

Town of Corning Regular Board Meeting
February 15, 2022 7:00PM
20 S. Maple St. Corning, NY 14830

Supervisor Feehan called the meeting to order.

All members were present. Others present: Water Superintendent Ken Fields, County Representative Carol Ferratella, Village Trustee Jamie Cooney, Highway Superintendent Glen Rose and Ruth Plaisted from East Corning.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Resolution # 12 of 2022 was approved on a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All were in favor and the motion carried. The Resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, James Jones was hired by the Town of Corning in December of 2011 with his job title Motor Equipment Operator (MEO); and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2018 Jones sustained a work related injury to his right and left shoulder (reference Guthrie Occupational Medicine report dated May 28th,2020) and

WHEREAS, Jones has been absent from his Town Employment for a cumulative period of more than one year by reason of disability resulting from his occupational injury;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that James Jones 's employment with the Town of Corning, Steuben County, New York, is terminated effective immediately upon adoption of this Resolution.

The January Abstract was approved on a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Brenning. All in favor. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from the January 18th Board Meeting. Councilman Sammis seconded and all were in favor. Carried.

The Town Clerks report was approved on a motion made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, carried.

The Building & Grounds and Water reports were approved on a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. The motion carried.

Councilman Sammis made the motion to approve the January Highway report. Councilwoman Mullen seconded and all were in favor. Motion carried.

The motion approving the Supervisor to obtain a proposal from the Centers for Governmental Research for a possible consolidation study was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. Funds were set aside last year for such study but was never done. This study will seek information regarding the consolidation or both adjoining Villages (South Corning and Riverside) or one of them or neither. If neither of the Villages wishes to participate then it will end there. This study will indicate where services are being duplicated and where tax dollars can be saved.

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Councilwoman Mullen presented her playground proposal to the Board. She has been researching equipment costs, locations, and maintenance issues. She will reach out to the Davenport Association for input on equipment for their playground. The Shawn Lane Memorial Park will get an update, and she is looking for sites in the Pinewood and South Corning areas. The Rotary Club and Boy Scouts may wish to donate their time for installation. Next years budget should include maintenance costs for the playgrounds. This item will be placed on the March agenda for a "not to exceed" cost of \$125,000. 00.

Carol Ferratella informed the board of the new Veterans Services Director at the County. His name is Gary Smith, he is a retired Army Vet.

Eric Rose has taken over for Vince Spagnoletti, who recently retired, for the Public Works Department.

Ken would like to bid on 50 chairs that are on the Auctions International site for our Court room. Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to bid no more than \$300.00 for the chairs. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Ruth Plaisted reminded the Board that the Parking lot is need of repair. Highway Superintendent Rose said he will get to it when the weather cooperates.

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to adjourn at 8:00PM. Councilman Fiscus seconded. All in favor, the motion carried.

These Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Edwards
Town Clerk