

TOWN OF CATHARINE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 17, 2022

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

Public in attendance: Roxanna L. Johnston

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Supervisor Lewis.

Public Heard: None.

Minutes: Minutes were approved as read.

RESOLUTION 30-2022

RESOLVE that the minutes of the April board meeting be accepted.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 31-2022

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

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

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

RESOLUTION 32-2022

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

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Zoning Report: We received four applications for building permits, none have been approved so far. Rick Carroll said that he did 6 inspections; two on Upper Foothill Road, two on County Road 14, one on the Terry Hill Road remodel, and one on the new house on Oak Hill Road. He issued a Certificate of Occupancy for the property on Steam Mill Road. He handled 63 emails and 19 phone calls, and did three referrals to the planning board. He also handled complaint call for garbage and for junk vehicles. He completed three hours of continuing education.

Schuyler County denied his FOIL request for information on the number of short-term rentals in our area; they said they don't keep them. Jamee Mack will try to get information from the Schuyler County Real Property Tax Agency regarding numbers of rentals for this area.

Rick offered his suggestions for the Short-term Rental law. He does not know how much time will be required for him until we have some idea of the numbers for the town, and there are different inspection requirements for rentals if they are short-term or long-term rentals.

Additional suggestions can be given to the Town Clerk for additions into the computer copy.

Highway Superintendent's Report: Oak Hill Road ditching is finished for now; will be completed after the work is done at the new house on Oak Hill Road. The box is ordered for the International; they will call when it arrives. He has been out grading; the road is turning out good and they will start oiling Monday. He has been hauling stone in for chip sealing. The autocar was taken in for repairs. He received an additional \$20,787 for chips; but the oil prices and blacktop keep going up, so they will just do binder and not top coat on Oak Hill Road and will stone and oil it. The road is ready and they will try to get to it this month; if not then it will be done next month.

RESOLUTION 33-2022

RESOLVE that the following bills be paid: G95 – G113 in the total sum of \$19,092.99 and H43 – H53 in the sum of \$27,252.45.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by C. Michael Learn.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Unfinished Business:

ARPA: Further discussion will proceed after the Supervisor's Reports for 2022 have been received.

Furnace Replacement: The new furnace has been installed and is working.

Rental Law: Comments may be submitted to the Town Clerk for consolidation into the current file in red. Working sessions will be scheduled, as well as a public hearing when needed.

Basement Door: Clayton Snow will be working on the replacement of the basement door this month.

Watershed Report: Darrel Sturges sent in a report covering 2017 – 2022; it was reviewed by the Town Board members.

Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization: The Town Board members reviewed the information that was forwarded to them regarding this organization.

RESOLUTION 34-2022

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine join the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (CWIO). The dues will be paid by Roxanna L. Johnston, the Town of Catharine's voting representative for (CWIO).

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Supervisor's Reports:

RESOLUTION 35-2022

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine will withhold the Bookkeeper's pay until all overdue reports and paperwork has been completed, with an objection from Supervisor Lewis.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by C. Michael Learn.

VOTE 3 ayes (Jamee Mack, C. Michael Learn, Glenn Bleiler), 2 noes (Richard Lewis, Ronald Hoffman).

New Business:

Multi-Municipal Youth Group Program Renewal: A letter was received regarding the need to renew our participation in this program.

RESOLUTION 36-2022

RESOLVE that the Town of Catharine renew its participation in the Multi-Municipal Youth Group Program, with a participation fee of \$3,200 paid to the Village of Odessa.

RESOLUTION by Jamee Mack, seconded by Glenn Bleiler.

VOTE 5 ayes, 0 noes

Motion to Adjourn by Jamee Mack, seconded by Ronald Hoffman.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kellie Kretchmer
Town Clerk/Collector

Next meeting June 21, 2022 at 7:00pm