

AUGUST 23, 2017

The second monthly meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on August 23, 2017 at 7:00p.m. at the Ellington Town Hall, 813 W. Main Street, Ellington, N.Y.

PRESENT: Laura M. Cronk, Supervisor
Jeffrey L. Chase, Councilman
Barbara Beightol, Councilwoman
Kelly Rhinehart, Councilman
Dennis Colvenback, Highway Superintendent
Karen G. Bifaro, Town Clerk/Recording Secretary
William Duncanson, Attorney
Klaus Mandel, resident
Sandy Colvenback, resident

ABSENT: Tamara Miles, Councilwoman

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

Public Participation

No one was present for public participation so this part of the meeting was closed.

Old Business

Flagpole quotes from Geer-Dunn for the Town Park were discussed again. Ideas were of three flagpoles or just one, interior or exterior rope and different heights of flagpoles.

Discussed sending a survey to residents asking their ideas on Town's recreation program as we are having fewer children participate and no volunteers to help. Possibly send these surveys with dog renewal notices.

Allied Alarm had replaced the broken DVR and old screen with new so security system is working again.

Solar Liberty has replaced the broken invertor to the solar panels. Hopefully this will help the electric bill.

New Business

Supervisor noted information that was in Town Topics magazine about residency and electability of building code officers in Towns. It was also discussed about 2nd and 3rd Deputy Town Clerk's that are expected to live in the Town. Local law can state these appointees can come from surrounding area.

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Rhinehart to ask the Town Attorney to write a law that will allow a Building Code Officer and a 2nd & 3rd Deputy Town Clerk to live outside of the Town of Ellington but can be appointed to a position for the Town of Ellington.

VOTE: Chase-aye, Beightol-aye, Rhinehart-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Highway Superintendent Report

Millings have been placed on the rest of Wade Hill Rd. Oil & stoning of Little Rd millings and Wade Hill Rd millings has been delayed twice. The roller is out for repairs. Have been ditching on outer part of Wolcott Road. Took the right hand lane out completely, put in swamp rag and oversized stone due to the clay underneath. Placed driveway tubes on outer 28th Creek Road for a residence that is clearing the land to build a house in the spring. The thunderstorm brought down four trees across the roads that needed to be cleaned up.

Motion made by Rhinehart, seconded by Beightol to accept the Highway Supt. report as submitted.

VOTE: Chase-aye, Beightol-aye, Rhinehart-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Audit & Payment of Claims

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

General Fund Claim Nos:	#199 - #208	\$3,305.45
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#116 - #119	6,486.44
Trust & Agency Fund Claim Nos:	#30 - #33	<u>1,544.36</u>
ABSTRACT NO. 16	TOTAL	\$11,336.25

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Chase to pay the bills as submitted.

VOTE: Chase-aye, Beightol-aye, Rhinehart-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Motion made by Rhinehart, seconded by Beightol to accept the minutes of August 9, 2017 as submitted.

VOTE: Chase-aye, Beightol-aye, Rhinehart-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Committee Reports

Supervisor talked with Supervisor Snow from Town of Poland about the recreation program. Recreation Director said there were only 3 families, 4 children from Ellington that attended summer recreation. Supervisors felt that the \$600. that was discussed was too much for the small turnout.

Motion made by Rhinehart, seconded by Chase to give Town of Poland \$100.00 towards summer recreation attended by the 4 Ellington children.

VOTE: Chase-aye, Beightol-aye, Rhinehart-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Town recreation will sponsor the Halloween party for the kids this year. Discussed possibly having a hayride instead of parade. Try to get residents to volunteers their help with recreation projects. Christmas party has previously been joined with the Library. Librarian will be asked of her plans.

Prices for the flagpoles from Geer-Dunn was discussed again. 30 foot pole was discussed to put in first and add 2 other 25 ft. at a later date.

Motion made by Rhinehart, seconded by Beightol to install a 30 ft. pole in the Town Park by the bandstand as soon as plans are finished.

VOTE: Chase-aye, Beightol-aye, Rhinehart-aye, Cronk-aye Carried.

Correspondence

A thank you note will be sent to a young man that had asked his Gramma if they could clean up the Town Park after the Town Picnic. Town Board members signed the thank you note.

Motion made by Rhinehart to adjourn meeting at 8:04p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Bifaro
Town Clerk/Recd Secy