

March 11, 2020

The regular meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on March 11, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Ellington Town Hall, 813 West Main Street, Ellington, NY.

Present: Karen G. Bifaro, Supervisor

William Duncanson, Town Attorney

Kevin Colburn, Councilman

David Brainard, Councilman

Bradley Griffith, Councilman

Jeffrey Reynolds, Councilman

William Green, Highway Supervisor

Kate Conti, Town Clerk/Recording Secretary

Diane Reynolds

Sueellen Bennett

Bill Glow

Jennifer Mark

Erin Carlson

Michele Turk

Matt Davis

Robert Turk Jr.

Sean Horan

Barb Beightol

Kelly Reinhart

William Morales

Ester Bly

Roger Brainard

Diane L. Reynolds

Michelle Sherman

Allison Johnson

Henry Johnson

Dixie Chamberlin

Bertha Taft

Shawn Russell

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

Public Participation

* Supervisor Bifaro opened this portion of the meeting by giving a brief overview of the proposed Local Law #2 of 2020 which is to create a Moratorium on Landfill/Solid Waste Disposal or Solid Waste Storage Sites within the Town of Ellington. Attorney Duncanson stated that the purpose of the Moratorium is to stop any applications for a landfill, solid waste disposal or solid waste storage sites within the Town of Ellington for one year while the town creates a Law.

Each person was given the opportunity to speak. Attorney Duncanson answered questions that the public asked and it was the general consensus that the majority of people present were and will be in favor of creating a Law that will be made to prohibit any type of landfill or solid waste Disposal or Solid Waste Storage Site in the town of Ellington.

At this time a poll vote was taken by the Town Clerk.

POLL VOTE: Reynolds-abstained, Brainard- aye, Griffith- aye, Colburn-aye, Bifaro-aye.

Ester Bly asked how long would it take to create zoning, Attorney Duncanson said that it could take up to two years.

Roger Brainard asked to have an Executive Session with the board, at that time he was instructed by Attorney Duncanson that this request was disruptive to the agenda and suggested that he contact Supervisor Bifaro to discuss his concerns. The public participation portion of this meeting was closed.

Highway Superintendent Report

The shop drain has been fixed and is working well. Two new tires have been put on the John Deere Tractor and tractor has been serviced, the broom and mower are being worked on. Stockpiling of 1-A stone has

been underway. A decision was made to order a Hyundai HW140 from George and Swede's in Pavillion, NY. The Hyundai comes with a 5-year bumper to bumper warranty. The Town of Arkwright been approved to purchase the Volvo 180 for \$25,000. Working with Town of Arkwright hauling millings, we have received 20 loads of millings from them for this service. The cleanup of winter water issues and washouts is underway.

Motion made by Griffith seconded by Colburn to declare the Volvo Excavator Surplus.

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

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Reynolds to accept the Highway Supervisors Report as submitted.

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

Unfinished Business

*A quote from Spectrum has come in.

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Colburn to Table any decisions until further review.

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

*The hiring of a Caretaker for 2020 was discussed. The last day to accept applications is March 11, 2020. Supervisor Bifaro and Highway Supervisor Green will be conducting interviews as soon as possible.

*Tom Reed will be at the Town Hall March 21st at 3:30 pm.

New Business

Supervisor Bifaro has received a complaint from a neighbor across the street from the highway garage about a Tractor Trailer being started at a late hour. Unfortunately, at this time there is no remedy.

Audit and Payment of Claims

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

General Fund Claim Nos:	#70- #81	\$3,023.21
Highway Fund Claim Nos:	#38- #43	<u>\$10,931.25</u>
Abstract NO.5 Total		\$13,954.46

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

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

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to accept the minutes of February 26, 2020 meeting.

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

Monthly Reports

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

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

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

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

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

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

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to accept the Assessor Report as submitted.

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

Motion made by Colburn, seconded by Brainard to accept the Dog
Control Officers Report as submitted.

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

Motion made by Colburn, seconded by Brainard to accept the Financial
Report as submitted by Bahgat& Laurito-Bahgat.

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

*With no other business to come before the Town Board, a motion was
made by Brainard to adjourn at 7:42p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate A. Conti, Town Clerk /Recording Secretary