

TOWN OF CATHARINE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
December 15, 2020

Members Present: Supervisor, Richard Lewis, Councilmen, Glenn Bleiler, Ronald Hoffman, C. Michael Learn, Jamee Mack, Highway Superintendent, Marty Vondracek

Public in attendance: Barbara Halpin

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

Public Heard: Barbara Halpin stated she was happy to see that the town was continuing recycling. She also asked if we could get the speed limit on Newtown Rd reduced to 45mph. Barbara also said she is not happy with the product that the highway department is using on the roads for snow and ice. She said that it creates a lot of dust and the product ends up at the base of her driveway after a heavy rain. Marty explained that the cost of washed sand or 1b's would raise his budget \$15,000 - \$20,000 a year.

RESOLUTION 87-2020

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine put in a request with Schuyler County Highway Dept and NYS DOT to do a study on Newtown Rd to see if the speed limit could be reduced to 45 miles per hour.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by Ronald Hoffman

VOTE: 5 ayes, 0 noes

Minutes: Minutes were approved as read with the correction of the spelling of resolve in resolution 85-2020

RESOLUTION 88-2020

RESOLVE that the minutes of the November board meeting be accepted with the above correction.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by Mike Learn

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 89-2020

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

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffman

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 90-2020

RESOLVE that the November Justice Report be accepted as submitted to the State Comptroller and the Supervisor

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffma

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Zoning Report: There is no zoning report

RESOLUTION 91-2020

RESOLVE that the November Supervisor's Report be accepted as submitted to the Supervisor
RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Jamee Mack

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Highway Superintendent's Report: Marty stated that the guys went out about 6 times so far this year for plowing and salting the roads. They replaced the air box on one of the plow trucks. He also stated that they cleaned out the pole barn and have been cleaning up the garage. The Town of Montour Highway Dept delivered the mowing tractor and around \$3,000 worth of parts. Empire Telephone is installing the new intrusion/fire alarm system in the garage Wednesday and Thursday. Marty said he would like to buy a new hot pressure washer as the old one is about 35 years old. JC Smith has a new one for approximately \$3,000 and a 2 year old used one for \$1,600. JC Smith is going to bring the used one on Monday for Marty to see if it meets his needs.

RESOLUTION 92-2020

RESOLVE that the Highway Dept purchase the used power washer for \$1,600 if it meets their needs, if not, then purchase a new pressure washer for approximately \$3,000.

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Mike Learn

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 93-2020

RESOLVE that the following bills be paid G200-G219 in the total sum of \$5,898.09 and H103-H112 in the sum of \$8,018.90.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded Mike Learn

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Unfinished Business: Recycling – Rick has contracted with Casella to supply thee 8 yard dumpster for single stream recycling. The dumpsters will be located at the Town of Catharine Highway Barns with recycling taking place on Saturdays from 9am to 11am. The Town of Cayuta has entered into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Catharine for recycling. The Town of Montour will finalize their intermunicipal agreement at their yearend meeting.

Jamee made the final revision on the procurement policy.

RESOLUTION 94-2020

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine adopt the revised Procurement Policy as presented to the Board.

RESOLUTION BY Jamee Mack, seconded by Glenn Bleiler

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Glenn will present the final revised Personnel Policy at the yearend meeting

New Business: Solar Zoning Law. It was decided that the Town of Catharine needs to amend our zoning law to include solar installations. The Planning Board will be responsible for reviewing any applications for solar installations. A Public Hearing will be planned for February with the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The yearend meeting will be Wednesday December 30, 2020 at 3pm

Motion to Adjourn by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.
All in favor

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

Respectfully submitted

Diane Sidle
Town Clerk/Collector

Next meeting December 30, 2020 at 3:00pm