

JANUARY 28, 2015

The second regular monthly meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on January 28, 2015 at 7:00p.m. at the Ellington Town Hall, 813 W. Main Street, Ellington, N.Y.

PRESENT: Laura M. Cronk, Supervisor
Tamara O. Miles, Councilwoman
Roger D. Brainard, Councilman
Sharon J. Berg, Councilwoman
Jeffrey L. Chase, Councilman
Dennis Colvenback, Highway Superintendent
Karen G. Bifaro, Town Clerk /Rec. Sec.
William Duncanson, Attorney
Students from Pine Valley School
James Beightol, resident

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

Public Participation

Jim Beightol was present to tell the Town Board about the meeting in Sinclairville, NY about the Cassadaga Wind Project. Councilwoman Miles also attended this windmill meeting. Seventy (70) turbines are proposed for Cherry Creek and Charlotte area. The biggest wind farm they have right now is in Pennsylvania. Mr. Beightol asked if they were expanding out but did not receive an answer. There will be another meeting held in March. Mr. Beightol will keep us informed.

Public Participation closed at 7:20p.m.

Highway Superintendent Report

The lo-pro truck had repairs on the windshield wiper motor and the muffler. Hwy Dept. removed the large snow piles from the four corners around the Town Park. Noco has been working to repair the ceiling furnace at the highway bldg. Started to paint the wall in the shop where the addition was put on. This is a good project for in between plow runs. A "blind driveway" sign was ordered as requested by a resident on Hagerdon Hill Road. Town of Conewango has shown interest in the Volvo truck for their use. First newsletter has been completed and sent out to residents.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Miles to accept the Hwy. Supt. report as submitted.

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

Audit & Payment of Claims

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

General Fund Claim Nos:	#29 - #44	\$ 6,086.98
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#8 - #11	6,963.40
Trust & Agency Fund Claim Nos:	#2 - #3	<u>3,304.94</u>
ABSTRACT NO. 2	TOTAL	\$16,355.32

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to approve payment of the bills as submitted.

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

Supervisor received the following checks for deposit:

1/22	\$46.75	refund for returned parts-Lawson Products
1/21	\$70,000	towards tax warrant
1/22	\$758.72	Office of Children & Family Services

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Berg to approve the minutes of January 14, 2015 as submitted.

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

Solar Panels are working at the Town Hall but the Panels at the highway bldg need NYSERDA approval before they can be working.

Received a call from Tom Reed's office that they would like to have us host a Town Meeting on Saturday, February 21st at 10:00a.m.which is open to the Public.

Town Board discussed having Computel Consultants look over our utility bills from NYSEG and Time Warner for any overcharges.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to sign the authorization letters to NYSEG and Time Warner and also sign the contract with Computel Consultants.

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

Town Board discussed the various grants that are available for cemetery restoration, CO2 detectors for residents and also a salt storage shed.

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Brainard to authorize Councilwoman Miles to investigate and apply for grants.

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

The Audit Committee performed the audit on the Town Clerk, Town Justice, and Town Supervisor's books for 2014. Everything was found to be in order and balancing.

Annual Reports of the Town Justice and Town Clerk were reviewed by the Town Board.

Motion was made by Miles, seconded by Berg to accept the Town Justice's report as submitted.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to add this report to the annual audit.

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

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Chase to accept the Town Clerk's report as submitted and add this report to the annual audit.

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

Motion made by Berg to adjourn meeting at 7:55p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Bifaro
Town Clerk/Recd Secy.