

# Town Board ★★★★★★★★★★



Council Members Present: Supervisor Anthony Lucenti, Councilwoman Bette Szesny, Councilmen Rodney Dodge, Joe Juliano, and Eric Kane. Also present were: Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson, Assessor George Haskell, Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green, Town Attorney Jennifer Chrisman, ZBA Chairman Ronald Beach, Planning Board Chairperson Donna Salamone, Fire Chief John Scholl III, Town residents Richard & Jean Finster, Dale Dodge, Donna & Paul Wojcik, Tim Riecker, Joe Boulia, Peter Cardone Jr. and Herkimer County Executive Director John Piseck.

## **PUBLIC HEARING — 5:30 PM**

### **ZONING CHANGE: HERKIMER COUNTY IDA PROPERTY**

Supervisor Lucenti said we will now open the Public Hearing regarding the Zoning Change from Commercial Highway to Planned Development. He said this is property ID #105.3-1-3-1. He asked if there were any questions or comments; there were none. He then closed the Public Hearing at 5:40 PM.

## **PUBLIC HEARING — 5:45 PM**

### **ATTENDANCE & TRAINING POLICY**

#### **PLANNING BOARD & ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Supervisor Lucenti said we will now open the Public Hearing regarding the Attendance & Training Policy for both Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. He said the Town Attorney made up the policy according to NYS Town Laws #267 and #271. There were some questions asked and resolved, and the Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

## **REGULAR MEETING**

Supervisor Lucenti led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**PAY BILLS** — Motion by Kane, Second by Szesny that the bills for the past month be paid as presented General # 108 to 135 and Highway # 93 to #110; all in favor.

**MINUTES: APRIL 10 & APRIL 23, 2019** — Motion by Szesny, second by Juliano that the Town Board dispense with the reading of the minutes of April 10 & 23, 2019, and approve them as printed; all in favor.

**RESIDENT COMMENT:** None.

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT: BY GEORGE HASKELL** — Assessor George Haskell said the 2019 tentative roll has been received from Herkimer County, and it's in the Clerk's office. He said he will have office hours on 5/18/19 from 9:00 AM until 1:30 PM, and Grievance Day will be May 29, 2019.

**CODES REPORT: BY PHILIP GREEN** — Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green said he will have two court cases on Monday. He said building permits are coming in. Supervisor Lucenti asked Mr. Green about the Field of Dreams retention pond, as to who was responsible for maintenance. Mr. Green said the Field of Dreams is responsible for the upkeep, and he stated he would look into it. Mr. Green said the Dollar General is moving along. Fire Chief John Scholl III wanted to know about the Mass

Gathering Law. Supervisor Lucenti said it is a Local Law now.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT** — Supervisor Lucenti said he needs a motion regarding the amendment of the zoning change Public Hearing which we just had. Motion by Szesny, second by Juliano authorizing the amendment of the zoning map from Commercial Highway to Planned Development. Motion by Kane, second by Dodge regarding property ID #105.3-1-3-1 change from physical address #163 to #185 Drive In Road; all in favor.

**MS4 WATER REPORT** — Supervisor Lucenti said Barb has been working on the MS4 Water Report which has to be filed with the DEC by June 1, 2019. He said JoAnne Humphreys has left, and the Town Clerk was told she could do it with help of Oneida County Soil & Water. Supervisor Lucenti said Barb saved the Town quite a bit of money. Motion by Kane, second by Szesny to accept the MS4 Water Report for 2019 and mail it to the DEC before June 1, 2019; all in favor.

**GRAHAM ROAD REQUEST FOR PUBLIC WATER** — Supervisor Lucenti said we have some residents here from Graham Road. There was a discussion regarding their request, as they requested water and did not receive it due to MVWA's litigation with the Canal Corporation several years ago. Councilwoman Bette Szesny said she will see what she can do for them, as there is a meeting next Monday. She said years ago there was funding available, but due to the litigation, that funding was lost. She said the request for water will be starting at ground zero.

**ADIRONDACK FINANCIAL SERVICES MEETING** — Supervisor Lucenti said he has a meeting with Adirondack Financial Services on May 14, 2019 at 2:00 PM.

**HERKIMER COUNTY MASTER PLAN: CONTRIBUTION?** Executive Director John Piseck from Herkimer County I.D.A. said they are in the process of making a county wide master Plan for Herkimer County and they want the Town Board to be made aware of that. He said they are looking for a \$1,000.00 contribution from the Town of Schuyler. Motion by Dodge, second by Juliano for a \$1,000.00 contribution from the Town of Schuyler towards the Master Plan; all in favor.

**NATIONAL GRID LED LIGHTING** — Supervisor Lucenti said he received notice from National Grid regarding street lights. He said National Grid wanted to know if the Town wanted all the lights to be replaced by LED, or replace them when they blow out. He suggests replacement when they have blown out.

L.F. Power will be placing additional power lines from Edick Road, Marcy to New Scotland, New York on the current poles; however, some poles will have an F shape for the purpose of adding more lines on those poles. He said that will take place in either 2022 or 2023.

**LAZZARO GAS STATION:**

**FUTURE MEETING WITH COUNTY IDA & DEC** — Supervisor Lucenti said it is on hold until 2020. John Piscek has helped the Town with a Pilot Program Grant.

**E. SCHUYLER WATER LINE EXENSION MEETING: APRIL 23, 2019**

Supervisor Lucenti said the meeting went very well. He said there were some owners who did not mail back the card, with either a yes or no for water. He said they will send another letter. He said he received three replies that wanted water.

**OFFICE BUILDING: REPAIR OF FALLING PLASTER BOARD & PAINTED/STAINED SOFFIT**

— Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he received a quote of \$5,300.00 to clean and paint the face of the soffit on the building. A discussion was held regarding the damage on the front of the building, which is plasterboard for outside ceiling, and it was recommended to eliminate that and put a metal soffit underneath, not plasterboard. Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he will get a quote on that.

**PARK RANGER INSPECTION**

— Park Ranger Joe Boulia asked the Town Board when they wanted to inspect the Town Park. It was decided to do a walk thru on May 15, 2019 at 6:00 PM. Joe told Town Board that he called the director of AYSO regarding the Soccer Field at least six times and he received no call back. He said they are not using the Town Park for soccer due to fact they are working with Poland. He said he wants the soccer equipment out of there; otherwise it will be impossible to mow. It was decided to move it out of the way.

**HIGHWAY REPORT: BY SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS PHIL JOHNSON**

— Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said there are changes in the CHIP funding. He said he also lost funding from Extreme Winter Recovery Program. He said the roads he plans on doing is Drive Inn Road and Moss Road. He said he is waiting for estimate from Suite-Kote and Hanson. He said Drive Inn Road will be widened due to heavy truck traffic and have a 3 inch overlay. He said the men will be working on Graham and Johnson Road. Superintendent of Highways said he has ordered the new truck and it should be here either November or December, then it will go to Watertown to Henderson.

Councilman Joe Juliano said the work on the Town Garage will be started June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

**SEALING OF PARKING LOT** — Supervisor Lucenti asked the Town Clerk if she received any estimates on sealing and marking the Parking lot at 2090 State Route 5. She said she received one estimate for \$ 2500.00 from PLS. Superintendent Johnson said he will contact PLS Asphalt Maintenance. Motion by Juliano, second by Dodge to have PLS Asphalt Maintenance do the work of sealing the parking lots at 2090 State Route 5.

**SEWER LINE CLEARING BY JOE JULIANO:** Supervisor Lucenti said Joe Juliano and Eric Kane walked the sewer line and said everything looks good.

**EXTRAVAGANZA REPORT: COSMO PELEGRINO** — Supervisor Lucenti said 14 people attended the last meeting.

**WATER BOARD REPORT: BY BETTE SZESNY**

— Councilwoman Szesny said there is no agenda yet for the next meeting.

**PLANNING BOARD REPORT: BY BETTE SZESNY** — Motion by Kane, second by Dodge to adopt the attendance and training policy for both Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals; all in favor. Supervisor Lucenti said Jeff Dingman worked on the Master Plan for Schuyler, and it has been submitted. Councilwoman Szesny said they will be working on the zoning map.

**RESIDENT COMMENT** — Town resident Peter Cardone, Jr. said he is impressed with Dollar General.

Fire Chief John Scholl III said the Fire Department wants to gain access to the Thruway from Dodge Lane. Councilman Juliano said he spoke to the Thruway authority, and it does not look to good for access from Dodge Lane. He said he will give John Scholl III the phone number and person he spoke to. Mr. Scholl said the Fire Department covers 18 miles of Thruway, and it would be great, as Dodge Lane is right in the middle, and they could serve 9 miles east and 9 miles west.

**ADJOURNMENT** — There bring no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

— Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk



**TOWN PARK**

Town Board members recently conducted their annual inspection of the Town Park on Bowie Road. On recommendation of Park Caretaker Joe Boulia, the following improvements will be undertaken: installation of a new flag (to be obtained by Anthony Lucenti); wood chips/peddle stone installed under the playground equipment (coordinated by Joe Juliano & Phil Johnson); a new fence around the parking lot area (to be installed this fall by Town Highway Dept personnel, with materials obtained from Williams Fencing).