

Minutes of a *Regular*
Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Ellicott
held at the Administration Building
215 S. Work Street, Falconer, N.Y. on
December 21, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Supervisor McLaughlin, Councilman Tyler, Councilwoman Bowman, Councilman Heitzenrater, Town Clerk Bellardo, Highway Superintendent Pickett, Attorney Duncanson.

Absent: Councilwoman Whitmore

Supervisor McLaughlin opened the meeting at 6:00 PM and led the Town Council in the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Town Clerk Bellardo called the roll.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Councilman Tyler, seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater to accept the minutes of the November 16, 2020 Meeting as presented by the Town Clerk.

Carried. **Ayes – 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

TOWN OFFICER’S REPORTS

Councilman Heitzenrater reported that the BPU has at least resolved the issue with Dave Rowe’s tablet. He is also willing to help if we need to go back to Zoom meetings.

Councilman Tyler wanted to thank Dave Rowe for his help resolving the issue of the trailer on Robinson Avenue. He also reported that someone on Sessions is using the paper street as a personal parking lot. Highway Superintendent Pickett stated that we do not own the paper street and it would be up to the neighbors to deal with.

Town Clerk Bellardo reported that we received our second Mortgage Tax payment. It was down 73.51% for a total of 49.91% lower than last year. This is because there were no real estate transactions from April to end of August. We also received a quote from FSC Systems to install two cameras on the front of the building. The total cost is \$1835.89.

MOTION by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilwoman Bowman that we have FSC Systems install the two cameras in the front of the building.

Adopted. **Ayes - 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent**

Attorney Duncanson reported that the zoning board has been pretty active. Him and Dave Rowe would like to make some adjustments to the zoning laws. One is for trailers on where they can be put. The other is for the construction of a second garage. They would like to make it a special use permit that is allowed on certain size lots as long as the perimeters are met.

Supervisor McLaughlin advised the board that he has been in contact with CLP to get the applications in for the curly leaf pond weed. He had a conference call with the County Executive on the COVID situation. He sent Mr. Wendell the emergency plan that Highway Superintendent Pickett wrote for the highway department. They are going to use it as a templet for other highway departments.

OLD BUSINESS

Windows/HVAC

We had Jamestown Glass come in and look at the windows. They would not be replacing the casings. We are still deciding if we are going to go to bid for the windows and HVAC. We should know more early next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #48-2020

Renew BAN Dump Truck- We are renewing the BAN in the amount of \$43,627.60 with an interest rate of 4.44%.

MOTION by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater to approve renewing the BAN for the dump truck.

Adopted. **Ayes - 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

Resolution #49-2020

Renew BAN Highway Garage Improvements We are renewing the BAN in the amount of \$114,885.79 with an interest rate of 4.44%.

MOTION by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilwoman Bowman to approve renewing the BAN for the highway garage improvements.

Adopted. **Ayes - 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

Public Employer Emergency Plan

Supervisor McLaughlin reported that he is working on the plan. This is a mandate from New York State and is due by April 2021. This is for any emergency that the town may have that would affect town employees. It must incorporate every employee in the town. It must include how employees will be paid, how much PPE we will have on hand and temporary housing. He is hoping to bring it to the board next month.

New Pickup Trucks

Highway Superintendent Pickett would like to purchase three new trucks next year. He didn't purchase the two he was going to this year. He will be selling four trucks. He is not planning to use a BAN for the purchase, instead will use reserve funds and the money from the sale of the

trucks to pay for them. He would also like to purchase a tandem wheel one-ton dump. There is going to be a demo here within the next two weeks that he might like to purchase. This is a non-bid truck

MOTION by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater to get bids on the trucks and to purchase a Dodge 2020 or 2021 Dodge 5500 with a plow and stainless dump box for no more than \$70,000.

Adopted. **Ayes - 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

Budget Transfers/Appropriations

Budget Transfers to cover negative balances			
To:	A 134-01 (Budget Officer Personal Services)	\$1,039.02	
From:	A 122-01 (Supervisor Personal Services)		\$1,039.02
To:	A 111-04 (Justices)	\$250.00	
From:	A 111-02 (Justices Equipment)		\$250.00
To:	A 111-04 (Justices)	\$1,279.35	
From:	A 132-04 (Independent Auditing and Accounting)		\$1,279.35
To:	A 135-54 (Assessors)	\$1,311.18	
From:	A 135-51 (Assessors Personal Services)		\$1,311.18
To:	A 122-04 (Supervisor)	\$422.79	
From:	A 133-04 (Tax Collector)		\$422.79
To:	A 191-04 (Unallocated Insurance)	\$18.75	
From:	A 167-04 (Postage)		\$18.75
To:	B 362-04 (Safety Inspection)	\$2,500.00	
From:	B 362-02 (Safety Inspection Equipment)		\$2,500.00
To:	B 802-01 (Zoning Personal Services)	\$242.50	
From:	B 802-04 (Zoning)		\$242.50
To:	B 402-04 (Registrar of Vital Statistics)	\$250.00	
From:	B 801-04 (Planning)		\$250.00
To:	DB 514-04 (Brush and Weeds Misc.)	\$6,301.28	
From:	DB 511-04 (General Repairs)		\$6,301.28
To:	DB 864-04 (Drainage)	\$14,538.81	
From:	DB 511-04 (General Repairs)		\$14,538.81

Appropriate the amount of \$60,270.32 from Account DB 128-09 (Other General Government Income) into Account DB 513-02 (HWY Machinery and Equipment).

Appropriate the amount of \$42,560.00 from Account DB 266-05 (Sale of Equipment) to Account DB 513-02 (HWY Machinery and Equipment).

MOTION by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilwoman Bowman to get approve the budget transfers and appropriations as presented.

Adopted. **Ayes - 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

RESOLUTION #50-2020

Payment of Claims

MOTION by Councilman Tyler, seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater to pay Abstract #24-2020 in the amount of \$101,962.47.

Adopted. **Ayes – 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

Motion by Councilman Tyler seconded by Councilman Heitzenrater to adjourn at 6:34PM.

Carried. **Ayes – 4** **Noes - 0** **Absent – 1**

Amy M. Bellardo, Town Clerk