

August 8, 2018
Town of Erin Board Meeting

Supervisor Schmidt called the regular meeting of the Erin Town Board to order on this date at 7:00 PM. She then asked the Clerk to call the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Daniel Cleveland, Daniel Delorme, Michael Shutts, Dawn Schmidt.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Randy Evans.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Irene & Willie Lind, Edwin Masin, Gary Ratchford, Tom & Jeanne Dolaway, John W. Spencer, Harold Spencer, David A. Reedy, Christopher Arnold, Renee L. Arnold (Cayuta) J. Shedio, Joshua Blauvelt, Mark Margeson, Theresa Henderson, Marjorie Krejcar, Michelle Saxbury (Cayuta), Fred Houck.

Supervisor Schmidt welcomed everyone and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by D. Cleveland and seconded by D. Delorme to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the regular Board Meeting on July 11, 2018 and approve the minutes.
Motion Carried: Ayes: D. Cleveland, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Town Clerk has scheduled a rabies clinic on September 19, 2018 from 6-8 PM at the Erin Town Hall.
- Clerk reads an email from Hon. Kyle M. Wieder, Erin Town Justice, regarding 100+ uncollected fine notices from past years totaling almost \$40,000 he is attempting to collect.

AGENDA FOR THE TOWN OF ERIN BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 8, 2018;

1. RESOLUTION 29-2018 AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSERS
2. RESOLUTION 30-2018 INITIATING SHARED SERVICE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT
3. RESOLUTION 31-2018 ADOPT MEDICAL INSURANCE POLICY

RESOLUTION 29-2018
AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS

Resolution By: D. Delorme
Seconded by: D. Cleveland

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Erin hereby authorizes the amendment of the town 2018 budget:

Fund		Debit	Credit
A1220.1	Supervisor – Personal Services		\$ 540.00
A1220.4	Supervisor – Contractual		69.15
A3310.4	Soil & Water - Contractual		2,696.20
A3620.1	Safety Insp – Personal Services		1,112.00

A7110.4	Park & Rec - Contractual		5,485.15
A599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 9,902.50	
Total for A fund		\$ 9,902.50	\$ 9,902.50
Fund		Debit	Credit
DA9050.8	Unemployment Insurance		\$ 4,077.77
DA599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 4,077.77	
Total for A fund		\$ 4,077.77	\$ 4,077.77

Motion Carried: Ayes: D. Cleveland, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION 30-2018

RESOLUTION INITIATING SHARED SERVICE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Resolution By: M. Shutts

Seconded By: D. Delorme

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Erin will initiate shared municipal agreement between the Town of Erin and Chemung County effective August 8, 2018 until December 31, 2019.

Motion Carried: Ayes: D. Cleveland, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION 31-2018

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT MEDICAL INSURANCE POLICY

Resolution By: D. Delorme

Seconded By: M. Shutts

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Erin Board adopts a medical insurance policy effective August 8, 2018

Eligibility – The Town currently offers medical insurance coverage, which includes medical and prescription benefits and a separate dental, vision policy, to each full-time employee. A part-time, temporary, or seasonal employee is not eligible for medical insurance coverage. A description of the plan may be obtained from the Town Clerk.

When Coverage Begins – Coverage will begin on the first day of the month following the employee’s date of hire provided all eligibility requirements of the insurance plan are met.

When Coverage Ends – Coverage ends on the last day of the month in which the employee separates from employment. Coverage may continue for such eligible employees in accordance with COBRA/NYS

Continuation of Coverage regulations. Coverage will continue for eligible retirees in accordance with Town policy and plan documents.

Premium Payment – The amount of the employee’s contribution is established at the discretion of the Town Board.

Motion Carried: D. Cleveland, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Attorney-Supervisor Schmidt reported the Attorney sent a letter to Excellus BC/BS regarding Mr. Baldwin’s 21 days of additional insurance. It is cheaper to pay the additional insurance for the coverage rather than to pay his medical bills. Trying to get Excellus to accept this proposal and another reverse of denial was done today.

Planning Board-Deda Cedar-Working on updating and clarifying the Code Book with John. The new member seems to be a good fit. Still have an opening for one (1) member and two (2) alternates.

Planning Board Liaison-Dan Cleveland-Need more members.

Parks, Recreation and Senior Committee-Deda Cedar-No longer having spaghetti dinners. Only averaged about 18 customers. From January-May each dinner only made a profit of \$32.50. Square dancing will be October 20. Seabreeze trip is August 14. Farmers Market vendors are not that dedicated. Some weeks there are no vendors. Held a bake sale for the park and made \$30.00. The Zucchini Race is August 18. Town wide rummage sale is August 25. Steve is still working on the little library. The softball did not pan out. The Food Truck did 78 households and served 187 people. Four (4) people attended the computer training for the Food Bank. Senior trip is August 22 to Fairport and tickets are \$20.00. September 25 is the trip to the Bloomsburg Fair.

Code Enforcement-John McCracken-Proposed five (5) new homes going throughout the town. Working with owners on plans. Most of the town is covered with violation notices. 90% are compliant after 2, 3, 4 trips. It is a misdemeanor if an appearance ticket is issued. The Town does not have to put out a State bid for cleanup if under \$20,000 threshold. Reached out to three (3) different companies, only one (1) submitted an estimate. The Town will issue a work order and the private company will clean up, bill the Town, the Town adds in administration fee and bills the owner. After 30 days, if it goes unpaid, the Town puts the bill on the property as a tax lien. Will work with Kim and have something for the next meeting.

Highway Superintendent-Steve Tyler- Grading and raking roads, repairing roads that had washouts from all the heavy rain. Several trees came down with the storms that had to be cleaned up and removed. The grader broke down and with the County’s help, parts were ordered and repairs completed. Due to condition of Walker Hill being unsafe to use, it was closed until a decision is made as to whether it will be repaired or remain closed. One of the days it rained, a load of scrap metal was taken to the scrap yard and a check was turned in for \$382.80. The playground fence has been installed. Have to order chips for the playground and have them delivered.

County Representatives-Brian Hyland-Supervisor Schmidt reported that Brian was helpful and got a grant to pay for the fencing on the playground.

Supervisor-Dawn Schmidt-Request from the Woolever family on a dedication for the courtroom is still waiting for public input. Read the process in regard to Walker Hill Road closure/alternatives per legal counsel notes. The Assessor is looking into how the road was acquired. It is unsafe at this time due to weather issues and more frequently used roads will be priority. Bob Wood presented a petition with signatures of people that travel Walker Hill Road to the Supervisor.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan Delorme-Rural Broadband Committee still trying to figure out where Spectrum is putting in cable and based off of that information what path, as a county, to get broadband to every house. There is a meeting next Tuesday morning.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

David Reedy-Burlingame Road, Cayuta-Councilman in the Town of Cayuta for 12 years. Process to close Walker Hill Road is extensive and difficult.

Christopher Arnold-170 Squires Road, Erin, Town of Cayuta-Feels Walker Hill Road is no worse than it was before the rain. Would like the road fixed, it is a shortcut for people, it is a well-established road, would be used more if it was a passable road. Talked about other roads, maintenance, cost, and offered other solutions. A discussion ensued with residents and Town Board members. Issue was brought to the Board as a consideration, need to follow process, at the information stage.

Bob Wood-Laurel Hill Road-Way the roads have had crown taken out of them and left with a berm, the water cannot get to the ditch. Put the crown back in the road and fix the ditches.

Josh Blauvelt-Park Station Road-Walker Hill Road is still used in the winter by snowmobilers to connect to other trails. At one time, Walker Hill Road was part of the NYS Trail System. It is not currently. Asked if there were plans to resurface Park Station Road with something other than dirt. Steve said it would be regraded in order to have stone and oil put down.

Gary Ratchford-164 Breesport Road-A contractor that did work on the Historical Society fell off a roof and passed away. Mark Margeson is a good man, he is running against Ken Miller and has been at many events in Erin.

Fred Houck-224 Squires Road, Cayuta-Asked about Spectrum and broadband options for Schuyler County versus Chemung County. A discussion ensued with residents and Town Board Members with reference to density/population, counties, grants, and options.

With no further comments from the public Supervisor Schmidt closed this portion of the meeting.

A motion was made by M. Shutts and seconded by D. Delorme to pay the audited bills as they appear on the General Fund Abstract 8, #184-194, totaling \$5,653.95; and the Highway Fund Abstract 8, #129-145, totaling \$65,765.09.

Motion Carried: Ayes: D. Cleveland, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

A motion was made by D. Cleveland and seconded by D. Delorme to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 PM.

Motion Carried: Ayes: D. Cleveland, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

Town Clerk

