

November 14, 2019

The Special meeting of the Tyre Town Board was held Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tyre Municipal Building, 1082 Gravel Road, Seneca Falls, NY 13148, in the Town of Tyre.

Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of silence for the passing of Councilman Aceto’s mother – thoughts and prayers are with him and his family at this time.

Roll Call: Supervisor Ronald McGreevy – here; Councilman Reginald Aceto – absent; Councilman James Rogers – here; Councilman Kenneth Sutterby – here; Councilman Thomas Thomson – here

Others Present: Administrative Assistant Karen Birch; Bookkeeper Michael Gross; Town Assessor Philip Griswold; ZEO Craig Reynolds; Melissa Sutterby; Mark Travis; Henry Bickel; David Page; Laurie Loncosky; Robert Fasano; Lisa Fasano; Lawrence Skinner; Kaden Bickel

Supervisor McGreevy – have had roll call – quorum present – meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor McGreevy introduced Mr. Charles Shaffer, Esq., representing the Town of Tyre

Scheduled Speakers: None

New Business:

Resolution to Adopt 2020 Town of Tyre Preliminary Budget as the 2020 Town of Tyre Final Budget

Motion made by Councilman Rogers and seconded by Councilman Sutterby. Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Aceto				X
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution to Adopt the 2020 Town of Tyre Water District No. 1 Preliminary Budget as the 2020 Town of Tyre Water District No. 1 Final Budget

Motion made by Councilman Thomson and seconded by Councilman Sutterby. Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Thomson	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Aceto				X
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution to Adopt the 2020 Town of Tyre Water District No. 2 Preliminary Budget as the 2020 Town of Tyre Water District No. 2 Final Budget

Motion made by Councilman Rogers and seconded by Councilman Sutterby. Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Supervisor McGreevy	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Aceto				X
Councilman Thomson	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution to Adopt the 2020 Town of Tyre Fire District Preliminary Budget as the 2020 Town of Tyre Fire District Final Budget

Discussion: Attorney Shaffer commented that a public hearing was held last week and no public comments were made regarding this item. Councilman Sutterby informed the Tyre Town Board of some concerns that he has and that the Board should consider those concerns before entering into a contract with the Magee Fire Department. These concerns were brought to Mr. Page's (President of Magee Fire Department) attention and he is here this evening to answer any concerns/questions.

Attorney Shaffer asked Mr. Page if he had the opportunity to review the contract that was proposed between Magee Fire Department and the Town of Tyre – Mr. Page responded no he

had not. Supervisor McGreevy responded that it is the same exact contract used in previous years except one piece was removed and that is that the Town of Tyre no longer needs to rent the meeting room at the Fire Department Building. Attorney Shaffer asked if Mr. Page has any knowledge that the Magee Fire Department will not be able to fulfill the 2020 contract with the Town of Tyre. Mr. Page responded no that he has no knowledge of any reason why they could not. Attorney Shaffer asked Mr. Page if Magee Fire Department has any knowledge or difficulty in meeting its financial obligations. Mr. Page answered this question - No. Attorney Shaffer asked Mr. Page if the Magee Fire Department Corporation will remain in existence. Mr. Paige responded – Yes. Attorney Shaffer asked if Magee Fire Department is able to answer fire calls with sufficient equipment or sufficient personnel. Mr. Paige responded – yes with sufficient equipment but unsure of personnel due to this fire department being a volunteer fire department. If there is not enough personnel to respond to a call then Magee Fire Department has mutual aid with Junius, Clyde, Seneca Falls, and Waterloo Fire Departments. Attorney Shaffer asked if Magee Fire Department is prepared to sign this agreement with the Town of Tyre and fulfill this agreement to their best of their ability. Mr. Paige responded – Yes.

Attorney Shaffer stated that Magee Fire Department is an individual contractor and is under no control of the Town of Tyre. Attorney Shaffer also stated that putting the safety of the residents in the Town of Tyre at risk is unacceptable.

Motion made by Councilman Thomson and seconded by Councilman Rogers. Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Supervisor McGreevy	X			
Councilman Sutterby	X			
Councilman Rogers	X			
Councilman Aceto				X
Councilman Thomson	X			

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Resolution Approving Agreement with Magee Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for Fire Protection, Hazardous Materials Response for the Year 2020

Motion made by Councilman Thomson and seconded by Councilman Rogers. Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

	YEA	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Supervisor McGreevy	X			

Councilman Sutterby	X	
Councilman Rogers	X	
Councilman Aceto		X
Councilman Thomson	X	

Resolution duly adopted. Resolution follows.

Additional Business:

Spectrum/Charter Communications Brief Update – 9/20/19 received an e-mail from Lauren Kelly, Charter Communications Director of Government Affairs, Finger Lakes, stating that a Draft Franchise Agreement would be sent for our review in quote “short order”. On 10/2/19 Attorney Blair (per Supervisor McGreevy’s request) e-mailed Ms. Kelley for a status update. On 10/3/19 an e-mail was received from Ms. Kelley stating that she will have a draft agreement available quote “ASAP” as she is quote “waiting on one last item”. After additional requests made for an update, Ms. Kelly responded on 11/5/19 by e-mail stating that she understands our quote “frustration” and quote “will send the new draft over as soon as I am able to “. Supervisor McGreevy stated that again, WE, the Town of Tyre, are making every effort to move forward with Spectrum.

Town of Tyre Personnel Policy/Employee Handbook Update – 11/13/19 from Attorney Blair, receipt of comments with edits to the draft document. A workshop for 12/5/19 at 6:30 p.m. is tentatively scheduled in regards to starting to review the Tyre Personnel Policy/Employee Handbook.

Supervisor Correspondence/Report:

Work on the highway roof replacement is progressing despite the weather.

Adjournment:

Councilman Sutterby moved, seconded by Councilman Thomson that the meeting be adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Carolyn Sosnowski
Town Clerk