

February 10, 2021

The regular meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on February 10, 2021 at 7:00pm at the Ellington Town Hall 813 West Main St, Ellington, NY. Due to COVID 19 social distancing was observed.

Present: Karen G. Bifaro, Supervisor

David Brainard, Councilman

Kevin Colburn, Councilman

Bradley Griffith, Councilman

William Green, Highway Supervisor

William Duncanson, Town Attorney

Kate Conti, Town Clerk/Recording Secretary

Absent: Jeffrey Reynolds, Councilman

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

### **Public Participation**

With no one present for public participation, this part of the meeting was closed.

### **Highway Superintendent Report**

The Highway Department has been very busy plowing snow, hauling sand, salt, and stone. The new John Deere Loader was received January 28, 2021 along with the quick attach bucket and forks. The town pickup has been lettered "Town of Ellington" on the bug shield and plates on the tool box. The trees have been removed and cleaned up by Kravitz Tree Service.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Colburn to accept the Highway Superintendents report.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

The board discussed the ongoing concerns for year-round residency in campers. The main concern is still sewage regulation, which is the County Health Departments responsibility. A "special use" permit was discussed with concern that the enforcement would be questionable. Councilman Griffith would like to talk more with Scott Pollock, Building Code Officer before any decisions are made.

### **New Business**

A Public Employer Health Emergency Plan has to be created and put in place

before April. Attorney Duncanson will send an example to the town for review. The Board of Assessment was discussed it has been suggested that another member be added.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Colburn to accept the minutes of January 27, 2021 as submitted.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

### **Audit and Payment of Claims**

At this time the town board reviewed the bills.

General Fund Claim Nos:	#43-#63	\$71,309.86
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#22- #37	\$41,993.26
Trust & Agency (includes 2021 Comp)	#3	\$13,737.97
Fire District	#1	<u>\$96,850.00</u>
Abstract NO.3 Total		\$223,891.09

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

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

### **Committee Reports**

Councilman Brainard reported on a hung-up branch in Waterboro Cemetery.

### **Monthly Reports**

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to accept the Town Clerks Monthly Report as submitted.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Brainard to accept the Tax Collectors Report as submitted.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried

Motion made by Colburn, seconded by Brainard to accept the Building Code Officers Report as submitted.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried

Motion made by Colburn, seconded by Brainard to accept the Assessors report as submitted.

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Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried

Motion made by Colburn, Seconded by Brainard to accept the Supervisor's Deposit Reports.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Brainard- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried

**Correspondence**

There was no Correspondence to report at this time.

\*With no other business to come before the Town Board, a motion was made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate A. Conti, Town Clerk /Recording Secretary