

HOPEWELL TOWN BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 7:00 PM

The regular scheduled Town Board Meeting for the Town of Hopewell was held on Wednesday evening, September 2, 2020 at 6:57PM with Supervisor Ted Bateman presiding.

Present:	Supervisor	Ted Bateman
	Council Member	Matt Goodman
	Council Member	Adam Sanford
Necessarily Absent	Council Member	Jeff Trickey
	Council Member	Erin Everson

Others Present: Tom Geer, Highway Superintendent Matt Curran, and Town Clerk Denise Hood

A motion was made by Council Member Goodman, seconded by Council Member Sanford to approve the Minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting of August 19, 2020.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 4 Nays 0

Privilege of the Floor

No one spoke for Privilege of the Floor

6:59PM- Council Member Jeff Trickey enters

Communications

The following communications were received since the last meeting:

a) Cornell Cooperative Extension-Inside Dirt-September 2020

Old Business

a. Discussion-Road Striping

Highway Superintendent Matt Curran stated there are 36 miles of roads that require striping and the cost would be around \$20,000. The roads that won't be getting striped are Lincoln Hill Road, Straw Road, Gehan Road, Depot Road, and Pinetree Drive, since these roads have very little traffic. The roads that will be getting just the center line painted are Kearney Road, Yautzy Road, Mumby Road, Recreation Drive, Malone Road, Swamp Road, Stoddard Road and Shekell Road. Conversation ensued. The breakdown of the cost is \$324.90/mile for the center line and \$190.90/mile for the white stripe. Road striping is done annually. Supervisor Bateman indicated the money comes out of the General Fund for the Road Striping. The Town Board agreed to give Highway Superintendent Matt Curran the "Go Ahead" to get the striping of the roads completed.

b. CEO search-update

Council Member Goodman stated the committee (Council Member Trickey, Council Member Goodman and Supervisor Bateman) has interviewed 4 individuals for the position of Code Enforcement Officer. There is one more interview following the Town Board Meeting this evening. Presently, there are 2 strong candidates for the position. The committee is hoping to make a decision for the next step of the interviewing process tonight. Council Member Trickey stated they are trying to find the right person that has good temperament which can work with people and grow the Town of Hopewell. Supervisor Bateman indicated Code Enforcement Officer Jerry Hoover has been very helpful and his efforts are appreciated.

Updates by Town Officials

Town Clerk-Denise Hood

I have been getting things in place for the upcoming Special Election, being held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. The letters were sent out in the mail yesterday to the citizens whom live in Hopewell Water District #4 and Hopewell Water District #6. There will be a Notice in the Daily Messenger in tonight's paper for each of those Water Districts.

On Tuesday, September 8, I will be taking the Notary exam.

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Highway Superintendent-Matt Curran

Highway Superintendent Matt Curran stated the Highway Department has been cutting down trees on Taylor Road, Pettit Road, and Depot. All that is left is to grind stumps.

Town Supervisor-Ted Bateman

Supervisor Bateman indicated Mary Beth Bramen has been helping out a great deal for Jerry Hoover, so he can stay on the road to do inspections.

Supervisor Bateman stated that we, as a Town, are "Holding the Line" rather well. Also mentioned there will be cameras installed, because there are people putting their trash in the metal area.

Supervisor Bateman mentioned John Dhondt is moving to Tennessee. Dhondt will be missed.

Privilege of Floor

Tom Geer was happy to hear the letter for the Special Election has been mailed out to the land/home owners of Water District #4 and Water District #6 for the Special Election. He also, stated he was glad to hear the roads are getting striped.

A motion was made by Council Member Goodman, seconded by Council Member Trickey to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted, *Denise L Hood - Town Clerk, September 5, 2020*

Next Meeting: September 16, 2020 at 7:00PM