NEW LISBON TOWN BOARD—SPECIAL MEETING—DECEMBER 19, 2018 7:30 PM---TOWN HALL, GARRATTSVILLE

Present: Supervisor Edward Lentz, Councilwoman Nancy-Martin Mathewson, Councilwoman Flo Loomis, Councilman John Pegg, Councilman Robert Eklund, Clerk Charlene Wells, Residents Barry & Sandra Braunius, Earl Smith, Louie Colburn, Donald Smith, Edward George, Tom Riso, Lenny Melillo

The special meeting to appoint someone to take over as Hwy. Supt. after Hwy. Supt. Bill Whitaker retires was opened at 7:30 PM.

The new 2018 Freightliner truck has been received and a motion was made by Councilwoman Flo Loomis, seconded by Councilwoman Nancy Martin-Mathewson and carried 5 Ayes/0 Nays to pay bill #207 for \$204,740.77 to Mohawk Valley Freightliner.

Supervisor Edward Lentz noted that the notice for applications for Highway Superintendent had been posted and he received two nibbles and one application from Donald Smith. It was noted that Donald has worked in several highway departments and as a mechanic. Councilman Robert Eklund questioned Donald Smith on if he intended to be a "working" supt. as we've always had and he received a positive response. Discussion was held on the salary for the position. Supervisor Edward Lentz noted that he felt it should remain at the amount of \$46,965.00 (2019 budget amount) which is in line with other towns and the position needs to be higher in salary than the other highway employees. Councilman Robert Eklund asked Donald Smith if he would be willing to attend classes and informational meetings. Donald advised that he would attend as many classes/meetings as he can to further his job skills and knowledge.

We have not received a written resignation from Highway Supt. Bill Whitaker yet as the Morris School Board votes on his job application with them tomorrow. An appointment made tonight would be contingent on this all happening. A motion was made by Supervisor Edward Lentz, seconded by Councilman Robert Eklund and carried 5 Ayes/O Nays to appoint Donald Smith as New Lisbon Highway Superintendent, to be effective on the day after present Hwy. Supt. Bill Whitaker resigns, anticipated to be December 31st, 2018 and may be up to January 7, 2019 so that Donald Smith may give appropriate notice to his present employer.

In the event that Donald Smith does not start as Highway Supt. until January 7, 2019, a motion was made by Councilman Robert Eklund, seconded by Councilwoman Flo Loomis and carried 5 Ayes/O Nays to extend the appointment of Willard Lasher as New Lisbon Deputy Highway Superintendent from the time when present Supt. Bill Whitaker resigns until the new Hwy. Supt., Donald Smith takes office, anticipated to be from December 31, 2018 to January 6, 2019.

With no further business, a motion was made by Councilman John Pegg, seconded by Councilwoman Flo Loomis and carried 5 Ayes/0 Nays to adjourn at 7:45 PM.

Charlene R. Wells, New Lisbon Town Clerk