

February 2, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Franklin Town Board was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Supervisor Jeff Taggart. Present were Garret Sitts, David Grant, Donnie Smith, Dwight Bruno, Paul Warner, Mark Laing and Jeff Taggart. Also present were Jamie Archibald, Bill Degenhardt, Bob Miller, Mike Wallace, Tony Breuer, R.A. Cairns, Bill Young, Louise Corsover, Betty Fischer, Don Hebbard, John Alessi, Liz Serrao, and Tim Robinson.

The minutes were read from January 5, 2016 meeting. Garret Sitts made a motion to accept the minutes as read. David Grant seconded the motion and all agreed.

Jeff called the county regarding becoming an Intervener for the NED project. The County is filing on behalf of the five towns and the cost will be split five ways.

Garret Sitts made the motion to nominate Dwight Bruno for the board of the Kellogg-Franklin Trust. David Grant seconded the motion and all agreed.

There is a potential buyer for the Kellogg School building. The buyer would like to lease the adjoining 16 acres for two- four week sessions. There will be about 200 girls and 60 staff members for each session. There is concern that the water supply would not be able to handle the additional use. There is also concern about the septic system. What was Judge Kellogg's initial intent for the property? Is this a viable option?

Planning Board met in January and the BMB Land Trust has been done.

Mark Laing reported that the internet sale had just completed.

Truck	\$8100.00	Radiator	\$408.98
Plow	985.00	2 Fuel Tanks	149.00
Tailgate	129.00	Rims	130.00
2 Doors	2650.00	2 Hubs	10.00
Hood	102.49	Total	\$12,660.47

Motion to approve the sale was made by David Grant. Donnie Smith seconded it and all agreed.

Mark stated that they need three more garage doors replaced. He has received three bids for them.

Action	\$3,596.00 each
Oneonta Garage Door	3,875.00 each
Jack Hayes Door	5400.00 each

Garret Sitts made a motion to use Action Garage Doors to replace three doors if the R-Value is equivalent to the other two bids. David Grant seconded the motion and all agreed.

Mark reported that DEC inspected the gravel bank. They need to rent a dozer to do reclamation work. Mark has two bids from Abele @ \$1870.00 per week and Bisler for \$2000.00 per week. The Bisler bid includes trucking charge. Garret made a motion to go with Bisler. David seconded the motion and all agreed.

There is a tentative Road Use Agreement ready. Mark is going to ride around with Allen to determine if more roads will be used than they originally agreed to.

Can we pre-pay for fuel next year? Will open bids for this.

The county has passed a 2% Bed Tax on B&B lodging to help pay for Tourism Advertising.

Senator Seward is looking into naming part of State Highway 357 in honor of Nicholas Uzenski.

Bob Miller is concerned about food and energy security. He is also filing a lawsuit against Tennessee regarding falling real estate prices with-in the "kill zone".

Our current Health Officer has moved out of the area. Jeff will contact Gregg Kujawski to see if he would be interested.

Mark Miller will shovel the front and back sidewalks at the Clerk's Office.

Dawn Ritz will call the Daily Star to see if they will give the Town Historian a free copy of the paper.

There were concerns expressed over the activities related to the pipeline without proper signage. Will residents be informed if there will be blasting done? Will there be air quality testing and pre-testing done before work starts?

Don Hebbard gave the Town a copy of a hand-out regarding air quality. Would like to see the Town do air quality pre-testing.

Mike Wallace still has questions about getting cell service in Treadwell.

With no other business to come before the Board, David Grant made a motion to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Garret Sitts seconded the motion and all agreed.