*Town of Nichols*

*Regular Town Board Meeting*

*March 10, 2020*

*Supervisor Engelbert brought meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Town Hall, located at 54 E. River Rd. Nichols NY.*

*Pledge of Allegiance*

*Roll Call;*

*Councilperson Ray Thetga Sr. (present), Councilperson Bill Middleton (present), Councilperson Esther Woods (absent), Councilperson Barbara Crannell (present), Supervisor Kevin Engelbert (present).*

*Also present;*

*Rose Cole, Will Heveland (Highway Super.), Matt Freeze (Morning Times), Kris Swaggler, Chris Williams,*

*Ray Thetga Jr. Darryl Seward.*

***MINUTES***

*The motion to accept the minutes from February 26, 2020 as presented made by R. Thetga 2nd by B. Middleton*

*Roll Vote;*

*R. Thetga (aye), B. Middleton (aye), B. Crannell (aye), K. Engelbert (aye).*

 *Carried 4 aye, 0 Nay, 1 absent, 0 abstain*

***QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND CRITICISMS FROM PUBLIC***

*Rose Cole – since there’s more industry coming to Lounsberry. What are the lighting codes, and/or does the Town have lighting codes to not pollute the sky.*

*K. Engelbert – Advised Rose Cole to contact CEO-Bob Huseby to inquire about lighting codes.*

***NEW BUSINESS***

* *Justice Clerk spoke with K. Engelbert, Clerk has contacted the office of Court Administration and requested to destroy all old records stored upstairs in Town Hall, and has gotten permission to destroy them. Justice Clerk has inquired to a shredding company and the cost will be between $500.00 to $1,000.00.*

*A discussion ensued about destroying old stored records and cost of having company shred records.*

*All Board members in favor of hiring company to get rid of all old stored records.*

* *Chris Williams – Town Board received a letter from Mr. Williams about appointing a new Board of Fire Commissioner, Michael Fredrichsen is interested in the position.*

*The motion to appoint Michael Fredrichsen to the position of the Board of Fire Commissioners, made by K. Engelbert 2nd by B. Middleton.*

*Roll vote;*

 *R. Thetga (aye), B. Middleton (aye), B. Crannell (aye), K. Engelbert (aye).*

 *Carried 4 aye, 0 Nay, 1 absent, 0 abstain*

* *Health Insurance – Tompkins County Consortium, Tompkins County has started their own consortium and many other municipalities have joined it. An informational packet was given to*

*B. Crannell whom presented it at the meeting of February 26,*

*K. Engelbert contacted Amy Poff from Tioga County, and asked K. Hunsinger to contact Tom Augustine the broker for Excellus Blue Cross and Blue Shield.*

 *The consensus from both was that the insurance coverage and prices would probably not be as good as what the town has now.*

* *Annual Town Clerks Conference – K. Hunsinger*

*K. Hunsinger presented to the Board, Conference is in Albany this year, cost of hotel rooms are $717.00 single $514.00 double Hunsinger will try to get a double if she can find roommate.*

*Discussion of Albany Conference and Coronavirus, the conference will be held in April, Albany is diversified and there will be even more people there during conference, safety precautions should be taken if K. Hunsinger does decide to attend.*

*The motion to allow Town Clerk to attend Conference made by B. Crannell 2nd by R. Thetga*

*Roll vote;*

 *R. Thetga (aye), B. Middleton (aye), B. Crannell (aye), K. Engelbert (aye).*

 *Carried 4 aye, 0 Nay, 1 absent, 0 abstain*

***OTHER NEW BUSINESS FROM BOARD***