



Town Board ★★★★★★★★★★★★

2020

2020 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 8, 2020 • 6:00 PM

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

Supervisor Lucenti then called the meeting to order.

— COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT —

Supervisor Anthony Lucenti, Councilwoman Bette Szesny, and Councilmen Rodney Dodge, Joe Juliano, and Eric Kane.

— ALSO PRESENT —

Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson; Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green; Assessor George Haskell; ZBA Chairman Ronald Beach; and Town residents JoAnn Mammone, Peter Cardone, Jr., Jeffery Dingman, Harry Robbins, Robert Wasyleski and Dale Dodge.

— BUDGET REVIEW: LONG-RANGE FINANCIAL PLANS —

Supervisor Lucenti said he and the Board talked about long-range plans. They involve the buildings, parks, roads and emergency preparedness.

— 2020 SUPERVISOR'S APPOINTMENTS —

Supervisor Lucenti read the 2020 appointments.

— RESIDENT COMMENT —

Town resident Robert Wasyleski said he wanted to thank the Fire Department and the American Red Cross for their help with his flooding situation on October 31, 2019.

Supervisor Lucenti said he attended a meeting (M.V.9 Forum), and their suggestion is to form a state-wide office for emergency preparedness.

— PAY BILLS —

Motion by Szesny, second by Kane that the bills for the past month be paid as presented: General, #1 to #20, and Highway, #1 to #12; all in favor.

— MINUTES: DECEMBER 11th, 18th & 30th, 2019 —

Motion by Dodge, second by Kane, that the minutes be approved as printed; all in favor.

— MOTION TO WAIVE \$40 FEE FOR MILITARY MARRIAGES —

Motion by Dodge, second by Juliano to wave the \$40.00 fee for Military marriages; all in favor.

— APPOINTMENT: ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS REPRESENTATIVE —
GEORGE LUTHER III

Motion by Szesny, second by Juliano to appoint George Luther III to be the Town of Schuyler 's representative at the Association of Towns Annual Meeting; all in favor.

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— IAN YEARDON: C2EA ENGINEERING —

Supervisor Lucenti said Ian Yeardon from the C2aE2 Engineering firm could not be here tonight due to the bad weather. He said Schuyler will receive a \$2.8 million grant for Graham Road, Brown Road, and Newport Road. He said Ian wants to spend more time trying to get more grants.

— ASSESSOR'S REPORT: BY GEORGE HASKELL —

Assessor George Haskell said all the forms that he had to send out have been mailed.

— CODES REPORT: BY PHILIP GREEN —

- Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green said he has processed about 60 permits.
- He said regarding the situation on Newport Road, they will be returning to Court.
- He also said all reports have been filed for 2019.

— SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: WESTGATE DEVELOPMENT —
UPDATE ON STORMWATER DISTRICT

Supervisor Lucenti said the State wants a SEQR report on the Stormwater District.

— SEWER REHABILITATION CONTRACT: AWARDED TO JAMES BRAY —

Supervisor Lucenti said the contract was awarded to James Bray for the Sewer Rehabilitation project. He said he has already posted bond for the Thruway. He said Councilman Juliano will work with James Bray.

— EAST SCHUYLER WATER LINE EXTENSION MEETING: JANUARY 15, 2020, 6:00 PM —

Supervisor Lucenti said there will be a meeting on January 15, 2020 for the East Water Extension. He said Herkimer County I.D.A. is trying to obtain a grant for the transmission lines.

— WOOD LANE & SHORT LOTS ROADS' SPEED LIMIT —

- Supervisor Lucenti read the letter from the Department of Transportation that said they are denying the speed limit request; however, they will approve the speed limit request for Wood Lane.
- Councilwoman Szesny asked the Town Clerk if she heard anything regarding the Brown Road speed reduction; her reply was "no."

— L.S. POWER RE: ROAD USAGE —

Supervisor Lucenti said he received a letter from L.S. Power regarding use of roads, and he needs a motion authorizing the usage.

Motion by Szesny, second by Kane authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Road Use and Crossing Agreement, which protects the Town of Schuyler; all in favor.

— LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2018: ANIMAL CONTROL, OTHER SPECIES —

Supervisor Lucenti said he needs to amend Local Law #2 of 2018 RE: "Other Species of Animals" to exclude cats.

Motion by Szesny, second by Juliano to amend Local Law #2 of 2018 RE: Other Species of Animals to exclude any pure breed or mixed breed cat; all in favor.

— FEMA UPDATE —

Supervisor Lucenti said there is a meeting scheduled for January 15, 2020 regarding FEMA, and he has registered to attend.

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— HIGHWAY REPORT: WINTER PLOWING UPDATE —
BY: SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS, PHILIP JOHNSON

- Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson said they are plowing and sanding the roads.
- Councilman Dodge said he received compliment on the roads from a resident.

— GRANT FOR STERLING CREEK REHABILITATION —
BY: JOE JULIANO

Councilman Joe Juliano said he has been working on the grant to get the work done on Sterling Creek. He said he has filled out all the paperwork, and the Town will receive an answer in 30 to 60 days. He said the grant covers 75%, with a 25% contribution from the Town, either in money or in-kind service.

— WATER BOARD REPORT —
BY: BETTE SZESNY

- Councilwoman Szesny said they have not had a recent meeting, but one will be held on January 27th.
- Supervisor Lucenti thanked Councilwoman Szesny for all her work on the proposed Graham, Brown and Newport Road project.

— PLANNING BOARD REPORT —
BY: BETTE SZESNY

- Councilwoman Szesny said there was no meeting in January, but they will be holding a meeting in February, with the annual election of officers.
- ZBA Chairman Ronald Beach said the Planning Board will be working on the development of an operating permit for businesses.

— RESIDENT COMMENT —

- Councilman Kane asked the Supervisor if there is going to be an Extravaganza this year, and his reply was yes, it will be held on the 2nd Saturday in August.
- ZBA Chairman Ron Beach said the ZBA held a meeting last night regarding the Sun-East Development's proposed solar farm on Watkins Road. He said the engineer received the plans and clarified them.
- Mr. Beach said there will be a Public Hearing on January 21st at the Town Office to receive public input on the Watkins Road Project.

Mr. Beach also said Kevin Murphy is an excellent attorney, and CT Male Associates has provided outstanding service to the ZBA, as well.

— ADJOURNMENT —

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

— Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk

