

**Town of Freetown**  
**2369 McGraw Marathon Rd**  
**Marathon, NY 13803**  
**May 8, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Freetown, NY was held May 8, 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  
Secretary: Serina Ingrahm, Town Clerk

Others Present: Tim Brown, John Slocum, Art Hawley

**Motion 32:** Made by Supervisor Grinnell and seconded by Councilperson Contri to accept the April minutes.

<b>Votes:</b>	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, Tax Collector and Code Enforcement Officer were received and passed along for review.

UNFINISHED BUSSINESS: Town park tour will be done on Amnesty day by the board members to determine how to improve the park.

Grievance day has been set for June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Fran Butler would like residents to make an appointment.

HIGHWAY: Last month a resident of Freetown had concerns on weight limits on roads with manure trucks. Superintendent Hawley explained those posted weight limit signs are just for town's insurance liability, farm traffic is exempt. Councilperson Mackey stated that Highway Superintendent can request a bond to be purchased before issuing a permit. Highway agenda is to sweep roads, trim brush and dig ditches.

Councilpersons inquired about some repairs on the 2014 Western Star need the chain replaced. Councilperson Contri ask if the repairs were cause by lack of proper storage and cleaning. Councilperson Clough asked if the equipment and trucks had been cleaned and prepared for summer storage. The Highway Superintendent stated he pressured wash them but not treated them with a neutralizer.

Councilperson Clough checked with Highway Superintendent to see if he appointed a Deputy. Mr. Hawley claimed he couldn't find anyone that's interested in the position.

Highway Superintendent orders supplies at Commercial Maintenance for cleaning the Town Hall.

Councilperson Clough asked Mr. Hawley if we had received any grindings from Cortlandville. Mr. Hawley stated that Freetown never received a letter to participate.

Mr. Hawley's report states we will receive the same amount for CHIPS and Pave New York as last year. Councilperson Mackey asked if there was any update on the Pine Hill Bridge. Mr. Hawley has no updates and the rebar was removed and the State was notified.

Councilperson Clough asked Mr. Hawley if this summer they would fix water flow into her pasture that was due to a former town construction project. Amanda Barber has given Mr. Hawley ideas on how to fix the problem. Councilperson Clough asked Mr. Hawley to add gravel to front parking places. Mr. Hawley said he would redo the area.

John Slocum came to check on dust control and potholes. Mr. Hawley will get it done within the next few weeks. John Slocum asked the board if it was possible to make Highway Superintendent position a working position and have two employees.

Councilperson Clough inquired on when the town would be ready to separate glass with a bin provided by the County and emptied by the County.

Supervisor Grinnell inquired about Highway Employee Tim Brown being our groundskeeper. The Board decided it would result in overtime and therefore did not approve that suggestion. Town Board would like Highway employee's to mow and trim as needed. Councilperson Clough will pass along an application to Alexa Barber, who is interested in mowing and cleaning town hall.

Councilperson Clough reminded Tim Brown to teach Supervisor Grinnell how the security cameras work.

Councilperson Clough asked if we checked on how many stamps our Assessor uses for the reval and if any unused gets returned to the town. Those stamps came from her contractual agreement and non-returned.

Councilperson Clough will contact Joan-Ann Lehman with concerns on the republican caucus if one is needed.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Supervisor Grinnell suggested looking into a different Gas card for easier use. Supervisor Grinnell passed along information on vision and dental for Highway personal, boards reviewing for finally decision.

Councilperson Mackey explained the positive and negatives amounts on our town monthly budget. Supervisor Grinnell and Councilperson Mackey will install QuickBooks on amnesty day. Employee Tim Brown reported that men's and female's toilet will occasional continuously run and get the floor wet which is lifting tiles in the hall and bathrooms.

**Motion 34:** Made by Councilperson Contri and seconded by Councilperson Clough to have Hines Plumbing estimate the cost to fix or replace the toilets in the Town Hall.

<b>Votes:</b>	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 Mackey to pay the bills from the following accounts. Vouchers 69-87.

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(DA) \$17,284.47

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

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Acknowledged by Town Clerk,  
Serina Ingrahm