

September 21, 2021
Special Meeting

The Mina Town Board met on the above date for a special meeting with Attorney Tad Wright regarding real property issues. Supervisor Brumagin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members and guests were in attendance:

Present: Rebecca Brumagin.....Supervisor
Steve Burmaster.....Councilman
Marty Proctor.....Councilman (7:02)
Ernie Roache.....Councilman
Dick Watrous.....Councilman

Attended by: Bill Himelein (Highway Superintendent), Tad Wright (Town Attorney)

Comments/Concerns from those present: none

Executive Session: At 7:02 pm Councilman Watrous made a motion, seconded by Councilman Burmaster to adjourn to Executive Session for real property issues. Motion carried. At 8:53 pm Councilman Proctor moved, seconded by Councilman Burmaster to return to regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business:

- Superintendent Himelein distributed a copy of a survey he conducted in 2018 on Chautauqua County Highway Departments (towns and villages) salary and benefit schedules. Superintendent Himelein met with Supervisor Brumagin and they are proposing that full-time motor equipment operators (MEO) with a CDL (commercial driver's license) be paid based upon experience as follows:
Tier 1 - \$20.00 per hour (upon hiring for employees with no prior MEO experience)
Tier 2 - \$21.00 per hour (employees hired with no MEO experience after 6 months of employment with the Town of Mina or upon hiring for employee with previous municipal MEO experience)
Tier 3 - \$22.00 per hour (after one year of employment with the Town of Mina with no previous MEO experience or after 6 months of employment with the Town of Mina with previous MEO experience)
Discussion was held. Councilman Proctor made a motion, seconded by Councilman Burmaster to increase the highway wages as listed above for the 2022 budget. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Ayes – 5 Brumagin, Burmaster, Proctor, Roache, Watrous

Nays – 0

Superintendent Himelein also stated that since our community has gone from mainly an agricultural community to more of a resort area he would like to see two shifts of plowing in the winter to be able to clear town roads of snow and ice more frequently. He is proposing that first shift work from 4 a.m. until noon and second shift work from noon until 8 p.m. He is also proposing to hire a part-time MEO for snow plowing during the winter months. He will include the additional expense in his 2022 budget request.

- Supervisor Brumagin explained the difference between a public meeting/forum and a public hearing as it relates to the opt-out option for the NYS Marijuana Act. A legal notice will be published in the Jamestown Post Journal and the Town's website for a

public meeting to be held on October 14, 2021 for public input on the NYS Cannabis Law.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Watrous moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrie R. Tanner
Town Clerk