

TOWN OF CATHARINE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
October 20, 2020

Members Present: Supervisor, Richard Lewis; Councilmen, Glenn Bleiler , Ronald Hoffman,  
Highway Superintendent, Marty Vondracek

Absent: C.Michael Learn, Jamee Mack

No Public in attendance

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Supervisor Lewis.

Public Heard: No public to be heard

Minutes: Minutes were approved with the correction of Glenn Bleiler, Deputy Supervisor  
calling the meeting to order.

RESOLUTION 69-2020

RESOLVE that the minutes of the September board meeting be accepted as corrected.

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 70-2020

RESOLVE that the September Clerk's Report be accepted as submitted to the Supervisor.

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffman

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 71-2020

RESOLVED that the September Justice Report be accepted as submitted to the State  
Comptroller and the Supervisor

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffman

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

Zoning Report: No zoning report

RESOLUTION 72-2020

RESOLVED that the September Supervisor's Report be accepted as submitted to the Supervisor

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffman

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

Highway Superintendent's Report: Marty reported that Schuyler County Soil & Water did a job  
on Swan Hill Rd. They sent 2 trucks to the Town of Montour to help with a crossover pipe.  
Marty also said that the mowing is done, fall grading is done and they have been hauling in

gravel to fix Texas Hollow Rd, Hosenfeldt Rd and Carley Rd. One truck is all set up for winter work and they hauled 2 loads of waste salt from the Town of Hector.

**RESOLUTION 73-2020**

RESOLVE that the following bills be paid G158-G179 in the total sum of \$11,201.05 and H85-H94 in the sum of \$16,285.46.

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

Unfinished Business: Rick Lewis talked with Casella and the Towns of Montour and Cayuta regarding recycling. Casella will sign a 1 or 2 year contract for guaranteed rates. The Towns of Montour and Cayuta are willing to join the Town of Catharine for recycling. Glenn Bleiler went over some revisions to the current Personnel Policy. He will make a few more revisions and present at the November board meeting. Diane Sidle got an estimate for a refurbished chair lift from Nick Barra including installation, 2 years of maintenance and removal and disposal of our old lift for \$3,000.

**RESOLUTION 74-2020**

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine purchase a refurbished chair lift with installation, 2 year maintenance and disposal of old lift from Nick Barra for \$3,000.00

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

**RESOLUTION 75-2020**

**Approval of the 2020 and 2021 Amendments to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement for the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium**

WHEREAS, the Town of Catharine is a Participant in the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium (the "Consortium"), a municipal cooperative organized under Article 47 of the New York Insurance Law, and

WHEREAS, the municipal participants in the Consortium, including this body, have approved and executed a certain Municipal Cooperation Agreement (the "Agreement"; effective date of October 1, 2010) and the 2020 and 2021 Amendments that provide for the operation and governance of the Consortium, and

WHEREAS, Article 47 of the New York Insurance Law (the "Insurance Law") and the rules and regulations of the New York State Department of Financial Services set forth certain requirements for governance of municipal cooperatives that offer self-insured municipal cooperative health insurance plans, and

WHEREAS, the Agreement sets forth in Section Q2 that continuation of the Consortium under the terms and conditions of the Agreement, or any amendments or restatements thereto, shall be subject to Board review on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) anniversary date and upon acceptance of any new Participant hereafter, and

WHEREAS, by motion nos. 005-2020 and 008 of 2020 the Consortium's Board of Directors recommends approval of the 2020 and 2021 amended agreements based on review of the document by the Governance Structure/MCA Review Committee, the New York State Department of Financial Services, and the Consortium's legal counsel, and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Cooperative Agreement requires that amendments to the agreement be presented to each participant for review and adopted by its municipal board,

WHEREAS, the Town of Catharine is in receipt of the proposed amended Agreement(s) and has determined that it is in the best interest of its constituents who are served by the Consortium to amend the Agreement as set forth in the attached 2020 and 2021 Amended Municipal Cooperative Agreements, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Catharine approves and authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to sign the 2020 and 2021 Amendments to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement of the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium, and

RESOLVED, further, that the Clerk of the Town of Catharine is hereby authorized to execute this Resolution to indicate its approval, transmit a copy thereof to the Board of Directors of the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium, and take any other such actions as may be required by law.

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 76-2020

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GREATER TOMPKINS COUNTY MUNICIPAL HEALTH INSURANCE CONSORTIUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Catharine, having complied with all application requirements to become a Participant in the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium has been accepted as a Participant, and

WHEREAS, in order to activate membership the Town of Catharine must provide additional information to complete and activate its membership in the GTCMHIC, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the following individuals are hereby designated to serve as the Director and Alternate to the GTCMHIC Board of Directors: Richard Lewis (Delegate), Glenn Bleiler (Alternate).

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

VOTE 3 ayes, 0 noes

New Business: We received an estimate from Empire Telephone for an intrusion and fire alarm system for the highway garage for \$5,014.71. Diane will check with ADT and another company for prices to go along with the other 2 we received from Bouille Electric and John Mills Electric.

Motion to Adjourn by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

Respectfully submitted

Diane Sidle  
Town Clerk/Collector

Next meeting November 17, 2020 at 7:30pm