

**MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING'S
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
July 23, 2018**

PRESENT:

Supervisor Don Trout, Councilman Mike Pfeiffer, Bob Rodger, Howard Strader and Tyrone Thomas.

ALSO, PRESENT:

Highway Superintendent, Joe Mull, Assessor, Jim Cleere, Dog Control Officer, Dallyn Jenkins, John Morabito, Bill Colin, Leland Henry, Ed Lerkins, Don Eichenhofer, Bob McGill, Michael Smith and Jerry Withers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Trout led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

FIRE EXITS:

Supervisor Trout indicated where the fire exits were located.

Supervisor Trout opened the first Public Hearing on the Community Development Block Grant and presented an update an overview on the Grant. Supervisor Trout said that the Town was awarded a \$500,000 to administer a Town-Wide Housing Rehabilitation Program of owner-occupied households. Applicants must have incomes at or below the low-to-moderate Section 8 income limits established for Seneca County.

Supervisor Trout said the grant deadline is December 14, 2018 and the Town still has funds that need to be expended by that date and is looking for two additional low-to-moderate income applicants.

There have been 19 applications received, 12 were qualified, 5 were ineligible and there is 2 on the waiting list.

No comments were made by the Public.

2018-073

Councilman Pfeiffer made the motion to close the Public Hearing. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

NAE

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Trout opened the second Public Hearing on Local Law Number 4 of 2018, A local law authorizing a Nine Month Moratorium on the acceptance and processing of any applications for, or issuance of any approvals or permits for the construction or installation of ground mounted solar farms or solar power plants in the Town of Waterloo.

Mr. Michael Smith asked if this was an extension of the previous Local Law.

Supervisor Trout answered him and said yes it was.

No other comments were made by the Public.

2018-074

Councilman Strader made the motion to close the Public Hearing on the Nine Month Moratorium on the acceptance and processing of solar farms. Councilman Rodger seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

NAE

The motion was carried.

PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mr. Lee Henry, of 93 Virginia Street addressed the Board and said that he understands that now the town's ordinances are being reviewed and will be corrected to agree with the town's comprehensive plan.

Mr. Henry said that in January 2017, Local Law Number 1 of the Year 2017, was passed imposing a moratorium on the issuance of Chapter 80 mining and excavation.

Mr. Henry asked the board to consider extending this moratorium for another twelve months.

Mr. Nate Boyd addressed the Board and said he previously worked for the Town of Waterloo Highway Department and has recently retired. He stated that from what he "understands" he is eligible for a retirement bonus and then said so now what?

Supervisor Trout told Mr. Boyd that the Town Board will discuss his situation in Executive Session after the Board Meeting and asked Mr. Boyd to stay after the meeting to answer any questions they may have regarding this matter.

2018-075

Councilman Rodger made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

- Approval of Minutes – June 25, 2018
- Approval of the Town Clerk’s Monthly Report
- Approval of the Canine Report
- Approval of Bills:

GENERAL FUND – TOWNWIDE	\$23,180.49
GENERAL – PART TOWN	994.52
HIGHWAY – TOWNWIDE	4,707.50
HIGHWAY – PART TOWN	2,837.42
WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT #1	241,341.78
BORDER CITY LIGHT DISTRICT	2,000.38
WATERLOO SEWER DISTRICT #1	809.78
5 AND 20 SEWER DISTRICT	1,239.08
BURGESS ROAD WATER DISTRICT	256.18
BORDER CITY WATER DISTRICT	7,598.28
POWDERLY ROAD WATER DISTRICT	313.62
BREWER ROAD SOUTH	1,575.65
RTE. 96, REED, HECKER, MILLS, KINGS WD 5	120.00
TOTAL	286,974.68
COMMUNTIY DEVELOPMENT FUND	49,742.75
TOTAL	\$ 336,717.43

AYE
Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

NAE

The motion was carried.

2018-076

Councilman Thomas made the motion to approve Local Law Number 4 of 2018, a Local Law authorizing a Nine Month Moratorium on the acceptance and processing of any applications for, or issuance of any approvals or permits for the construction or installation of ground mounted solar farms or solar power plants in the Town of Waterloo. Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

NAE

The motion was carried.

2018-077

Councilman Rodger made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

OLD BUSINESS:

2018-078

Councilman Rodger made the motion to hire Seneca Security for the remainder of 2018, to provide security to the town court twice monthly at a cost of \$856.05. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

NAE

The motion was carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Trout said he wanted to discuss a potential, pre-qualified CDBG applicant. Supervisor Trout said the name of the applicant is Ms. Hannah Venturino who is the niece of Highway Superintendent, Joe Mull. Supervisor Trout said that she is a qualified applicant.

Town Attorney, Mr. Dennis Benjamin said that her approval requires a conflict of interest analysis done by him. He said he has done this and given the board a letter stating that as Attorney for the Town of Waterloo that adequate public disclosure of the availability of the program, disclosure of any potential conflict of interest by reason of the program regulations with the option of a waiver if a conflict should be found. Mr. Benjamin expressed that in his opinion the participation in the CDBG Program by Hannah Venturino would not result in a violation of any of the laws of the State of New York.

Supervisor Trout said he agrees with Town Attorney.

Town Attorney, Dennis Benjamin and said we have done our due diligence and will approve Hannah Venturino's application for a CDBG Homeowners Grant.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Strader said he spoke with Border City Fire Chief, Mr. John Morabito and he said he has the 160 Stortz hydrant adapters on order from Churchville Fire Equipment Company. He also said that when they come in they would like Tom Finnerty to install several with his fire department watching so they can learn how to install them.

Mr. Morabito thanked the Board for all they have done to help the fire department with this project. He also thanked Highway Superintendent, Joe Mull for his help in two recent instances his department had, one was a hazmat issue, and another was a house explosion. John said he appreciates all the help his department provided.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Code Enforcement Officer/Assessor, Jim Cleere said his office is busy with issuing permits and dealing with property maintenance complaints.

Jim said this Wednesday they have a meeting scheduled with MRB to start working on Phase II Of the code updates.

Jim also said the 2018 tax roll has been turned over to the Town Clerk and the County.

Jim said in the Town of Waterloo, the equalization rate is 100 percent and the total assessed value has gone up by 1,190, 415.00.

Councilman Thomas asked Jim what the time frame is on Phase 2 of the Code Updates.

Jim said that it will take from 6 months to possibly one year and that Phase 1 took 6 months to complete.

Highway Department, Joe Mull said that the Restoration Project on Route 96 has been completed with Thurston Services. Joe also said that the County Soil and Water did all the hydroseeding for these properties.

Joe also said Pre-Emption Street has been paved and completed.

Dog Control Officer, Dallyn Jenkins said the shelter now has 27 dogs and 193 cats up for adoption and that doesn't include the number of dogs and cats out in foster care.

Dallyn also said she has two pending abandonment cases and they will be heard in our court this Friday, the 27th.

2018-079

Councilman Rodger made the motion to enter in Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

AYE
Supervisor Trout

NAE

Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

The motion was carried.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:16 PM.

Supervisor Trout called the meeting back to order at 7:45 PM, and said no action was taken and no further business will be discussed.

2018-080

Councilman Rodger made the motion to immediately adjourn the meeting. Councilman Pfeiffer seconded the motion.

AYE

Supervisor Trout
Councilman Pfeiffer
Councilman Thomas
Councilman Strader
Councilman Rodger

NAE

The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Sandra L. Ridley
Waterloo Town Clerk