

SYRACUSE TOWN COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

March 20, 2018

Town Council Member Larry Siegel called the Regular Meeting of the Syracuse Town Council to order at 6:59 p.m. Other Council members present were Larry Martindale and Paul Stoelting. Town Attorney Vern Landis, Town Manager Henry DeJulia, and Clerk-Treasurer Paula Kehr-Wicker were also present. Town Council President Bill Musser and Vice President Tom Hoover were absent.

Larry Siegel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Larry Siegel asked for public comment on agenda items. There were none.

The minutes of the February 20, 2018, meeting was presented for approval. Paul Stoelting moved to approve the minutes; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Claims #'s 289 through 429 were presented for payment. Paul Stoelting moved to approve the claims; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Ordinance 2018-03, Additional Appropriation for the Economic Development Income Tax Fund, was presented. Paul Stoelting moved to approve the ordinance, Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

TOWN MANAGER

Henry DeJulia reported on the Wastewater Treatment Plant situation regarding the financing for repairs, Turkey Creek Regional Sewer District, and upcoming rate study.

Henry informed the council that the Syracuse Board of Zoning has dismissed the Cell Tower application due to no one showing up to defend it.

The Town Video is almost complete.

Henry has asked the company of Lawson Fisher to provide a proposal on a study for the Dam repairs.

The cost to have an engineer look at that Turkey Regional Sewer District contract and the plant will be approximately \$5,000.

POLICE

Police Chief Jim Layne asked the council if they had any questions on his report. There were none. There were no ADA complaints.

PARK

Park Superintendent, Chad Jonsson, reported that the Flashlight Hunt will be on Friday the 23rd. The 24th will be the standard egg Hunt at 10:30am. Long Drive will be closed in front of the Community Center for the event. There will be two "Princess Parties" on Saturday, April 14th. On Saturday, April 21st there will be a Community Planting Day at Laudeman Park.

Chad also reported that the new restrooms at the pavilion are starting to be built and should be finished by Memorial Day Weekend.

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Superintendent, Rob Merchant, asked if there were any questions on his report. There were none. Rob reported on the high water flows due to the rain. He stated that Turkey Creek Regional Sewer District had the highest flow coming in.

Rob presented a purchase request to replace the heating and air conditioning systems in the main Public Works Building. He would like to have Bill's Heating do the work for no more than \$15,720.00 and to be finished within 90 days. Paul Stoelting moved to approve the purchase, Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

Rob reported that Dutchman RV is hooking up two buildings to water and wastewater. He is still working on getting numerous businesses in compliance with backflow prevention. He stated that the Plikerd property installed an illegal geothermal well for potable water. Rob gave them 30 days to disconnect the well and hook up to another existing water line and include backflow prevention on both lines.

Rob presented a quote from SCADATA for a warning system. The cost is for \$107,898 and is included with the aeration project. This would be paid to SCADATA rather than Kokosing. Rob informed the council that Inframark suggested that we have SCADATA install their warning system to all lift stations, which would cost an extra \$94,840.00. Rob will get more information on this and bring it up at the next meeting.

FIRE TERRITORY

Mickey Scott announced that the warning sirens are being tested. He would like to thank Larry Martindale and Tom Hoover for going to the Insurance Services Organization in Warsaw, and again to Larry Martindale for being at the Rail Car Incident Response training. He also thanked Chad for allowing the use of the community center.

CLERK

Clerk-Treasurer, Paula Kehr-Wicker, had nothing to report.

TOWN ATTORNEY

Town Attorney, Vern Landis, had nothing to report.

DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR

Sharon Fowler spoke on the nationwide problem with school shootings and wanted to know if there was a plan in place with our Police Department. Jim answered that they do and are capable and prepared. Sharon also stated that she would like to see more code enforcement on properties.

OLD BUSINESS

There was nothing to report.

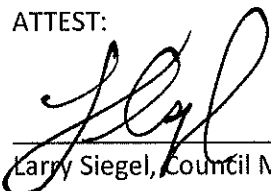
NEW BUSINESS

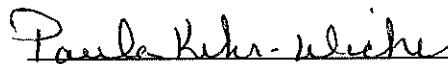
There was nothing to report.

Paul Stoelting moved to adjourn; Larry Martindale seconded. Three voted for the motion; none against. The motion carried.

The Syracuse Town Council adjourned at 7:28 pm.

ATTEST:


Larry Siegel, Council Member


Paula Kehr-Wicker, Clerk-Treasurer