

Town of Fowler Emergency Meeting held on March 27, 2020 at 9:00AM

The Town of Fowler held an Emergency Meeting on the above date. In attendance were: Supervisor Ricky W. Newvine, Councilperson Jeff Andrews, Councilperson Karen Simmons, Highway Superintendent Randy Durham, Town Clerk Tami Gale, Deputy Town Clerk Debra Tupper, Volunteer for the Town of Fowler Linda Hill, and attending by phone Councilperson Lynn Bishop. The meeting was advertised on both entrances to the Town Hall, and on the Town of Fowler website. The advertisement of the meeting was to let taxpayers know that the Town was holding a meeting as the Town Hall is closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Attendance was limited to 10 individuals, and the social distancing recommendation was observed.

Supervisor Newvine opened the meeting at 9:00AM. He announced the meeting was called to continue prior discussion on the Town of Fowler's 65 years of age and older population and their needs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Supervisor Newvine & Councilpersons reported:

- Wellness calls and checks had been made to most of the senior citizens in the Town and that a list of 32 names had been generated of seniors that would benefit from the Town's effort to assist with food and hygiene items stemming from concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Town would put together 40 care packages as there were still a few seniors that had not been contacted at meeting time.
- The highway department workers would be asked to assist in the care package delivery.
- Delivery personnel would wear personal protection, call before delivering, and leave items at door entrances.
- That COVID-19 informational flyers from St. Lawrence County Public Health, New York State Department of Health, and Town of Fowler Emergency phone numbers would be included in the packages.
- Town Clerk Gale and Councilperson Simmons would shop locally for care package items following the adjournment of the emergency meeting.
- The shoppers could charge at Save a Lot and use the Town credit card elsewhere.
- Deliveries would be made on Monday March 30th and Tuesday March 31.
- Councilperson Simmons had dropped off donation requests on Town letterhead to Save a Lot and Price Chopper and that they may be able to help with a donation in a few weeks.
- When the highway laborers return to work: that 2 workers per day for an 8 - hour shift may be advisable until the COVID-19 pandemic has subsided.

- Custodian Rosalee Thornton can return to work as an essential employee beginning immediately.

Supervisor Newvine adjourned the emergency meeting at 9:35AM.

Tami Gale, Town Clerk