

TOWN OF CATHARINE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
APRIL 18, 2017

Members present: Supervisor John VanSoest; Councilmen: Wayne Chapman, Ronald Hoffman, C. Michael Learn; Highway Superintendent William Morgan; Guests: Larry Reynolds, Tom Ruocco; Absent Councilman Glenn Bleiler

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor VanSoest at 7 35 p.m.

PUBLIC BE HEARD:

Tom Ruocco: Wanted to tell the board about the work they did on the front door. They discovered there is a belly in the concrete right in front of the door, that causes any water on the decking to pour into the threshold. The gutters don't catch the water--the drip edge is flat causing the water to go behind the gutters instead of into them. There is also some problems in the basement also. He will come back to work on the eaves to see if that problem can be corrected, and at the same time work on the basement.

RESOLUTION 2017-20

RESOLVE that the minutes of the March 2017 minutes be approved as presented
RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Wayne Chapman
VOTE 4 ayes, no noes

RESOLUTON 2017-21

RESOLVE that the Town Clerk's report be accepted as presented to the Supervisor and Town Board
RESOLUTION by C. Michael Learn, seconded by Wayne Chapman
VOTE 4 ayes, no noes

Zoning Report: Harold has done some inspections and is trying to clear off his desk. There have been two zoning board of appeals applications placed. One of the planning board members brought to our attention that ZBA's go before the planning board before it goes to the appeals board. One is just a simple addition, but the other is more complicated. Part of the problem is that the one parcel is on either side of the road, and the septic would have to go under the road, so either the road would have to be dug up or bored under the road (which is our preference). The planning board is still working on this case and haven't sent it on to the Zoning Board of Appeals. On the other case the Planning Board is going to do some more research before they send it to the ZBA.

RESOLUTION 2017-22

RESOLVE that the Justice report be accepted as submitted to the State Comptroller and the Town Supervisor.
RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by C. Michael Learn
VOTE 4 ayes, no noes

Supervisor's report: Budget looks good--still early in the year. Most of the accounts have received all the income that was budgeted except for the DB account which is waiting on Sales tax money and CHIPS money which comes throughout the year.

RESOLUTION 2017-23

RESOLVE that the Supervisor's report be accepted as presented to the Board

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by C. Michael Learn

VOTE 4 ayes, no noes

Highway Report: The new loader came in. There was 700 hours on the old one but only we only got charged for 300. Had snow in April as everyone knew. Springs were broke on truck number 3 so they have been repaired. Been replacing cross pipes on Steam Mill Rd. Been grading Steam Mill, Texas Hollow and are headed to Hosenfeld, Lisk and Oak Hill. CHIPS funding for this year is looking like we will get \$91,000 in regular CHIPS, plus \$17,000 in Extreme Weather funding and Pave NY funding of \$20,780.68 for a total of \$128,868.05 We have filed for the extra that we MIGHT get for Winter Storm Stella also. That is not a "sure" thing, but we are prepared in case. John said that Harold stated that if we have an extreme event, we should document it with pictures (with dates) and keep a copy of any bills associated with the event.

Landfill: The meeting was on April 5. DEC wants more testing done for VOC--volatile organic compounds. Next month is the budget hearing--May 3

RESOLUTION 2017-24

RESOLVE that the following vouchers be paid G64-82 in the total of \$27,733.80 and H41-49 in the total of \$37,392.08 within funds according to the totals.

RESOLUTION by Wayne Chapman, seconded by Ronald Hoffman

VOTE 4 ayes, no noes

Unfinished business:

Landscaping of town hall--Carmella asked about getting some landscaping done around the Town Hall to make it more distinctive as to where to park and such. She suggested a sidewalk from the parking area to the entrance and also blocking off the area around the electric pole. Bill said he has ordered signs that direct people to park in the parking lot and also to not park between the signs (the entrance to the building/parking areas).

Salt Storage: Bill has been looking into salt storage. Obviously we will need to bid it out because the cost will be over \$20,000. We have two "guestimates" of 2 different sizes. Jerry Verigini and Bill went to Beaver Dams to look at a commodity shed that was about \$100,000 that would be approximately the size we would need. Bill is thinking they need a space that will hold 200 ton of sand and 300 ton of salt, which Jerry Verigini said would be about a 55x70 building. Ron indicated that going through the grant cycles, things tend to be more expensive--but if it's funded partly, then you can afford to go that way. We will wait for Jerry Verigini to give Bill more information as it becomes available.

Dumpster day is June 3, 2017 from 9-12 p.m. for Town Residents! Carmella and Diane will staff it again with some help from the Highway for the loader. Volunteers are always welcome to help out as well.

RESOLUTION 2017-25

RESOLVE that the Town Board reappoint John Murch to the Assessment Review Board for a term of 5 years.

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Wayne Chapman

VOTE 4 ayes, no noes

We also need to replace Marc Cassada on two boards as he moved out of the town. We need a replacement for the Zoning Board of Appeals and also the Assessment Review Board.

We received Letter from DOT indicating that we need to coordinate SEQR's with them.

We got a letter from Association of Towns regarding the "shared services" law that has been handed down by the Governor. Each county must set up a committee with Supervisor's and County CEO's to come up with a plan that must be submitted to the State (must be set by August 2017 and September 2017 then put out to Public comment by October 2017 and be a vote at the November election. More on this as it becomes available

A motion by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Wayne Chapman to adjourn at 8:34 pm--approved

Respectfully Submitted:

Carmella Hoffman
Town Clerk/Collector