

OCTOBER 8, 2014

The first monthly meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on October 8, 2014 at 7:00p.m. at the Ellington Town Hall, 813 W. Main Street, Ellington, N.Y.

PRESENT: Laura M. Cronk, Supervisor
Tamara Miles, Councilwoman
Roger D. Brainard, Councilman
Sharon J. Berg, Councilwoman
Jeffrey L. Chase, Councilman
Karen G. Bifaro, Town Clerk, Recd Secy.
Dennis Colvenback, Highway Superintendent
Corey Ziebart Students from Falconer Central School
Zack Austin

Supervisor opened the meeting at 7:00p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

As advertised in a Legal Notice of the Post Journal, the Caretaker Bids were opened. Bids received from Richard Cadle for the Caretaker position from Jan 1, 2015 to Dec. 31, 2015 for \$27,299. All insurance and non-collusive certification enclosed. Another bid from Conti Caretaking Service for \$28,900. All insurance and non-collusive certification enclosed.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to table the bids for further deliberation of the Caretaker position.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Brainard-aye, Berg-aye, Chase-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Supervisor informed the Town Board that they have a copy of the proposed law for manufactured homes that was drawn up by the Attorney. Please review and will discuss at a later date.

Supervisor met with Jim Schimek to examine the creek bank between the Rte 62 bridge and the highway building. He suggested moving the gravel back up on the banks in a 150 ft. area for a cost of \$1,000. He will work with Dave Wilson or Mr. Spann from Chaut. Co. Soil & Water on a permit for this work.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to go forward with this project pending the permits.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Brainard-aye, Berg-aye, Chase-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Fire Dept. Chief had asked the Town Board if the Fire Dept. could use the parking lot at the Town Hall for training of "jaws of life" on demolished vehicles. The plans were changed and the fire dept was receiving 2 demo cars on 2 different days so the Fire Chief decided it was best to do the training at the Fire Hall.

Highway Superintendent Report

Two trucks were sent to Villenova for share services to help with black topping. Shoulder work has been done on Hunt Road and Pickup Hill Road. Speed limit reduction signs have been removed on Leach Hill Road and the Sheriff's Dept. and State Police have been notified. Ditches are being rebuilt on Dean School Road. A resident of Harris Hollow Road wanted the Town to purchase a new tire for him as he had gotten a flat tire on this road. Barmore Sellstrom was called to fix a flat tire on the excavator. Hwy. Supt. asked the Town Board if they had made any decisions on the Volvo truck that is sitting in the yard, or any decision on the excavator. The concrete apron was put off until next year. The new Ford pickup is ready for pickup and the new Mack truck will be delivered soon. Hwy. Supt. has met with Mrs. Enney, Leach Hill Road, about the road work on their property that will be done to help them with their water problem. Papers have been signed and check for work has been received. Hwy. Committee will meet with Hwy Supt. on Weds., October 15th at 8a.m.

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Miles to accept the Highway report.

VOTE: Miles- aye, Berg-aye, Chase-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Audit and Payment of Claims

At this time the Town Board reviewed the bills as follows:

General Fund Claim Nos:	#234-#252	\$5,374.07
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#152-#161	12,272.79
Trust & Agency Fund Claim Nos:	#22	<u>341.96</u>
ABSTRACT NO. 19	TOTAL	\$17,988.82

Motion made by Brainard ,seconded by Berg to pay the bills as submitted.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Supervisor received the following checks for deposit:

09/26/14	\$100.00	Time Warner Rent(eft)
10/08/14	\$2490.00	Mrs. Enney(road work on Leach Hill Rd.)
10/08/14	\$1738.00	Justice Court Fees-September 2014
10/08/14	\$807.29	Town Clerk Fees-September 2014

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Monthly Reports

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Miles to accept the Town Clerk's monthly report as submitted.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Miles to accept the Justice Court monthly report as submitted.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase -aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Motion made by Chase, Seconded by Brainard to accept the Dog Control Officer monthly report as submitted.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Berg to accept the Building Code Officer monthly report with changes made.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

The Town Board reviewed the September 2014 Financial Statement prepared by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat CPAs.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to accept the financial report as submitted.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

The Town Board reviewed the minutes from the September 24, 2014 meeting.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Miles to accept the minutes with the noted changes.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

At this time a motion was made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to close the public session of the meeting and go into executive session.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Berg to close executive session at 7:30p.m. and reconvene in open session.

Executive session was to interview applicants for the Building Code Officer position.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to table decision of B.C.O. until references can be checked.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Motion made by Miles, seconded by Brainard to table the discussion about the lease contract for the Conewango Valley playground.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

The Dog Control Officer job description was discussed by the Town Board.

Motion made by Miles, seconded by Chase to accept the D.C.O. job description as reviewed.

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

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Motion made by Miles, seconded by Berg to table until a future meeting,

VOTE: Miles-aye, Chase-aye, Berg-aye, Brainard-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

The Library will be having a Halloween Party on October 25th. Town Board set Trick or Treat hours to be 5p.m. to 7p.m. on Friday, October 31st. A Party was discussed but need to check with Firemen's Auxiliary to see if they are having a Party/parade at the Fire hall on Halloween night this year.

Christmas Party for the kids has been set for Saturday, December 13th at 1pm. with the Farman Free Library.

Councilwoman Miles has signed an amended contract with Solar Liberty for the solar panels at the Town Hall and Hwy. building.

A proposed local law for manufactured homes, drawn up by the Attorney, was reviewed by the Town Board. Motion was made but withdrawn for further information.

Motion made by Berg to adjourn meeting at 9:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Bifaro
Town Clerk/Recd Secy