

TOWN OF CATHARINE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
January 18, 2022

Members Present: Supervisor, Richard Lewis; Councilmen, Glenn Bleiler, Ronald Hoffman, C. Michael Learn, Jamee Mack; Highway Superintendent, Marty Vondracek; Code Enforcement Officer, Rick Carroll.

Public in attendance: None.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Lewis.

Public Heard: No public to be heard

Minutes: Minutes were approved as read.

RESOLUTION 1-2022

RESOLVE that the minutes of the December Year-end board meeting be accepted.

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Jamee Mack.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 2-2022

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

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Jamee Mack.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 3-2022

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

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by C. Michael Learn.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 4-2022

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

RESOLUTION by Ronald Hoffman, seconded by Jamee Mack.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 5-2022

RESOLVE that the following bills be paid G1-G25 in the total sum of \$48,112.63 and H1-H9 in the sum of \$31,240.08.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded Ronald Hoffman.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Zoning Report:

Our new Town of Catharine Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, Rick Carroll, introduced himself to the board and discussed his educational and work experience, and gave his thanks for being appointed. He is also currently working for the Town of Montour. His first call was to a house fire on County Road 14 on December 31<sup>st</sup>, and a second house fire inspection Sunday on Park Road.

He has taken two complaint calls; one on County Road 11 in Alpine regarding unlicensed vehicles, and State Route 224 in Alpine regarding a neighbor putting tires behind the house. Rick has also received calls asking questions about our zoning requirements from people looking to buy property in this area. He sorted through the piles on the desk, and found some correspondence on several different situations. He has issued one building permit, and the report is due to State in April.

#### Highway Superintendent's Report:

Since the last meeting there have been a few nuisance storms; the ice storm on January 9<sup>th</sup> and the heavy snowfall on the 17<sup>th</sup>; everything went well, but he did have to pull one truck out of a ditch, causing a late start.

Everything is up and running good, last week they got the engine out of the town Roller.

Corey's last day is January 23<sup>rd</sup>, he is going to the Schuyler County Highway Department where he will make more money. Loren Walp has been hired to fill Corey's position; Loren has good experience plowing and drives bus for ARC. Loren will start working on January 24<sup>th</sup>.

Marty talked to Dana from the Town of Montour – ordering a ten-wheeler will take 2 years out at least, to get by 2024 we would have to order now to get on the list. No upfront deposit is required, but there will be an upcharge as they won't hold the price, and we can cancel order later if needed. Marty will work on getting quotes/prices, and go from there.

#### Unfinished Business:

Jamee Mack stated that Schuyler County will be having another household hazardous waste day in July, and businesses are excluded.

Glenn Bleiler stated that he is not finished with ARPA at this time. The question of broadband coverage for Town of Catharine was brought up; Diane had contacted the school and talked with Empire with no results. Jamee Mack will talk with Kristin VanHorn about getting a map of where coverage is needed/available.

Furnace replacement – Richard Lewis spoke with Lake-to-Lake Energy regarding purchasing a new or refurbished 1,000-gallon tank for propane.

#### RESOLUTION 6-2022

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine purchase a 1,000-gallon propane tank from Lake-to-Lake Energy for the new furnace.

RESOLUTION by Glenn Bleiler, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Rental Law – The Board members received copies of the draft of the proposed rental law for review for the next meeting in February.

New Business:

Regarding the reappointment of John Murch to the Assessment Review Board, Kellie will check with Diane regarding this matter.

Annual Justice Audit – The Board members present reviewed the Annual Justice Audit and signed the form.

Motion to Adjourn by Jamee Mack, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.  
All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kellie Kretchmer  
Town Clerk/Collector

Next meeting February 15, 2022 at 7:00pm