

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LITTLE FALLS, APRIL 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Little Falls Town Board was held on April 12, 2016 at the town hall, commencing at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Supervisor Brian Marhaver  
Councilman Allan Beadle  
Councilman William Klock  
Councilman Kirk Schwasnick  
Councilman Eric Gehring

Others Present: Town Clerk, Sandra Regan; Highway Superintendent, Donald Cotton; Town Attorney, Nick Macri; Dog Control Officer, Larry Ortleib; County Legislator, Peter Campione; Town resident, Rick Smith; Justin, Representative for CNY Solar.

RESOLUTION #34

Minute Approval

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:

Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous month's meeting, as submitted by the clerk, hereby be approved.

-Privilege of the floor was granted to those present.

-Justin, Representative from CNY Solar, distributed handouts on solar community projects and gave a brief presentation on what is involved in a community solar project.

Attorney Macri stated that when considering such a project, there's a lot of codes to consider with solar farms.

Discussion was held on whether or not the board was interested in such a project. The board agreed that the town should continue to look into the possibility of such a project, to further discuss this matter upon receipt of more information and a proposal outlining the costs involved in such a project, and to possibly hold an informational meeting for town residents.

The board thanked Justin for his attendance.

No action was taken. This matter was tabled.

-Supervisor Monthly Report:

Supervisor Marhaver reported:

-That he has submitted his monthly report for review.

-That in reviewing neighboring municipality procurement policies, as well as the state's recommendation, the town's policy seems to be in line with what others have, therefore he recommends that the town's procurement policy remain the same and that no changes be made. The board agreed. This matter was closed.

-Assessor Report: None.

Supervisor Marhaver reported that Grievance Day will be held this month. Questions were raised on what date it will be held. Supervisor Marhaver will contact Assessor Meeker to check on the date.

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-Codes Enforcer Report:

Codes Enforcer Green reported that he had received a phone call concerning the activity going on at the East Herkimer Snowmobile Club's site. Enforcer Green stated that he had gone out to the site and that the equipment on the site and driveway work is being conducted by the county, not the club. Codes Enforcer Green reported that there are four stakes in the ground by the main building and that the club may be considering building a meeting room, but at this time there is nothing going on. Codes Enforcer Green reported that he had informed the club that if they intend to do anything they would have to go before the planning board.

Codes Enforcer Green reported that his yearly report filed with the state, has been approved.

-Highway Superintendent Cotton asked Codes Enforcer Green what the regulations were on putting up a fence on a property line. Codes Enforcer Green stated that you can put the fence on the property line but recommends installing it a foot or so from the property line to allow for mowing and such.

Superintendent Cotton reported that he had received quotes for fencing. Discussion was held on this with the board deciding to table this matter until more information was received as to what exactly the town needed.

-Justice Report:

Supervisor Marhaver reported that the Justice's monthly deposit has been made.

-Planning Board Report:

Clerk Regan reported that the Planning Board will hold a re-organization meeting next month.

-Health Officer Report:

Supervisor Marhaver reported that the town is still in need of an officer.

-Dog Control Officer Report:

The board questioned Dog Control Officer Ortleib what was going on with the Pendergrass dog situation. Officer Ortleib reported that the postman had been bitten by the dog, that he had went and wrote up a statement and took it to the judge. Officer Ortleib reported that there were others who wanted to make statements, which he wrote up and took to the judge.

Attorney Macri stated that there has been a request for a change in the venue and the resident's attorney has been notified. Attorney Macri reported that the owner wants to get rid of the dog and that there is possible legal action pending in this matter.

There was no further discussion on this matter.

Supervisor Marhaver questioned Officer Ortleib what his turn around on phone calls was. Officer Ortleib stated that he returns the calls as soon as he can.

-Highway Superintendent Report:

-Superintendent Cotton reported that he had received quotes from Cusworth Door to fix the seals and replace the bottom panels at a cost of \$3,301.00. The board approved the purchase.

-Superintendent Cotton reported that the new truck has been delivered.

RESOLUTION #35

Authorization to have Garage Doors Fixed

-On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Klock, the following resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

Supervisor Marhaver	Aye
Councilman Beadle	Aye
Councilman Schwasnick	Aye
Councilman Klock	Aye
Councilman Gehring	Aye

RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Highway Superintendent to have the Town Garage Doors fixed and the bottom panels replaced by Cusworth Door at a cost of \$3,301.00 as quoted.

-Superintendent Cotton asked the board about auctioning off the town's old equipment on the internet through Auctions International. This matter was tabled to allow the board more time to consider this request.

-Town Clerk Report:

-Clerk Regan asked if the Planning Board's raise to \$30.00 per meeting was approved. Supervisor Marhaver stated that it is.

-Clerk Regan asked the board if the new tire pricing and the format of the notice for the Annual Spring Cleanup was okay. The board said they approved of such.

RESOLUTION #36

Approval of Annual Spring Cleanup Notice and Authorization for Publication

On motion of Councilman Beadle, seconded by Supervisor Marhaver, the following resolution was ADOPTED:

Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring  
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the pricing for tires and the format of the notice for the Annual Spring Cleanup, as reviewed by the board, hereby be approved and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk hereby be authorized to advertise said notice in the Times Telegram at her discretion.

-Meeting recessed at 8:01 p.m. to audit the bills.

-Meeting resumed at 8:10 p.m.

RESOLUTION #37

Payment of General Bills

On motion of Councilman Klock, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:

Ayes- Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen, Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring  
Noes-0

RESOLVED that the General Bills #28-39 in the amount of \$21,833.24 hereby be paid.

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RESOLUTION #38

Payment of Highway Bills

On motion of Councilman Gehring, seconded by Councilman Schwasnick, the following resolution was ADOPTED-vote:

Ayes-Supervisor Marhaver; Councilmen Beadle, Schwasnick, Klock, Gehring

RESOLVED that the Highway Bills, #53-64, in the amount of \$15,458.31 hereby be paid.

-The next regular meeting will be held on May 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.-Councilmen Klock, Beadle

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandra Regan