

JANUARY 25, 2017

The second monthly meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on January 25, 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
Willian Duncanson, Attorney
Sandy Colvenback, resident
Guidance Counselor and 5 students from schools

ABSENT: Tamara Miles, Councilwoman

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

As posted, the two Dog Control Applications were opened. Supervisor appointed a committee of Councilman Chase & Councilman Rhinehart to look over applications and interview applicants. It was asked if there was the possibility of making arrangements with D.C.O.s from neighboring Towns.

Public Participation

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

Old Business

Supervisor Cronk, Councilwoman Beightol and Mike Eaker will meet Thursday afternoon to discuss the lighting possibilities in the Town Park. Councilwoman Beightol will find out the history of the mill stone that is in the Park. Roger Gilbert has been in contact with the Supervisor and has not yet set a date for the memorial service.

New Business

A letter was received from Time Warner, now Charter Communications, informing us that the franchise contract will be up for renewal in November of 2019. Attorney Duncanson suggests a meeting be planned this summer to discuss. He would like to see what other franchise agreements contain.

Highway Superintendent Report

Hwy. Supt. told the Board of the major wash out on Hunt Road of about 1,000 ft.long and 3 ft deep .South Hill road and other areas also had washouts from the heavy rains and melting snow. Gravel was obtained from Town of Cherry Creek to fill in the damaged roads. Have also had freezing rain on dirt roads. The truck has been sold on Auctions International to a Town outside of Syracuse for \$44,000. They are coming on Friday to pick it up. Auction site had 4,506 views and 150 bids on this truck. Excavator transmission leak has been repaired. The large "Road Closed" sign on Abbey Hill Ext.is missing. Hwy Supt will get another sign placed on end of road. (Town Clerk note: replacing a missing/stolen sign is another taxpayer cost!)

Motion made by Chase, 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:	#16 - #30	\$44,837.11
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#14 - #23	37,009.62
Trust & Agency Fund Claim Nos:	#1 -#3	<u>1,1821.90</u>
ABSTRACT NO. 2	TOTAL	\$83,029.63

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Rhinehart 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 January 11, 2017 as submitted.

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

Committee Reports

Recreation committee told the Town Board that the "Zoomobile" will be coming on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd from 10 -11a.m. They will be presenting "World Safari". Supervisor Cronk and Councilwoman Beightol met with MaryJane Griffith, representing the Library and Ellington Picnic Association, to discuss "movie nights" in the Town Park. The Town will host three bands on three week-ends and two movie nights.

Annual Reports

Annual reports were received from the Town Justice, Town Historian and Town Clerk.

Motion made by Chase, seconded by Beightol to accept the annual reports as submitted.

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

Correspondence

Information and maps were received pertaining to the Cassadaga Wind Project and was discussed by the Town Board.

Motion made by Rhinehart to adjourn the meeting at 7:50p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Bifaro
Town Clerk, R.M.C./Recd Secy