

OPENING of Town Board meeting by Supervisor Fred Heisler @  
6:30PM

ROLL CALL/PLEDGE:

LATE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REMARKS: Executive Session during the meeting

ATTENDANCE in addition to Supervisor Heisler:

Councilman Mike Evans  
Councilman John Cammarata  
Councilman Bob Whitmore  
Councilman Karl Ludwig

ALSO:  
Alison Owens, Town Clerk  
Tracy Oliver, Hwy. Sup't.  
Jeff Lowe, Assessor

CORRESPONDENCE

6:40PM

C1) letter from Charter Communications regarding changes

NEW BUSINESS None

6:45PM

OLD BUSINESS (UPDATES IF ANY)

6:45PM

OB1) update on phone system: the system itself is working. People are able to contact or leave messages for the Town Clerk, Hwy Sup't, Judge, Assessor and Supervisor. The billing for the reduction of 4 lines to 2 seems to have had little effect on the price and it is perhaps a little more expensive now than it used to be. There is a separate internet connection for the Town Barn.

OB2) update on back-up generator: Supervisor Heisler has not yet caught up with someone who has a trench digger to dig a trench from the propane tank at the back of the Community Center to the generator location located at the entrance area of the Community Center. Until further contact and/or arrangements can be made, things will be put on hold.

OB3) update on electronic signpost for Community Center: wiring is in place. Fred Eaton has said he can finish up the framework sometime in October.

OB4) update on outdoor restrooms: Central Plumbing and Heating has been notified the keys are available and they will be taking over the maintenance of the outdoor restrooms.

OB5) update on land for Fire Dept.; nothing more. This will be removed from the agenda.

REPORTS

7:15PM

R1.) Highway: report submitted.

- Moved Welcome to Smithville sign
- Work being done on Tucker, Joscelyn Rds.
- Exhaust on 2010 International continues to have problems

- Voosan work done
- Grader is losing power, has mechanic coming to work on it
- Extra rain produces flooding from beavers
- 2 small leaks in old section of TB roof. Hwy Supt will take a look at it
- The yellow 550 truck is ready to be retired. The Hwy Dept can probably go without another pickup for the winter. The yellow 550 can be put on auction but it probably not get more than \$2-3,000. The Hwy Sup't would like a minimum of an F350 so a sander, perhaps a plow could be hooked into it. Supervisor Heisler indicated there is \$65,000 in major equipment and another \$10-15K will be added January 1st. The Highway Committee will work with Hwy Supt to come up with a plan. Councilman Whitmore voiced the opinion that a different grader is the piece of equipment the Town should be looking at.
- Shawn Fry, Chenango County DPW, sent material for **Shared Hwy Services Agreement** which includes a 30 day "out" clause. County and Town cover insurance limits of not less than 1M. This agreement allows for a County truck to be housed at the Smithville Town Barn during winter snow plowing months.

**RESOLUTION # 33 (2018): AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHENANGO COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF SMITHVILLE FOR TOWN BARN SPACE**

On a motion by Councilman Ludwig, 2<sup>ND</sup> by Councilman Cammarata, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES                    Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Heisler, Whitmore  
 NAYES                 0

RESOLVED to authorize Supervisor Heisler to sign the Chenango County agreement for Shared Hwy Services to allow a Chenango County truck to be housed in the Town of Smithville Highway Barn during the winter snow and ice months.

R2) Assessor: report submitted. Still catching up on inventory

**Executive Session:** On a motion by Supervisor Heisler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Ludwig, all five Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler in favor, motion carried. Into Executive session at 7:10pm to discuss an employee issue.

A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Supervisor Heisler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Ludwig, all 5 Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler in favor, motion carried. Out of Executive session at all five Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler in favor, motion carried. Into Executive at 7:24pm

R3.) Enforcement Officer: no report submitted County: report not submitted.

R4.) Planning Board: minutes submitted. Some questions have been raised about the Road Agreement Local Law so the Planning Board will be reviewing the Local Law and concerns at the October meeting to see if clarifications should be made to it.

- 5.) DCO: no report submitted.
- R6.) Attorney: no report submitted
- R7.) vacant
- R8.) Custodian: no report submitted

R9.) **Playground Committee/Eagle Scout project:** Mindy Eldred reported for the Eagle Scout project: the old playground set will be torn down Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30am. It will be a Community wide effort. The funding for the new playground set have been successful drives; ie pancake breakfasts, yard sales, metal recycling and are now close to \$13,000. The playground desired is on sale at the moment with the projected cost at \$15,000., shipping is \$1900., installation in early spring 2019. For the winter it can be stored in the Pavilion. Mrs. Eldred questioned if approx \$5,000. From the Bottle fund be given to help make the purchase /shipping at the discounted price? They would need in the next couple of weeks.. The old one will be recycled. Board members agreed that withdrawing \$5,000 from the Bottle Fund would be appropriate to help with the Playground.

**RESOLUTION # 34 (2018): AUTHORIZE \$5,000. TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM BOTTLE FUND TOWARD PURCHASE OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT THE FOR EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

On a motion by Supervisor Heisler, 2<sup>ND</sup> by Councilman Evans, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES                    Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Heisler, Whitmore  
 NAYES                    0

RESOLVED to authorize withdrawal of \$5,000 from the Bottle Youth Fund to aid in the purchase and completion of an Eagle Scout project at the playground.

R10) Town Clerk: report submitted. Town Clerk Owens requested purchase of a covered 12x18 bulletin board for posting Town Clerk, Assessor and Court hours. This will be installed next to the door. Previous hours were posted on the door with tape but since the building was just painted, a different sign is needed. Several options were reviewed with Board members deciding on one by Displays2go Bulletin Board for \$83.72 + shipping from Amazon. A Resolution was made:

**RESOLUTION # 35 (2018): PURCHASE COVERED BULLETIN BOARD FOR DISPLAY OF TOWN CLERK, ASSESSOR AND JUSTICE HOURS.**

On a motion by Councilman Cammarata, 2<sup>ND</sup> by Councilman Ludwig, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

AYES                    Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Heisler, Whitmore  
 NAYES                    0

RESOLVED to authorize purchase of a covered 12x18 bulletin board at a cost of \$83.72 + shipping

for posting Town Clerk, Assessor and Court hours. This will be taken from Contingency A1990.4.

There was additional discussion on the Overhead door for back of Pavilion. The door was damaged by vandalism this summer as it is very old and weak. Board members asked if a thin steel insulated door would be a good replacement? Or would storage shed doors work? It was decided Supervisor Heisler would call Overhead Door to discuss options and cost.

R11) vacant

R12) Supervisor's Report: report submitted. The painting contract added \$1200. Extra for the bucket truck which was in the revised but not original contract. The amount was reduced to \$1000. because the contract was not clear on the usage of the bucket truck. A motion to pay Birdsall Painting the remainder of the billing for \$1000. was made.

**RESOLUTION # 36 (2018): PAY REMAINING \$1000. ON BIRDSALL PAINTING CONTRACT**

On a motion by Councilman Ludwig, 2<sup>ND</sup> by Councilman Whitmore, the following Resolution was ADOPTED.

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| AYES    | Ludwig, Evans, Heisler, Whitmore |
| NAYES   | 0                                |
| ABSTAIN | Cammarata                        |

RESOLVED to pay the remaining \$1000. For the Birdsall Painting contract invoice for the use of the bucket truck.

A motion to accept the Supervisor's report was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Evans. All 5 Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVAL for August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 \*

8:20PM

The minutes of the August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes of the meeting was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Whitmore. All 5 Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

WARRANTS

8:30PM

General Warrant # 9, Vouchers # 114-128, in the amount of \$ 90,046.98 was reviewed for payment. A motion to pay these claims was made by Councilman Ludwig, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman

Whitmore. All 5 Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

Highway Warrant # 9, Vouchers # 109-120, in the amount \$ 38,084.93 was reviewed for payment. A motion to pay these claims was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Ludwig. All 5 Board members: Ludwig, Cammarata, Evans, Whitmore and Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

OTHER: Budget work

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:43pm by Supervisor Heisler.

Alison B. Owens

Smithville Town Clerk