

SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

The first monthly meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on September 9, 2015 at 7:00p.m. at the Ellington Town Hall, 813 W. Main Street, Ellington, N.Y.

PRESENT: Laura M. Cronk, Supervisor
Sharon J. Berg, Councilwoman
Jeffrey L. Chase, Councilman
Karen G. Bifaro, Town Clerk/Recd. Secy.
Dennis Colvenback, Highway Superintendent
Sandy Colvenback, resident

ABSENT: Tamara Miles, Councilwoman
Roger D. Brainard, Councilman

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

No one was present for Public Participation so this portion of the meeting was closed.

Highway Superintendent Report

Hwy. Supt. reported that he has received and reviewed many applications for a new highway employee and completed interviews. Hwy Dept. have been ditching on Old Chautauqua Road as ongoing repairs to this road. Hagerdon Hill Road intersection has been dug down 30 inches for 150 feet, drainage put in and gravel placed over. The 50 inch 20 ft. long pipe has been picked up from the Village of Lakewood for the "Community Help" project. Shaft on the tractor mower is broke so employee painted (stained) the tool shed. The D.E.C. came to inspect the fuel tanks at the highway bldg. and found them able to pass inspection as the permit is up for renewal next year. Ordered 10 new highway cones, purchased 2 new "men working" signs and a new sign with arrow for Waterman Road. Cherry Creek has called for share services this week.

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Chase to accept the Highway Superintendent report as submitted.

VOTE: 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:	#234 - #245	\$1,590.53
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#114 - #120	73,152.85
Trust & Agency Fund Claim Nos:	#19	<u>453.62</u>
ABSTRACT NO 17	TOTAL	\$75,197.00

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

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

Supervisor received the following checks for deposit:

08/18/15	\$847.90	Franchise fees-Time Warner (deposited elect.)
08/26/15	100.00	rent from Time Warner (deposited elect.)
09/09/15	443.00	Justice Court fees-Aug. 2015
09/09/15	1,816.43	Town Clerk fees-August 2015

Committee Reports

Trying to set up holiday parties with the library. Will contact someone from Fireman's Aux. about Halloween Party.

Monthly Reports

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Chase to accept the Town Clerk monthly report as submitted.

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

Motion made by Chase, seconded by Berg to accept the Building Code Officer monthly report as submitted.

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

Motion made by Chase, seconded by Berg to accept the Justice Court monthly report as submitted.

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

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

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

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Chase to accept the Assessor monthly report as submitted.

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

Motion made by Chase, seconded by Berg to accept the monthly Financial Report submitted by accountants, Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat, CPA's.

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

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Chase to accept the Budget Modifications submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat CPA's.

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

Motion made by Berg, seconded by Chase to accept the minutes of the August 26, 2015 meeting.

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

Old Business

Tree in Waterboro Cemetery was discussed. Councilman Brainard was not present to give his report.

Seal Coating has been done on parking lot and driveway at Town Hall.

The committee working on the Employee Handbook and Highway Contract will be meeting on September 23rd. Councilman Chase suggested the Highway Committee go talk with employees.

The "Welcome to Ellington" sign was discussed. New posts need to be put in ground as other sign rotted out. Caretaker has marked area where it could be placed.

Resolution No. 4-2015 "RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE SECOND NOTICE CHARGE FROM COUNTY & TOWN TAX BILLS" was read to the Town Board by the Supervisor. Poll Vote called by the Town Clerk as follows:

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

Flu Vaccination clinic is still scheduled for Sat., Oct 3rd from 10a.m. to 12noon at the Town Hall.

Haven't heard anymore from Mike Eaker about fixing the underground wiring in the Town Park.

The "Good Neighbor" project is started, a 20 ft. pipe was donated by Village of Lakewood to use at the project. A resident has donated a load of gravel. Steve Rexford will check with County Soil & Water to get clearance for being in creek.

A "sinkhole" was discovered by the caretaker in Valley View Cemetery. Gravel & topsoil will be used to fill in the large hole underground.

Supervisor met with Mr. & Mrs. Tom Fox about the lease on Conewango Valley playground. They apparently never received ease agreement and payment last year. Lease has been signed and 2014 & 2015 payments will be sent to the Foxes.

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Motion made by Berg to adjourn at 7:59p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Bifaro
Town Clerk/Recd Secy.