

**Town of Freetown
2369 McGraw Marathon Rd
Marathon, NY 13803
April 10, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Freetown, NY was held April 10, 2019 at the Town Hall. Town Supervisor Lisa Grinnell called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Present: Lisa Grinnell, Town Supervisor
Terry Wolff, Councilperson
William Contri, Councilperson
Crystal Clough, Councilperson
Mary Mackey, Councilperson
Recording Secretary: Serina Ingrahm, Town Clerk

Others Present: Tim Brown, Candidate for Legislator Mitchel Eccleston, Legislator Joan Coombs, Gail Heady, Jim Aiken, Lori Aiken, John Slocum and Orin Meyer

Motion 32: Made by Councilperson Clough and seconded by Supervisor Grinnell to accept the March minutes with corrections.

Votes:	Councilpersons:	Mary Mackey: Aye	
		Crystal Clough: Aye	
		William Contri: Aye	
		Terry Wolff: Aye	
	Supervisor:	Lisa Grinnell: Aye	Passed

Monthly reports from the Town Clerk, Justice and Code Enforcement Officer were received and passed along for review. The 2019 City, County, Town and Village Officers Roster also received and passed along.

OPEN FLOOR: Mitchel Eccleston addressed the assembly on concerns for the Cortland County Jail on whether it needs more levels added for cells or a new one build in another location. Mr. Eccleston gave us a brief summary on his experiences. He's currently a Judge for Cincinnatus. In the past he has been a Councilperson and Judge for Taylor, NY.

Gail Heady inquired on why Mr. Eccleston wants to take on more responsibility running for Legislator. Mr. Eccleston feels he's qualified for the position. His resignation for Town Justice for Cincinnatus NY, will take effect on 12/31/2019.

Joan Coombs addressed the Town Board on her qualification for running for Legislator again this coming election 2019. She's been a farmer for many years and an accountant for Cincinnatus and McGraw.

A Town resident (Orin Meyer) residing on Irish Hill rd has concerns about his neighbor driving overweight farming equipment and manure trucks traveling over bridges and sluice pipes. Irish

Hill Rd is posted for 2 ½ tons per axle. Farm traffic exceeds this weigh limit and has damaged Irish Hill Rd.

John Slocum came to remind Highway Superintendent to complete dust control on Deneve Rd.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Code Enforcement officer is willing to amend our current set-back law #2 of 2005. Board has decline his offer.

Supervisor was asked to check with Tom Williams (Code Enforcement officer) on how he calculates his mileage, to ensure it was being done correctly by both parties.

Councilperson Clough offered to contact association of Towns to see if Town Highway Superintendent could be a hired position.

Grievance Day is set for June 5th, 2019 no time set as yet.

Amnesty Day is schedule for May 18, 2019 from 8am-5pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

Town Supervisor received a mailing offer from Hughes net cable broad band services, she will research prices and compare to current costs and report next Month.

There is some concern on a letter that was written by Town Supervisor Lisa Grinnell. The letter stated that Mr. Doty should not approach our Board members about town business in public. An invitation was extended for him or anyone to attend our board meeting to discuss any outstanding matters that need attention.

Town Supervisor received a letter and photograph from NYS DOT on April 9th 2019, showing rebar projecting in the road on Pine Hill.

Rebar removal was completed by Highway Dept. according to Tim Brown

Town Supervisor is required to reply to D.O.T, ASAP and what action is being taken to resolve this matter.

Town Board suggested the Town Clerk give Highway Superintendent a copy of the prior month's minutes so he is aware of what took place.

Tim Brown asked on how the Highway Superintendent's pay is calculated as an elected position.

John Slocum asked if we could possibility raise Highway Superintendent salary an additional \$2,000 to be more competitive, Board will consider.

CCTVS: Councilperson Clough reported a discussion that took place at CCTVS meeting about IRT (Incident Readiness Training) this is a medical deployment exercise on July 11-20, 2019. Held at the Homer Jr-High School. Services include medical, dental, vision and veterinary services (rabies shots, spaying or neutering) free to all. Appointment can be made in June. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

Councilperson Clough stated the County audit has found money that is part of the workers compensation funds. Joan Coombs stated the county is looking to invest the money to earn interest.

A final website cost will be provided by John Walsh. And we will retain our domain name and payment will be sent.

Supervisor Grinnell was provided with a credit card application from Dryden Bank. In order to make purchase's for a webpage.

Motion 33: Made by Councilperson Contri and seconded by Supervisor Grinnell to decline the offer for a law amendment on the setback for construction by Tom Williams (Code Enforcement Officer).

Votes:	Councilpersons:	Mary Mackey: Aye Crystal Clough: Aye William Contri: Aye Terry Wolff: Aye	
	Supervisor:	Lisa Grinnell: Aye	Passed

Motion 34: Made by Supervisor Grinnell and seconded by Councilperson Contri to pay the bills from the following accounts. Vouchers 54-68.

(A)\$3,450.58
(DA) \$10,407.02

Votes:	Councilpersons:	Mary Mackey: Aye Crystal Clough: Aye William Contri: Aye Terry Wolff: Aye	
	Supervisor:	Lisa Grinnell: Aye	Passed

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Acknowledged by Town Clerk,
Serina Ingrahm