

PUBLIC HEARING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

November 6, 2019

A Public Hearing of the Town Board of Genoa, Cayuga County, State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 1000 Bartnick Road, Genoa NY on November 6, 2019

Present Lorie Sellen-Gross, Supervisor
 Cheryl Shields, Board Member
 Don Slocum, Board Member
 Brandon White, Board Member (absent)
 Chris Stout, Board Member (absent)
 Sue Moss, Clerk

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:00 pm by Supervisor Lorie Sellen-Gross with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to hear public comment on the 2020 Preliminary Budget.

Some Town business was discussed:

Meals on Wheels sent Lorie a letter requesting a contribution of \$600 for 2020. During 2019 they have delivered 1706 meals to 10 seniors.

RESOLUTION 96-2019 MEALS ON WHEELS CONTRIBUTION

On a motion of Board member Slocum, seconded by Board member Shields, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Shields, Slocum
 Nays 0

Resolved that request from Meals on Wheels for \$600 for 2020 be approved

ScatVan is requesting \$900 from the Town for 2020.

RESOLUTION 97-2019 SCAT VAN CONTRIBUTION

On a motion of Board member Slocum, seconded by Board member Shields, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Shields, Slocum
 Nays 0

Resolved that request from ScatVan for \$900 for 2020 be approved

The Central NY Regional Planning & Development Board informed Lorie that the Municipal Water Quality Improvement Grant Project is being delayed until January.

The NYS DOT finally responded to the Town's claim from a July 2018 incident. The Town reported that the DOT backhoe and operator damaged our waterline. After the DOT consulted with the field personnel, they determined that the crew followed standard operating procedures and did not show reckless disregard or ordinary negligence.

Zito will be raising their rates for the internet by \$2.75 starting in December. Zito will also start charging for sending a paper bill.

Lorie and Paul have spoken with Elizabeth Parmley, Regional Traffic Engineer at the NYS DOT and Beverly Bob, Empire State Development Project Engineer (Broadband) about their concerns with New Visions and the damage that is being done to our roadsides.

An email was received from GHA concerning the air quality and mold in the museum due to the old books, textiles and other items. They would like a professional test done. Shannon Armstrong has found someone she will interview for the job who is within a reasonable distance from the Town.

Grant Street Construction broke a water main at the bottom of West Hill. This area was located approximately 10 feet from the markings for the waterline that was done two years ago.

The Asbestos and Air Quality Monitoring Project has begun. The Project will cost up to \$5000 and will be paid from the grant. The tapping sleeve and valve work has begun and the final asbestos pipe removal will take place in the spring of 2020.

The Preliminary Budget was discussed. Lorie mentioned that local governments are permitted to carryover a percentage of the total property taxes levied for the previous year if it was less than the tax levy limit. This gives the Town approximately \$3000. Lorie suggested adding \$2000 to the Highway Bridges budget line and adding \$1000 to the Data Processing budget line as new computers are needed. In January, Microsoft will no longer provide security updates or support for Windows 7. The Board was in agreement. The Budget will be voted on at the November 13 meeting.

At this time (6:40 pm) the Board went into Executive Session to discuss an employment situation.

The Executive Session was closed at 7 p.m.

RESOLUTION 98-2019 **BOOKKEEPER LAPTOP PURCHASE**

On a motion of Board member Slocum, seconded by Board member Shields, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Shields, Slocum
Nays 0

Resolved that a request to purchase a Windows 10 laptop for the bookkeeper be approved

With no further business, on a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Slocum, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk