

Town of Corning  
Regular Board Meeting  
April 17, 2018  
7:00PM

Supervisor Feehan called the meeting to order.

Roll call of members present as follows:

Present

Supervisor Kim Feehan

Councilwoman Jen Mullen

Councilman Stuart Sammis

Councilman Dave Shafer

Councilman Mike Brenning

Others present: Water Superintendent Ken Fields, Planning Board Chairman Wayne Bennett, Various other members of the community.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**Abstract Approval**

The motion approving abstract #4 was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Shafer. All were in favor, motion carried.

**March Town Clerk Report**

Councilman Sammis made the motion to approve the March Town Clerk's report. Councilwoman Mullen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Building Permit Report**

The March Permit Report was approved on a motion made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilwoman Mullen. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**March Supervisors Report**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the Supervisor's report for March. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**March Highway Report**

The March Highway report was approved on a motion made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Shafer. All in favor. Carried.

**Auction International**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve setting bids and authorizing the following items to be put on Auctions International:

2003 Volvo 6 Wheel Dump Truck VIN#4V5K39G133N34608 needs instrument panel, front king-pins, steering components,

1997 Home-made trailer 8X5 VIN#NYA479796  
2002 Home-made Trailer 7X16 landscape trailer (no title)  
Main Snow Plows 3 Tencos, 1 Everest, 1 Viking  
Plow Cabinet & Push Frame  
3" 8 HP trash pump  
Air Ride Seat  
Portable Lincoln Welder  
9' Stainless Slide in Hydraulic Sander

Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor. Carried

### **March Building & Grounds Report**

The motion approving the Building & Grounds report for March was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All were in favor, motion carried. Superintendent Fields informed the Board that the fire panel for the building is malfunctioning. The alarm continues to ring when nothing is wrong. He has reached out to Davis- Ulmer, CPE Interlink and Fast Alarm to check for repair parts. He was told the panel is obsolete and in need of replacing. Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to obtain bids for replacement. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor. Carried. Mr. Fields also believes the panel at the Highway Building is also antiquated and should be replaced. The motion authorizing a not to exceed \$6,000.00 bid was made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **John O'Brian Paid Leave**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion authorizing the transfer of 50 hours of unused sick time from Scott O'Brian to John O'Brian for 84 hours of sick time for him to use for care of a sick family member. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Building & Grounds Equipment Auction**

The motion to approve discussing the sale of some of the Building & Grounds equipment on Auctions International was made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilman Brenning. All in favor, motion carried. Superintendent Fields added that there would be an additional 14% added onto each of the items to be paid by the buyer.

### **Bid Amounts for B & G Equipment**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to accept each of the following bid items to be sold "as is"

2008 F250 with plow bid \$6,400.00 (book \$10,000.00)  
2002 S10 bid \$3,950.00 (book \$3,500.00)  
2006 Zero Turn Mower bid \$2,950.00 (book \$3,500.00)  
Snapper mower bid \$135.00  
2 older copiers bid \$55.00  
Pump bid \$72.50

Councilman Shafer seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **Dutton Road Repair**

On a motion from Councilwoman Mullen discussion of Dutton Road water work was approved, Councilman Shafer seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Superintendent Fields explained that there is currently a house on Dutton Road that has had many water leak issues. He knows the highway superintendent plans on paving that road this summer and would like to remedy the situation by lining the 6" pipe with a 2 "pipe before paving is done. He has gotten the okay from the health department, with the caution that it may take some time to complete the preliminary paper work due to a shortage of people.

### **Repair Approval**

Councilman Brenning made the motion to approve the repair on Dutton Road with a not to exceed \$8,000.00 total. Councilman Sammis seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Jody Allen agreed to engineer the project with a not to exceed \$1,900.00 limit which is included in the total \$8,000.00 amount.

### **Community Gardens**

The motion to discuss the updates of the Community Gardens was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Sammis explained that there are 20 beds already rented for the upcoming growing season. They are in communication with the high school for possibly building more. Also, Rotary will donate fruit trees (possibly dwarf apple) and a local boy scout troop will plant them. Councilman Sammis made a secondary motion to approve planting the trees in the community garden area. Councilwoman Mullen seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Web-Site**

Councilman Shafer made the motion to approve the discussion with Councilwoman Mullen regarding the status of the web-site overhaul. Councilman Sammis seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Councilwoman Mullen explained that she had hoped to have the site completed by now, but is certain it will be done by the upcoming week-end.

### **Broadband Discussion**

The motion to approve discussion regarding the broadband contract with First Light in July 2018 and entertain the possibility of a 3-year contract with Empire Access was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. Supervisor Feehan will have more information at the May meeting as far as fees.

### **Standard Operating Work Day**

On a motion made by Councilman Brenning the standard operating work day resolution for elected officials, specifically Councilwoman Mullen was approved. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

### **E-Code Quote**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the quote from E-Codes to codify all of the Town's Local Laws and Ordinances not to exceed \$15,100.00. Councilmen Shafer and Sammis asked if this could be tabled as they didn't know where this would fit in with the record retention project that is forth

coming. On a motion made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilman Shafer this agenda item as well as agenda items #21 #22, and #23 are tabled. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Attorney Bryan Maggs**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the engagement of Attorney Maggs from the firm Barclay & Damon for legal services. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

**Visitor's Comments**

Charlie Taylor asked for some information about the Gibson Fire Department situation. Supervisor Feehan explained that due to the lack of training of the fire fighters, the Commissioners agreed that the contract with the department should be void. Charlie is concerned about where his tax dollars are going and who will respond to fires in the Gibson district. The supervisor explained that South Corning, North Corning and East Corning fire departments will cover for the next 60 days at least. Ruth Plaisted asked if the water department had heard back about the calcium content in the water in East Corning. Water Superintendent Fields told her not as of yet, he will let her know when he does. She also asked where the money goes that is received from the Community Garden bed rental. Councilman Sammis explained that he would like Supervisor Feehan to set up a 501 C-3 account for the Community Gardens.

**Executive Session**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to leave regular session and enter into an executive session. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

These minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Edwards  
Town Clerk