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MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilwoman Kardash
Councilman Scott
Councilman Scouten
Supervisor Entwistle

MEMBERS ABSENT

Councilman Rockhill

Tracy Northrop, Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:32.

ABSTRACTS

GENERAL:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scouten to pay Abstract #2, Vouchers #54-#129 in the amount of \$33,682.14. Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scott-yes
Councilman Scouten -yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

HIGHWAY:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scott to pay Abstract #2, vouchers #55-#129 in the amount of \$27,875.84. Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash -yes
Councilman Scott-yes
Councilman Scouten-yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

PLANNING BOARD ESCROW:

A motion was made by Councilman Scouten and seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to pay Abstract #2, vouchers #4-#5 in the amount of \$100.00. Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes
Councilman Scott-yes
Councilman Scouten-yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

TOWN CLERK MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Scott and seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to accept the minutes from the:

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Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-abstain

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

JUSTICE REPORT:

HIGHWAY:

PLANNING REPORT:

CODES:

ASSESSOR:

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT:

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scott to approve the reports as a whole. Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

Councilwoman Kardash asked if the Board can request a monthly report from the Code Enforcement Officer, Lance Hoffert, Supervisor Entwistle stated they could.

NOCCOG:

- Nothing this month.

OLD BUSINESS BOARD:

- Building Permits on Minimum Maintenance Roads: Supervisor Entwistle stated Town of Forestport's Seasonal roads are actually Minimum Maintenance Roads. The Board would like to have the change on paper. Andrew Croniser, from the Gallery asked if everything would remain the same as it is now regarding the roads. Supervisor Entwistle stated it would stay the same, only the classification will change.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scott to schedule a Public Hearing regarding Minimum Maintenance roads April 17th at 6:15pm. Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

Supervisor Entwistle stated he would probably leave the Public Hearing open for 30 days.

- **Lauducci Variance:** The Lauducci Public Hearing was left open. Mr. Lauducci stated this camp was built in the 50's and has been in the family for 50 years. He's requesting the variance because he and his wife are hoping to move here permanently and would need a two stall garage during the winter months. He would like to convert the garage from a one stall garage to a two stall garage and he would sign a waiver stating the Town wouldn't be liable if damage from the Snow plow affected the garage. Supervisor Entwistle read a letter aloud from William Gardner, the Highway Superintendent, stating he does not approve the variance. Supervisor Entwistle also stated the Town Attorney doesn't recommend granting the variance.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scott to deny Mr. Lauducci's variance under the Town Attorney and Highway Superintendent's advisement and for the encroachment. Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

Councilman Scott stated he denied for the advice of the Town Attorney and the Highway Superintendent but didn't believe there would be an issue.

- **Youth Ski Trip:** There were 19 kids in attendance for this ski trip. Supervisor Entwistle thanked Tracy Northrop, Tyler Terry, Laura Wawarzniak, Jill Lee, Becky Pisani and Nancy Kardash for helping with the Youth Ski Trip. Councilwoman Kardash thanked Supervisor Entwistle for all his hard work in organizing the ski trips. Supervisor Entwistle read a letter aloud from Tyler Terry thanking the Board and Supervisor Entwistle for providing the children of Forestport an opportunity to Ski.
- **Soccer trip:** Supervisor Entwistle reminded everyone the Soccer trip is scheduled for March 31st and there are several spots left.

- Bear Creek Lodge roads: Supervisor Entwistle is currently working with the Board of Trustees in Bear Creek Lodge. He is waiting for an answer from the Town Attorney, regarding who owns the roads.

NEW BUSINESS BOARD:

- Highway Contract: Supervisor Entwistle reached out to Roy Kotary regarding the highway contracts.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scouten to approve contracting with Roy Kotary to negotiate the Highway Contract. Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

- Payroll Service: The Town is currently using ADP, but the customer Service is less than 100%. Supervisor Entwistle has a meeting set up in a couple weeks with Heartland Payroll. After he meets with them, he is going to introduce them to Dawn.

- BAR Re-appointment:

A motion was made by Councilman Scouten and seconded by Councilman Scott to approve Mr. Sweeney for another 5 year term to the Board of Assessment review. Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

- Kevin Asaro: Mr. Asaro presented the Town Clerk with an intent for a liquor license. This will be tabled until next month.
- There are two studies that are being done through ADK regarding road salt on the environment.

A motion was made by Councilman Scouten and seconded by Councilman Scott to approve the Memorandum of Understanding regarding road salt usage in the Adirondacks. Roll Call Vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes

Councilman Scott-yes

Councilman Scouten-yes

Supervisor Entwistle-yes

- Annual financial report: This has been completed. There has been a substantial

savings in the General budget and in the savings account.

- Lease agreement: Supervisor Entwistle went over the Forestport Athletic Association's Lease agreement. A motion was made by Councilman Scott and Seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to accept the Forestport Athletic Associations Lease agreement. Roll Call Vote:
 - Councilwoman Kardash-yes
 - Councilman Scott-yes
 - Councilman Scouten-yes
 - Supervisor Entwistle-yes
- Cuomo is proposing to cap the Budget for 2019 at 2% permanently. Supervisor Entwistle reached out to Griffo and Blankenbush. Cuomo proposed to eliminate AIM , which currently gives the Town of Forestport \$6,800 a year. Cuomo has decided instead of cutting AIM, he is starting an internet commerce tax.
- Otter Lake Fire department: Jeff Abrial has submitted the Fire Department's cancer invoice, which has already been approved and they can expect the check in a couple of weeks.

OLD BUSINESS PUBLIC:

NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC:

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Councilman Scouten to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilwoman Kardash-yes
Councilman Scott-yes
Councilman Scouten-yes
Supervisor Entwistle-yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm by Supervisor Entwistle.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy M. Northrop
Forestport Town Clerk