

Present at the regular meeting were Supr. Robert Briggs, Mary Jo. Long, Superintendent L Shultis, Calvin Tallmadge, J Stafford, J Lawrence.

Visitors: C Colley, E Colley, A Leggett, A Gaydorus, E Zablocki, W Liedecker, C Warren, L Warren, C Gaydorus, B Olin, G Matthews and M Schambach.

Bills were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Fund claims Nos.112-123 totaling \$2927.52 as listed in General Fund Abstract No.8 dated August 11, 2011 and

Highway claims Nos.94-104 totaling \$9719.54 as listed on Highway Abstract No.8 dated August 11, 2011.

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the salute to the flag. Regular meeting minutes of July 14,2011 were read. M Long made motion to accept minutes with corrections seconded by J Lawrence. Approved.

Recognition of Visitors

Communications

1. FEMA Changes to Flood Plain Maps discussed.

2. Tower Settlement specifics were presented by Assessor Stafford With following resolution being presented for approval by town board.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF ARTICLE 7 PROPERTY TAX SUIT AMERICAN TOWER CORPORATION VS. TOWN INDEX #2011-577,RJI NO.2011-0232M

At a regular meeting of the town board of the Town of Afton held on the 11th day of August, 2011, at 7:15 PM, at the town hall, 169 Main Street, Afton, NY, and due and proper prior public notice of said meeting having been given and said meeting having been publicly held at which a quorum was present in attendance and participated thereat throughout, there were:

Present:	M Long	R. Briggs
	J Lawrence	C Tallmadge
Absent	J Baciuska	

Mr. C Tallmadge moved the following resolution for adoption:

WHEREAS, there has been filed in Supreme Court, Chenango County, an Article 7 Real Property Tax Review Suit by American Tower Corporation against the Assessor, Board of Assessment Review and Town of Afton, Bearing Index No. 2011 x 577 and RJI No. 2011-0232M, wherein petitioner seeks a reduction in the assessment of its real property located at Hall Road (rear), Tax Map No. 289-3-19,331-1 site no. 306937, from \$191400 to \$130,000; and

WHEREAS, the town's assessor has heretofore engaged in discovery proceedings and negotiations with petitioner's attorney regarding the fair market value of petitioner's realty and the improvements located thereon; and

WHEREAS, the town's assessor has recommended that the aforesaid tax review proceedings be settled and compromised by reducing the year 2011 assessment on petitioner's aforesaid real property from \$191,400 to \$145,000, without court costs to either party.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS: The town board does hereby consent and authorize settlement of the aforesaid Article 7 Real Property Tax Suit, Index No. 2011-577,RJI No. 2011-0232M, Filed in Supreme Court, Chenango County on July 12, 2011 by American Tower

Corporation against the Assessor, Board of Assessment Review and Town Board, by reducing the assessment on the tax rill year 2011 from \$191,400 to \$145,000, without court costs to either party; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that either the town's assessor, Jack Stafford, or the attorney for the town, James E. Downey, shall be and hereby is authorized to sign on behalf of the Town the Stipulation of Settlement, Whereby petitioner's assessment on the aforesaid real property for the tax roll year 2011 is reduced from \$191,4000 to \$145,000, without court costs to either party.

Ms M Long seconded the motion and following discussion was put to a vote with the following results:

Ayes M Long J Lawrence C Tallmadge R Briggs

Noes None

Abstentions None

The forgoing resolution having received at least a majority approving vote was declared by the Supervisor to be adopted.

CERTIFICATION

I, Rosemarie A Klatz, Town Clerk of the Town of Afton, Do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Afton, duly called, publicly noticed and regularly held on the 11th day of August, 2011, and at which a quorum was present and participated thereat throughout, and of the whole of such resolution; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any manner and is in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Clerk this 11th day of August, 2011.

Rosemarie A Klatz

Town Clerk, Town of Afton

3. Equalization Rate Final at 61%

4. Estimate Retirement for the year 2011 came in at \$18980.00 2012 estimate came in at \$39244.00 or 15.5 % of salary to retirement.

Committee Reports

1. Financial Reports for August were reviewed.

2. August Justice Reports were distributed.

3. Code Enforcement Report for August was distributed.

4. Assessor reports for August Attorney Downey sent our dates for assessment to resolve dispute Date of August 25, 2011 at 1 PM.

5. August Highway Report Mr. Shultis did not speak at this meeting.

6. August Animal Control Report was distributed.

7. Buildings and Grounds air conditioner for Justice office was installed cost to be shared by Village total amount for purchase and installation was at \$214.00 with half of this amount to be paid by village. Also a new door has been purchased for Medical Center to replace door that is currently in place due to damage.

Old Business