

REGULAR – MEETING – ATHENS TOWN BOARD – December 2, 2013

A regular meeting of the Athens Town Board was called to order on December 2, 2013, by Supervisor Lee Palmateer with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, at 7:00 p.m. with the following people present:

Supervisor Lee Palmateer; Councilwoman April Paluch; Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker and Town Clerk Linda M. Stacey. (Councilman Robert F. Butler, Jr.; Steven Van Hoesen and Highway Superintendent John J. Farrell were absent.)

These people were also present: Bookkeeper/ Budget Officer Mary H. Brandow; Attorney Virginia Benedict; Code Enforcement Officer George Holsopple; Joe Iraci; Carol Pfister and Reporter Melanie Lekocevic.

The following Bills were audited by the Board and ordered paid.

General Abstract #23, vouchers #565 through ##593 inclusive for \$79,064.03.

Highway Abstract, #22, Vouchers #211 through # #220 inclusive for \$46,068.12.

Carol Pfister came before the Board to invite Board members and people in the audience to attend the Annual Victorian Stroll in the Village of Athens. The Festivities begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Cultural Center and end with fire dancers, caroling and tree lighting in the Riverfront Park at 5:00 p.m.

Before Mrs. Pfister left the meeting she requested another \$500 from the Town Board for this Community Event. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Lee Palmateer made a motion seconded by Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker to ***give the extra \$500.00 towards the Victorian Stroll for 2013.*** Ayes- 2-(Palmateer; Dinkelacker) Noes-1(Paluch) Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0 (Attorney- Stated that this passed as there was a quorum.)

Bookkeeper /Budget Officer Mary H. Brandow went over the Supervisor’s Report, with recommended budget amendments.

On the motion of Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker seconded by Supervisor Lee Palmateer the following **RESOLUTION #2013-44 to accept the recommended Budget Amendments was adopted.** Ayes-3 (Palmateer; Paluch; Dinkelacker) Noes-0 Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0

Budget Amendments Are as follow: General A			Increase	Decrease
1010.4	Town Bd.	Advertising	\$200.00	
1010.4	“	Electric	100.00	
1010.4	“	Engineer		\$300.00
1355.1	Assessor	Personnel	1,100.00	
1355.4	“	Equip		150.00
1355.4	“	Books	405.00	
1355.4	“	Off Supplies		100.00
1355.4	“	Postage		100.00
1355.4	“	Consultant (ReVal)		300.00
1355.4	“	Office Supplies (REVAL)		300.00
1355.4	“	Postage (REVAL)		200.00
1355.4	“	Seminars/Work		300.00
1355.4	“	Service Contracts		55.00
1410.4	Town Clk	Equip. repair		50.00
1410.4	“	office supplies	160.00	
1410.4	“	Sem/Workshop		110.00
1420.4	Attorney	other legal	700.00	
1910.4	Insurance			500.00
1950.4	Judgments & claims			200.00
			\$2,665.00	\$2665.00

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General B	Budget Amendments:	Increases	Decreases
7610.4 Historian	Office Supplies	65.00	
8010.4 Zoning	Training		65.00
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Highway DA	Budget Amendments	Increases	Decreases
5142.1	snow removal Person.	300.00	
5142.4	diesel Fuel		300.00
9030.8	Social Security	300.00	
9060.8	hosp/med.ins.		300.00
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Highway DB	Budget Amendments	Increases	Decreases
5110.4	Diesel gold	1,500.00	
5110.4	Road		1,300.00
5110.4	Signs		200.00
5110.4	Tires		100.00
9060.8	Ins. Med. buyout	100.00	

Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch *to accept the Supervisor's Report as presented.* Ayes-3 (Palmateer; Paluch; Dinkelacker) Noes-0 Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0

Supervisor Lee Palmateer made a motion seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch *to republish the ad for the bookkeeper/ budget officer human relations position.* Ayes-3 (Palmateer; Paluch; Dinkelacker) Noes-0 Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0

There were questions regarding the minutes of November 18, 2013, so they were tabled until the next meeting.

Special meeting being held by Greene County Legislature on Dec. 4, at the Greene County EMS building in Cairo, to discuss the concept of a county wide consolidated ALS/ BLS and ambulance service for the towns and villages of Greene County.

Supervisor Lee Palmateer made a motion seconded by Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker *to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation, and Board approved Supervisor Elect Joe Iraci to attend.* Ayes-3 (Palmateer; Paluch; Dinkelacker) Noes-0 Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0 Time: 7:25 p.m. (Town Clerk Linda Stacey was asked to leave at this time.)

A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Supervisor Lee Palmateer seconded by Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker. Ayes-3 (Palmateer; Paluch; Dinkelacker) Noes-0 Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0 Time 830 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Phyllis Dinkelacker seconded by Councilwoman April Paluch. Ayes-3 (Palmateer; Paluch; Dinkelacker) Noes-0 Absent-2 (Butler; Van Hoesen) Abstentions-0

Meeting adjourned at 830 p.m.