

The Seneca Falls Town Board held a Year-End Meeting on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 130 Ovid Street.

Present were Supervisor Michael Ferrara and Councilmen Steven Churchill and Douglas Avery. Also present was Police Chief Stuart Peenstra.

Supervisor Ferrara called the Year-End Meeting to order at 12:00 Noon. A roll call of Board Members was taken and Councilpersons Dyson and DeLelys were absent from the Meeting; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

New Business:

Police – Budget Modification Request: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve the following Budget modifications, transferring \$34,000 from cash on hand to the following Personnel lines:

A3120.100 – Chief                      A3120.111 – Lieutenant  
A3120.101 – Sergeants              A3120.102 – Investigator #1  
A3120.110 – Investigator #2      A3120.103 – Full Time Police Officer

The transfer of funds will cover unforeseen costs associated with the Town Board's decision to pay hazardous duty wages during unusual working conditions presented during the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic.

No questions. Motion carried 3 ayes, 0 naves.

Resolution – Purchase Two Patrol Vehicles: A motion was made by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Police Department seeks approval from the Town Board to authorize Enterprise Fleet Management to factory order two 2021 budget approved vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the two marked vehicles will replace two current marked units that have met their recommended life expectancy and are suggested by Enterprise Fleet Management to bring the most cost-effective return once approved for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the agreement between Enterprise and the Town of Seneca Falls will be a lease of these two vehicles and does not require initial vehicle payment until the vehicles are received. Once ordered from the Ford factory, the estimated arrival for these vehicles is ten months.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Police Department sign an agreement with Enterprise to order two marked 2021 Ford Police utility vehicles to replace two aging patrol vehicles currently in the fleet.

Chief Peenstra stated that the reason for this is to get ahead of the massive curve that happens in January when municipalities ask for approval. He said last year, Ford shut down, cancelling orders, and they currently have one 2020 vehicle that was ordered last December that is still not here yet.

Mr. Churchill proposed that this be tabled until Tuesday's Meeting. He thinks an expenditure of this size should be in a public meeting with the public present. He also thinks that every Board Member should have the opportunity to vote on. Mr. Churchill said he discussed it with the Chief who said it isn't time critical. He doesn't think 2-3 days is going to make a difference.

A motion was made to table action on the above resolution to order two Police vehicles until the January 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting by Steve Churchill and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 3 ayes, 0 naves.

Approve Change Order #9 – Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project: A motion was made approving Change Order #9 relative to the Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Churchill asked if this is the relining of the sewers; Mr. Ferrara replied yes. Mr. Churchill said which is essentially wrapped up; Mr. Ferrara said that's correct. Mr. Churchill noted Change Order #9 looks like a credit.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve Change Order #9 was carried 3 ayes, 0 naves.

Approve Payment Estimate #10 – Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project: A motion was made to approve payment of Estimate #10 relative to the Sanitary Sewer Rehab Project in the amount of \$2,967.00 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Steve Churchill. No questions. Motion carried 3 ayes, 0 naves.

Open RFP – Engineering Services: The following RFPs for Engineering Services were opened by Mr. Ferrara:

Hunt Engineers  
C2AE Engineering

Barton & Loguidice  
CHA Engineering  
MRB Group

Open RFP – Labor Counsel Services: The following RFPs for Labor Counsel Services were opened by Mr. Ferrara:

Bond Schoeneck & King  
Roemer Wallens Gold & Mineaux LLP

Mr. Ferrara gave a copy of each proposal to Mr. Avery and Mr. Churchill and requested that they review them and do a comparison. Mr. Churchill asked if a decision will be made on Tuesday; Mr. Ferrara replied no – he didn't think it was possible. Mr. Churchill suggested that a template or spreadsheet be made of the things the Board is looking at. Mr. Ferrara asked if Mr. Churchill was going to do the template; Mr. Churchill replied he would. Discussion followed.

Payment of Bills:

A motion was made by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara to approve and order paid the following bills:

General Fund - \$264,871.35 (Abstract #13)	Recreation Fund - \$32,994.37 (Abstract #13)
Miscellaneous Fund - \$29,074.74 (Abstract #13)	Vince's Park Fund - \$982.53 (Abstract #13)
Highway Fund - \$84,280.33 (Abstract #13)	Sewer Fund - \$153,625.23 (Abstract #13)
Water Fund - \$75,452.64 (Abstract #13)	

No questions. Motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Being there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the Meeting by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

NICALETTA J. GREER  
Town Clerk