

**August 11, 2014**  
**Alexander Town Board Regular Meeting**  
**Alexander Town Hall 7:00 p.m.**

Present: Supervisor Joseph Higley  
Town Board: Roy Haller III, William Schmieder, David Miller, Eric Wagner  
H'way Supt: Tom Lowe  
Town Clerk: Laura Schmieder  
Others: Katie Goodman & Marge Kelsey-Alexander Cemetery Assoc; Gregg Torrey- County Legislator

Supervisor Higley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our military serving around the world and also the families of Edwyn Hise and James Orr.

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2014 regular meeting as presented. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Schmieder, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

Kate Goodman and Marge Kelsey were present this evening to discuss the finances of the Alexander Cemetery. The Association is having to use their savings account annually to maintain the cemetery. It takes approximately \$2000 every year just for the mowing and trimming around the headstones. In addition, there are a couple of trees that are dead and need to be taken down at a considerable expense. There are 200 – 250 gravesites left in the cemetery for purchase. Many local cemeteries have depleted their savings accounts and have been forced to turn the cemetery over to the Town to maintain. The Association is asking the Town for any financial help they can provide.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** TCWC Tour of the Creek-8/23/2014; Newsletter; Genesee County Office for the Aging; Ag Business Tour through the Chamber of Commerce - 9/23/2014

**REPORTS:**

**CEO/ZEO:** Karl provided a written report-12 permits issued in the month of July, going from re-roofs and decks to a complete house.

**Town Clerk:** a) the bad check issue has been resolved with the help of the Genesee County Sheriff's Office; b) Hunting licenses went on sale on 8/04-there are many issues with the new program; c) I shared information with the Board in regard to keeping wild animals and the report form that needs to be completed in the instance of having a wild animal as a pet; d) our dog enumerator has finished for the year;

**Building Committee:** a) the lower gutters were repaired, suggested that we install a 3 x 4 downspout as there is only the one outlet for the rain; b) our 2<sup>nd</sup> floor windows have been washed; c) our Highway Dept. did patching in our parking lot-much improved; d) the outdoor sign will be delivered tomorrow; e) need to look at replacing water damaged ceiling tiles;

**Supervisor Financial:** a) notice of AOT dues for 2015-\$800; b) sales tax check was received-7/25/2104; monthly financial statement was distributed-a couple of .4 codes are close to 100% and the Water District #2 code is over substantially-will zero out after the BAN is received;

**H'way Equipment Committee:** met on 7/28-discussed an equipment replacement plan, purchasing a big truck every 4 years and the smaller items on the off years.

**H'way Superintendent:** a) started the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of mowing the roadsides-hard to keep up with it this year; b) finished Pike Road-shoulders, etc; c) doing some ditch cleaning and have changed a few culvert pipes; d) started to purchase the road salt for winter prior to price increase;

**Youth:** the program finished on 8/08-the committee will meet to discuss any changes for 2015. The Clerk read a letter received from a resident of Bethany but a Pavilion School District family. They commended the Alexander Youth Program and hope they will continue to be able to attend our program.

**Genesee County Legislator:** Gregg Torrey discussed some issues at the County level. There is an opening on the County Youth Board-Councilman Wagner expressed interest in serving in that capacity. The County is getting closer to a solution to the Nursing Home situation. They are looking to put out an RFP as there has not been any interest in the property from local non-profit organizations. Harris Communications is still working on the Communication Towers problems-should be on-line soon.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Water District #2 Update:** E & R Construction is currently at the 4 lane section of Route 98 with the water main installation. The Clerk read the status report that was sent from Chatfield Engineers. The first job progress meeting was held on 7/31 and the next one will be 8/13/2014. The Clerk received a letter from a Route 20 resident addressed to the Board asking about the status of a water district being formed on Route 20. There is much interest from residents in that area.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RES. NO. 39: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A FIRST AMENDED ASSESSMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF BATAVIA**

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Haller, and carried, the following:

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Alexander, (hereinafter "Alexander"), and the Town of Batavia (hereinafter "Batavia"), entered into a contract entitled "Towns of Batavia and Alexander Assessment Services Agreement", dated August 1, 2012, and

**WHEREAS**, both Towns desire to continue this relationship, allowing Batavia to provide assessment services to Alexander, and

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**WHEREAS**, Batavia has determined that it continues to have the ability to provide these services by making available the Batavia Town Assessor and any other support personnel needed, and **WHEREAS**, the Batavia Town Assessor and any other personnel employed by Batavia will be and will continue to be during the term of this Agreement fully qualified as required by law to provide assessment services.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board of the Town of Alexander, New York, that a proposed “First Amended Towns of Batavia and Alexander Assessment Services Agreement”, a copy of which shall be annexed hereto and made part of the Town Board minutes, is hereby approved and the Town Supervisor is authorized and directed to sign this Agreement on behalf of the Town of Alexander. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Schmieder, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**RES. NO. 40: RE-APPOINT BARB SPRING TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilperson Wagner, and carried, to re-appoint Barb Spring to a new term on the Alexander Zoning Board of Appeals, the term being 10/01/2014 through 9/30/2019. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Schmieder, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**RES. NO. 41: BUDGET AMENDMENT**

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, the following:

**WHEREAS**, the addition of the road grader and wheeled excavator has been added to the insurance policy at a cost of \$569. and exceeds the revised B1910.4 budgeted amount, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that Contingent B1990.4 be reduced by \$569. and expense line B1910.4 be increased by \$569.

Yes – 5 Higley, Miller, Schmieder, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

**DISCUSSION:**

- Changes to zoning/Peddler’s local law
- CPP; a payroll service that the Supervisor has met with. It is the Board’s consensus to keep everything the way it is, for now.
- Fireworks Permit-the Clerk was asked for an application to hold a fireworks display. The Town of Alexander did not have one in place at that time, so a letter from the Town satisfied the request. The applicant provided the State website for this information and Alexander now has an application form that can be utilized in the future.
- Frey’s Sand & Gravel: The Supervisor has met with officials from United Materials. They are looking to renew their mining permit and have asked to change their LOM lines on the map. The Supervisor is working with Dan Spitzer of Hodgson Russ LLP on this issue. The Board will tour the Frey Sand & Gravel facility in September.
- A budget workshop has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Haller, and carried, to pay the bills on Abstract #8 as follows:

General Fund A	Vouchers 184 – 211	\$254,205.68
General Fund B	Vouchers 24 - 35	1,867.88
Highway Fund A	Voucher 8	4,637.94
Highway Fund B	Vouchers 104 – 122	113,836.63

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Supervisor Higley, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Schmieder  
Town Clerk