TOWN OF COLDSPRING

April 13th, 2023

**Present:**

Wendell Craig Anderson

Priscilla Anderson

Tina Hyde

Kirk Hayes

Dakota Skinner

John Bohall

Marilyn Bowley

Jason Steger

The Town of Coldspring Town Board Meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM by Supervisor Tina Hyde.

Minutes of the March 9th, 2023 meeting was presented to the town board to read and sign. The town clerk will place all individually signed copies with the original minutes. The minutes were approved by the board members as presented to them.

* Wendell Craig Anderson made a motion to accept them as amended
* Priscilla Anderson seconded
* All – yes.

Review of voucher totals from the previous month: General - $3,822.58 and Highway - $7,698.78

Old Business:

* Cty Rd 9 (Coldspring Rd) and flooding issues
  + County looking into a new bridge in 2023
* Dog Census is continuing
  + Letters were sent out on April 1st, 2023 by town clerk to register dogs by the end of the month or be subject to a ticket
  + Betty is continuing to finish roads and will give report to town clerk when finished
* Town’s 200th Birthday Celebration
  + Saturday June 24th, 2023
  + Meeting at the Fire Hall on April 17th to continue planning
  + Vendor Form made for anyone interested in having a vendor booth
  + Parade Form has been given out to local stations
  + Talk with EBC for Birthday can design
* ARPA Funds
  + Clerk software renewal fee to be taken out of the ARPA funds – all board members agree
  + Approval for new radios for the town trucks – board members approved purchase in previous months and radios are on order
  + Bridgett working on re-painting and updating the town signs
  + Possibilities for remaining funds
    - Magnets/balloons for the town celebration
    - Supervisor Laptop that would remain within the town for future supervisors to use instead of using their personal laptops
    - Generator as apart of our Hazardous Events Plan
    - Checking into the possibility of allocating funds to a reserve account to pay off future bills
* Fireman’s Exemption
  + Still need to decide if the town will adopt this and if it will be between 1-10%
  + Tabled for further discussion when all members are present
* Possibility of resolution and local law regarding ban on future construction of manure pits
  + Tabled for further discussion
  + Tina is waiting for information from the county/state
* Tax Assessor – Re-evaluation
  + Roxanne Aucoin met with the Town Board in a closed session on March 11th, 2023 to go over materials and information about the re-evaluation that is currently underway
  + Noticed were mailed out to residents of Town of Coldspring on April 13th, 2023
  + Marlene Niemann has agreed to do another term as a BAR Review member and is set to take new training
  + Grievance Day is Thursday May 25th, 2023 – Roxanne will post a public notice in the Post-Journal
* Concerns over intersection of 394 and Old Rt 17 when the bridge will be fixed.
  + Kirk reached out to the state representative and this topic is being placed on the docquet at their next meeting

New Business

* J-CAP Grant was approved and $14,500.35 was deposited into our account to fund the approved projects
  + Town has six months to complete the projects – at the end of the six months any remaining funds must be returned
  + Discussion about AC units installment – board had previous tabled this topic due to the extra monthly cost to run the AC unit
    - Marilyn and Jason presented the board with plans, units, prices, and medical reasoning for the units to be installed
    - Marilyn has one current quote for installation and will get two more including one unit vs two units cost – board members will review the quotes and approve units from there
  + Kirk Hayes has ordered the door to be installed in between the banquet hall and the courtroom to replace the broken slider. He has other supplies on order and will install doors when all materials are in
  + Marilyn presented an indoor drop box unit for increased security – Kirk reviewed the measurements of the unit and told Marilyn it would work and that she could move forward with placing the order for the unit she liked following those dimensions
  + Marilyn will order 3 new mini blinds to update the current blinds in the courtroom – when they are ordered and in they will be installed
* Resolution to Raise the Tax Cap for 2024
  + Public Notice will be put into the paper by town clerk
  + Public Hearing will be held at the next meeting May 11th, 2023
    - Priscilla Anderson made a motion to create a resolution to Raise the Tax Cap for 2024
    - Tina Hyde seconded the motion
    - All – yes.
* OSC deposited $400.00 into account on April 3rd, 2023, for tax assessor training from last year. Board Members agreed that money should be reimbursed to the assessor who paid the original cost.
* Interest on the new bank accounts that were moved to money market has totaled $2,560.14 in the last three months.
* Municipal Snow and Ice Agreement Update – the paperwork has been, filled out and received, the office at the state level is behind due to new employment and is working on it
  + Tina is going to double check the final payment amount from previous agreement to ensure the last payment has been received
* Code Enforcer Year End Report
  + Randall Brooks submitted to the state
  + Board reviewed report with no questions or concerns
* Received one case of 126 COVID test kits form the county to be made available in our town
* New service contract for Casella
  + Tina is going to call and discuss size of dumpster in relation to cost
  + Kirk believes we could downsize
* Changing internet service at the Town Garage to Armstrong Internet
  + Reviewed internet and phone agreement for the townhall and are in a three-year contract with Windstream
* Republican Caucus to be held on Thursday, June 1st 2023 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall
  + More information to come from Craig Anderson
* Approval of Bills
  + Priscilla Anderson made a motion to approve the bills
  + Wendell Craig Anderson seconded.
  + All – yes.

Mail:

* Town Finance Schools: May 8th – 9th in Geneva and May 15th – 16th in Albany
* Paradigm – Local Pipeline Response Training
* State Comptroller Weekly News
* RBT – New York’s Environmental Bond Act Progress to Date

Miscellaneous: None

Other Business: None

Next Meetings:

* Thursday May 11th, 2023 – Public Hearing
* Thursday June 8th, 2023
* **Thursday July 6th, 2023 –** first Thursday of the Month

Meeting called to close at 8:39pm.

* Motion made by John Bohall
* Seconded by Wendell Craig Anderson
* All – yes.

Dakota Skinner – Town Clerk

Approval by Board Members:

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Wendell Craig Anderson

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Tina Hyde

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John Bohall

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Priscilla Anderson