

March 13, 2019
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, Randy Evans, Daniel Delorme, Michael Shutts, Dawn Schmidt.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Irene & Willie Lind, Darrell & Gayle Ackerman, Edwin Masin, Gary Ratchford, Marge Krejcar, Maureen & Harold Spencer, Mark Margeson, Barbara Burlew, Ken Elston, Theresa Henderson.

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 February 13, 2019 and approve the minutes. Motion Carried: Ayes: D. Cleveland, R. Evans, D. Delorme, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Free rabies clinic at the Chemung County Health Department on Sunday, March 24, 2019 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm.
- Mandatory Sexual Harassment Prevention Workshop will be on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 from 4:00 pm-6:00 pm prior to the Board Meeting for all Town Board members and highway crew. Anyone taking it through another place of employment needs to provide proof.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Attorney-Close to finalizing 2017 Justice paperwork. Kyle received the information from the state today. A voucher will be submitted for payment. In regards to the special use permit that was issued to the solar farm two years ago, we cannot stop it. There was no time frame stating an expiration date.

Planning Board-Deda Cedar-Working on another solar farm from Nexamp on the Elston property. The SEQR hearing will be Monday, March 25, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Working on code enforcement section of the law and requested John's help. Will tie section into Town Law at their next meeting and give it to the Town Board next month. Henderson's questioned a sugarhouse alternative activity that they would like to do. It does not require a special use permit because it is not on a permanent basis. They were unable to do a resolution on a solar moratorium because of two new members who would like more information. Dawn recommended asking Kim to attend their next meeting to help walk members through the process. Will have a recommendation at the next board meeting. Have a full board but still looking for two alternates.

Planning Board Liaison-Dan Cleveland-Have a very good Planning Board with good discussions, seeking professional advice when needed. Still need two alternates if anyone is interested.

Parks, Recreation and Senior Committee-Deda Cedar-The Easter Egg Hunt will be at the Town Hall on April 13, 2019 at 1:00 pm. Open to everyone and up to age 12 can hunt eggs. Seniors are planning a trip to Del Lago Resort & Casino on April 23, 2019. That is all that is planned right now. Continuing to work on Wood Fest.

Code Enforcement Officer-John McCracken-Talking with Kim on the first special use permit that was granted. They need to submit plans. Waiting to hear back from them. We need to make it clear that there is an annual fee for special use permits that is paid to the town. Yearly inspections are conducted and are included in the annual fee. Sending out violation notices. Year-end report was submitted and the assessor received a copy.

Highway Superintendent-Steve Tyler-Since our last meeting we have been plowing and cindering roads as needed. We've been trimming trees, steaming frozen pipes, repairing equipment, changing oil and servicing all our summer equipment. We put up the St. Patrick's Day flags. We also took two (2) loads of scrap metal down and I have a check for the Town Supervisor in the amount of \$501.00. Continuing paperwork for FEMA.

County Representatives-Mark Margeson-Working with Dan on broadband issue. There is an RFP going out of purchasing this week. It is a proposal for research to continue the process. Will start to see more activity. Advertising the Wood Fest through the Chamber and the County to get the information out. Also working with the Chamber on a possible opportunity for a grant to help with finances. Dawn asked about sales tax. Mark is meeting with Chris tomorrow and he will ask at that time. Dan Cleveland thanked Mark for being independent enough for the vote. Regardless of the issue, he appreciates the vote to stand up. Mark went on to explain the background and issues surrounding the firing of the legislature's attorney. Let's follow the rules, put a committee together and discuss the issues and update the charter. Dan Delorme spoke about broadband and bundling the RFP with the study data from last year and sending it out to smaller companies. Feels like it is moving again.

Supervisor-Dawn Schmidt- Mark is trying to get funding for the Wood Fest. It is a major event and does a lot for our community. Historical Society reported on the St. Patrick's Day festival. Not as big a turnout as previous years. Had 111 raffles provided. Church breakfast and pie sale is this Saturday.

Asked John about Mr. VanSkiver's inspection. He found a few things that need to be fixed and will get a final report once they are completed. Also asked John about the door between the court and main office. Needs a locksmith to put a handle on the door and then contact CPE to do the security. Needs to get together with Mike to wire cameras. A reminder that two (2) Board seats are up for election this year. Petitions need to be circulated for those interested. Deda was given the Food Bank agreement that needs to be completed before Dawn can sign. In regards to property cleanup-the City of Elmira has a process already in place with contracts and are willing to allow us to share services. It would be charged per project according to John.

Motion made by D. Delorme and seconded by D. Cleveland to move forward with developing shared service agreement with the City of Elmira for property cleanup with code enforcement.

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

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Theresa Henderson-Wondering when John was available to come and check her buildings. Event is March 23-24 and March 30 & 31. John will inspect tomorrow evening.

Harold Spencer-1620 Breesport Road-Asked if he could participate in the Easter Egg Hunt too!!

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 R. Evans to pay the audited bills as they appear on the General Fund Abstract 3, #46-67, totaling \$8,032.96; and the Highway Fund Abstract 3, #29-43, totaling \$47,320.33; and the Street Lighting Fund Abstract 3 #58 & 62, totaling \$180.84; and the Fire District Fund Abstract 3, #47, totaling \$151,167.00.

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

A motion was made by D. Delorme and seconded by D. Cleveland to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 PM.

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

Erin Town Clerk