

The regular meeting of the Town Board was held at 7:30 p.m. on November 13, 2018 at the Genevieve Staley Civic Center.

Present were Supervisor Degear, Superintendent Cook, Clerk Marshall, Councilmen Coon, Barnes, Hathaway, and Jones.

Supervisor Degear began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Councilman Barnes, Seconded by Councilman Jones to accept the minutes. All in favor and carried.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

- Monthly written report was submitted and discussed.
- A busy, balanced month.
- School taxes are almost complete, just received information from the school that I needed to complete this year's school taxes.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- The Highway department has been busy plowing, winter seems to come early this year.
- The new truck is running well.
- NYSEG has been working, finishing up around the Village. They should complete the work in the Spring.
- More Law Enforcement is needed on Mill Street.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

- The monthly written report, statement, highway account balances, and line item balances were submitted and discussed.

PUBLIC HEARING BEGAN AT 7:40 P.M. ~ 2019 TOWN BUDGET

- Motion to open the Public Hearing by Councilman Barnes, seconded by Councilman Coon. All in favor and carried.
- No public present to speak.
- Motion to close the Public Hearing by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Hathaway. All in favor and carried. The motion was unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCES:

- Department of Transportation responded to the speed study on Crumb Hill Road #02180071/25.14 and on Mill Street #02180072/25.14. Department of Transportation will initiate the speed studies and upon completion will notify our office of the results.
- On October 10, 2018 the DeRuyter School Board voted to propose a Capital Project to the voters. Included are building updates and an overhaul of the athletic fields. Both projects are important to have done through a Capital Project as the district can receive/get reimbursed for the work. The reimbursement for both is 86.8%. A public meeting will be held on November 26, 2018. The vote for the project will be December 6, 2018.
- Dryden Town Supervisor sent a letter to all fellow Town Supervisors regarding the Dominion expansion. He would like all supervisors to consider signing an enclosed letter that will be sent to Governor Cuomo, as the Town of Dryden is on the forefront of the fight against fracking.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The Town Hall roof and elevator repairs are now complete.
- The Highway Garage roof is making slow process. The steel has been delivered, however the weather has not been cooperating with starting the project. This project will not be complete by November 14, 2018.
- The Highway Garage Internet and Phone Service is completely switched. Internet is working well, however phone calls are dropped and the voicemail is not working. The matter will be looked at to correct the problems.

TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION 65-2018
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OFFER OF REAL PROPERTY

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Coon, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Jones, to wit:

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the DeRuyter Town Board that the legal property boundary between the Town Highway facility and Thomas and Laurie Fowler does not follow the natural boundary of an existing drainage ditch resulting in the Town's use of approximately 0.169 acres of the Fowler's property for Town purposes, and

WHEREAS, the DeRuyter Town Board believes it is in the Town's best interest to purchase this approximate 0.169 acres and establish the legal boundary along the center of the drainage ditch.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of DeRuyter hereby authorizes extending a purchase offer to Thomas and Laurie Fowler for the purchase of the approximate 0.169 acres that is south of the existing drainage ditch for a sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| Edwin Coon | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Cedric Barnes | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Robert Hathaway | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Robert Jones | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Daniel Degear | Supervisor | Voted | Yes |

All in favor and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

**TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION 66-2018
APPROVING THE TOWN OF DERUYTER
OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019**

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Barnes, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Coon, to wit:

WHEREAS, the DeRuyter Town Board has met and considered the Preliminary Budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the DeRuyter Town Board, on November 13, 2018, conducted a public hearing as required by Town Law, Article 8, Section 108.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of DeRuyter hereby adopts the 2019 Preliminary Budget as the FINAL Budget of the Town of DeRuyter for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| Edwin Coon | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Cedric Barnes | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Robert Hathaway | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Robert Jones | Councilman | Voted | Yes |
| Daniel Degear | Supervisor | Voted | Yes |

All in favor and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Library has a new drop box, which is waterproof. The old drop box will be donated to the American Legion, for a used flag drop off.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Madison County Budget will have a 1.8 increase. The Town's equalization rate has dropped therefore the county taxes will be increased.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- No public present.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

- Motion made by Councilman Hathaway, seconded by Councilman Jones to accept the Supervisor's Statement. All in favor and carried.
- Motion made by Councilman Hathaway, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the payment of the following claims:

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| Abstract #20 | \$22,287.53 |
| Abstract #21 | \$91,148.96 |

All in favor and carried.

Motion made by Councilman Hathaway, seconded by Councilman Jones to adjourn the meeting.
All in favor and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Marshall, Town Clerk

