

July 11, 2016
Alexander Town Board Regular Meeting
Alexander Town Hall 7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Joseph Higley
Town Board: Roy Haller III, David Miller, Eric Wagner, Carol Wolfley
H'way Supt: Tom Lowe
Town Clerk: Laura Schmieder
Guests: Frey's Sand & Gravel - Peter Romano, Mike Rautenstrauch; Karl Bender; Ben Eddy

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.

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, the minutes of the June 13, 2016 Regular meeting were approved as presented. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

Peter Romano and Mike Rautenstrauch of Frey's Sand and Gravel were present this evening to discuss the current gravel mining. There is 7 – 15 years left on the Life of Mine, the reclamation is proceeding faster than in the past. They had a general discussion about working a property North of Route 20 near Browns Mill Road. It is approximately 93 acres. Would they need a variance to pursue this? They would set up a plant on the property instead of hauling it away which would cut down on truck traffic. Water table is a concern.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mercy EMS report for 5/2016; GC Smart Growth Triannual Review; Tentative Equalization Rate is 100%; GC Local Law regarding Self Insurance Plan; GCASA 2015 Annual report; Newsletters: Summer Programs at Letchworth State Park; ACS; GC Chamber Cherry Hill Campground outing

REPORTS:

CEO/ZEO: a) The zoning violation notices that were issued were discussed. b) Discussion was had about meeting with Matt Mahaney to review Town of Batavia and Village of Alexander procedures regarding code violations.

Building: a) The Town Hall was re keyed on July 11, 2016. New keys have been distributed and old keys are being returned. Supervisor Higley will contact Jeff Geer about weed control.

Clerk Review: will resume.

Financial: a) financial reports were distributed; b) John Savash will be here on the 22nd of July.

GAM: September 15, 2016 hosted by Oakfield.

H'way Supt.: Tom asked about borrowing funds to do some roadwork. The cost of asphalt is low and bond rates are low at this time also. See resolution below.

Equipment: a) see resolution below

H'way work: a) mowing is 90% complete; b) Drybridge Road is on hold until reprofiler is repaired.

Youth: a) attended the Batavia Muckdogs game; b) traveled to Bennington for bowling.

Senior Citizen: a) attended a day trip to Seneca Lake including a cruise and shopping.

The Town Clerk and Town Justice financial reports were read and filed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water Update: a) Steve Mountain and Town Attorney DiMatteo working on legal petitions for Telephone Road project; b) Grant writing is part of Steve Mountain's engineering contract with the Town.

NEW BUSINESS:

RES. NO. 42: APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES-MOUNTIAN ENGINEERING

On motion by Councilperson Higley, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, to approve the proposal for Engineering Services for Mountain Engineering as follows:

\$5,500 Preliminary Services

If water district formed:

\$26,000 Final Design

\$ 8,000 Bidding Services

\$10,500 Construction Administration

\$37,300 Construction Observation 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RES. NO. 43: APPOINT SUMMER REC EMPLOYEES

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, to appoint Nicholas Donnelly to the Rec Aide I position for the Summer Rec Program, with a salary of \$10.25 per hour, and to change Susan Housenecht's job title to Lifeguard at \$11.00 per hour (no change in salary). 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RES. NO. 44: RESIGNATION OF TOWN CLERK

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

WHEREAS, Laura Schmieder, Town Clerk has submitted a letter of resignation as Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Registrar of Vital Statistics and Clerk of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**, the Town Board accepts the letter of resignation effective August 5, 2016 and wishes her the very best in retirement. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RES. NO.45: APPOINTMENT OF TOWN CLERK

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

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WHEREAS, Lisa Lyons, Deputy Town Clerk, wishes to assume the duties of Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Registrar of Vital Statistics, and Clerk of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals for the Town of Alexander therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Town appoints Lisa Lyons to the afore mentioned positions effective August 7, 2016. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RES. NO. 46: EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:05 PM

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, to enter into executive session to discuss employment of two particular employees.

RES. NO. 47: EXECUTIVE SESSION CLOSED AT 9:20 PM

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, that the executive session ended at 9:20 PM

RES. NO. 48: APPOINT DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Wagner, and carried the following: the Town Board appoints Laura Schmieder as the Deputy Town Clerk effective August 7, 2016.

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

RES. NO. 49: SALARIES FOR TOWN CLERK AND DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

On motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilperson Miller, and carried, that the newly appointed Town Clerk will be paid the budgeted amount for 2016, effective August 7, 2016 and the newly appointed Deputy Clerk will be paid at a rate \$15.00 per hour 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RES. NO. 50: PURCHASE HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

On motion by Councilperson Wagner, seconded by Councilperson Haller, and carried:

WHEREAS, the Highway Equipment Committee met and recommends to the full Board these purchases for 2017: A mowing tractor at \$56,700 on state bid and the purchase of a one ton four wheel drive truck with a dump bed and plow at \$72,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board accepts the recommendation of the Committee and authorizes the Highway Superintendent to initiate the recommended purchases for 2017. 5 – Yes Higley, Miller, Wolfley, Haller, Wagner 0 – No Carried

RES. NO. 51: BORROWING FUNDS FOR HIGHWAY WORK

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Wagner, and carried, that the Supervisor will investigate borrowing up to \$350,000 for the paving of approximately seven miles of road, due to low cost of asphalt and low bond rates. The Supervisor will contact Municipal Solutions for repayment schedules.

RES. NO. 52: BUDGET AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, on motion by Supervisor Higley, seconded by Councilperson Miller and carried, budget line DB3501 – State Aid CHIPS – will be increased by \$121,000.00 and budget line DB5110.4 will be increased by \$121,000.00.

DISCUSSION:

- Copy/Scan/Fax Machine – still researching options.
- Discussion was had on the Assessors computer, and the Supervisor's computer being replaced.
- Supervisor will contact the Town of Batavia for a group meeting to go over zoning violation procedures.
- The budget workshop will be held on 8/24/2016 at 7:15 pm.

On motion by Councilperson Haller, seconded by Councilperson Wolfley, and carried, to pay the bills on Abstract #7 as follows:

General Fund A	Vouchers	145 - 171	\$11,646.41
General Fund B	Vouchers	23 - 31	\$1,17.58
Highway Fund A	Voucher	8	\$1,147.83
Highway Fund B	Vouchers	82 - 93	\$70,194.91

On motion by Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Haller, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa L. Lyons
Deputy Town Clerk