

JULY 22, 2015

The second regular monthly meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on July 22, 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
Sandy Colvenback, resident
Mat Pickup, President of Ellington Town Picnic Assoc.
Allen Swanstrom, resident

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

Public Participation

Mat Pickup was present to ask the Town if they could haul some clay from Corbett Hill to the tractor pull track on the ballfield for the event on Sunday, August 2nd. Hwy. Supt. will take care of this.

Allen Swanstrom was present to ask if any work is going to be done to Pickup Hill Road this year. Hwy Supt. told him it is scheduled with Midland Asphalt for August 1st .

Public Participation was closed at 7:10p.m.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Hwy Supt. has installed the new "chipmunk" bouncer in the Town Park playground. Working on Little Road but signs and cones to barricade travel from work area have been **moved** by someone four times and others **stolen**. Sheriff's Dept. is involved. Millings have been spread on Butman Road, waiting for them to settle before blacktopping. Heavy rains have caused substantial damage to Abbey Hill Road(whole road on Rte 62 end), Wolcott Road, Dean School Road, Young Street, Leach Hill Rd., North Hill Rd, Dredge Rd., 28 Creek Rd. and many driveway tubes washed out. Hwy. Supt. getting things lined up to apply for FEMA funding in case the County is declared a disaster from the heavy rains. The Town excavator is still in the repair shop in Batavia. Carpenter Trucking has been hired to help out with his excavator. Hwy Dept. has been working shared service with Town of Poland doing blacktopping. The shingles on the bandstand in the Park have been repaired. The tube replacement on Drybrook Road is completed.

Motion made by Miles, seconded by Berg to accept the Highway Superintendent 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:	#199 - #209	\$4,175.82
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#98	22.72
Trust & Agency Fund Claim Nos:	#15 - #16	<u>3,416.60</u>
ABSTRACT NO.14	TOTAL	\$7,615.14

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

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

Supervisor received the following checks for deposit:

- 07/20/15 \$18.12 reimbursement from Ell. Fire Dept.
- 07/22/15 \$135.00 driveway pipe -O'Brien's

Committee Reports

Recreation will be attending the Jamestown Jammers Ball Game on Friday, July 31st at 6:05p.m. Signup sheets will be placed at local places. The sculpture in the Town Park has been stained. Erie Zoo was at the Library with the animals on Tuesday. Approx. 25 kids and adults attended. Supervisor would like to see some craft activities for the summer.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Berg to accept recreation report as submitted.

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

Motion made by Chase, seconded by Brainard to accept the minutes of July 8, 2015 as submitted.

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

Old Business

The Committee working on the Employee Handbook have been making progress on it and will meet again. Highway Contract will refer to the Employee Handbook and contract will be much simpler and only contain things that change from year to year.

Cathy from Chaut. County Soil & Water came on Tuesday to talk to Supervisor and look at gravel bar in creek by Milo Elliot's property. She will be sending a letter that DEC has no jurisdiction in this creek.

Councilwoman Miles checked with Ms. Benson and she gave permission to trim the tree on her and the Town Hall border.

Supervisor read Resolution No.2-2015 "Authorize Town Justice to Apply for Grant Funds".

Poll Vote taken by the Town Clerk as follows:

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

Local Law No. 1 - 2015, "Rules and Regulations for Use of the Town Parks in Town of Ellington" was discussed. Attorney will review and bring back to Town Board.

A young man from the Chautauqua Works program, had worked for a week doing odd jobs at the Town Hall and Hwy Garage. Did not show up for 3 days of the following week so was terminated. We had projects scheduled as far as painting, etc.

Supervisor reported that the tax cap for 2016 Budget will be .75%.

Supervisor has spoken with Lakeshore Paving and Signature Sealing asking for pricing to resurface the driveway and parking lot at the Town Hall.

Deputy Clerk was visited by a resident who had a concern about water on their property. It is on Thornton Road(County road) and is many feet from any highway right-of-way and because of this, the Town can do nothing to help them.

Caretaker reported a large tree is down in Waterboro Cemetery on grave markers. Councilman Brainard will investigate this situation and report back to the Town Board.

Town Board decided to leave the port-a-john by the Firehall for the August 8th concert in the Park. Clerk will call Frantz & Russell. New contract will be sent to Randy Graham for this concert.

Councilman Chase reported that the basketball court has been sealed in the Conewango Valley Park.

Motion made by Berg to adjourn at 8:12p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Bifaro

Town Clerk/Recd. Secy.