to Executive Session with no Decision @6:55PM.

Ayes 4
Nays 0
Excused 1
Motion Passed

Respectfully Submitted by Brenda L Peris, Town Clerk