

TOWN OF NEW ALBION

14 Main Street
Cattaraugus, NY 14719

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 16, 2015 7:00 p.m.

PRESIDING: Loyd Chilson, Supervisor

PRESENT: Councilmen: Daniel Goss, Dale Rogan, Michael Weishan, Thomas Young; Nathaniel Widrig, Highway Supt.; Eugene Doucette, Treasurer; Rose LaQuay, Recording Secretary

VISITORS: Eileen Williams, Resident; Paula Stockman, Catt. Cty. Legislator; Shannon Goode, Town Justice; Frank Watson, Code Enforcement Officer

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor Chilson called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm. The minutes of the January 19, 2015 Regular Meeting, Assessor, Justice January, and Clerk Reports were approved as presented.

VISITORS:

1. Eileen Williams - Several cases of son and bus almost hit, motorists not stopping for school bus. No improvement by moving bus stop. Requested speed reduction study, but request must come from Town.
2. Paula Stockman - In attendance to observe.
3. Frank Watson, Code Enf. Off. - Submitted annual code report, requested approval forwarded to resident.
4. Shannon Goode - Looking into JCAP grant for next year. Court books available for Town Board audit.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Catt. Cty. Eco. Dev., Planning & Tour. - Community Revitalization Fund (2)
2. Time Warner Cable - Expiring Agreements (2)
3. Booz Allen Hamilton - Microgrid Implementation
4. Performance Excavating - Special Use Permit
5. Municipal Energy Program - Update
6. Complaint from Resident - Traffic Enforcement on Route 353
7. Outreach on Assoc. of Towns Governance & Bylaws Issues
8. Blue Cross Blue Shield Renewal
9. Sheridan Benefits - Health Insurance Renewal

REPORTS:

Highway - 31 Plow trips this month, other work included hauling sand, Simmons Recovery meetings and routine maintenance. Hwy. Supt. Widrig distributed a project report and informed the Board salt pricing has increased from \$1,400.00 / truckload to \$2,000.00 / truckload this year. Hwy. Supt. Widrig and Treasurer Doucette reviewed information on purchase of 2016 Kenworth 10 Wheel with Plow and Sandbar at a price of \$227,434.00 on 5 year bond at 2.25% with first principal payment 2016. 1986 plow truck to be sold, with revenue planned to go toward excavator. Hwy. Supt. Widrig also shared a possible replacement for the 1983 excavator currently in service - purchase of \$66,500.00 vs. rental of \$5,000.00 / month.

Resolution #12 - 2015 - Purchase of 2016 Kenworth 10 Wheel with Plow and Sandbar

On a motion by Councilman Rogan, seconded by Councilman Weishan, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Aye 4 Goss, Rogan, Weishan, Young
Nay 0

RESOLVED, to pursue purchase of 2016 Kenworth 10 Wheel with Plow and Sandbar not to exceed \$230,000.00.

Clerk - Clerk LaQuay reported on tax collection to date. Catt. Cty Board of Elections Directory form submitted to Board members for review. January Registrar Deposit into General A, \$20.00 for Death Certificate Copies.

Clerk Report: January 2015	Check #	TOTAL
Amount Collected		\$ 290.00
Animal Population Control	2384	\$ 35.00
NYS Dept. of Conservation	ACH	\$ 68.03
NYS Dept. of Health	2385	\$ 22.50
Town of New Albion	2386	\$ 164.47
Amount Paid Out		\$ 290.00

Treasurer - Treasurer Doucette reviewed information about revenues received by the Town.

Board Reports:

Supervisor Chilson - Checked roads, Town Highway Department is doing a good job.

Councilman Weishan - Attended Catt. Cty. Supervisor's Meetings, Shared Services report due in June to NYS,

lack of info available from NYS. Catt. Cty. Civil Service changing from commission to director. Worker's Compensation for Fire Districts is paid by Towns.

Councilman Rogan - None.

Councilman Young - None.

Councilman Goss - Questioned if CEO Watson resolved issue with resident requesting Zoning Board of Appeals approval granted in 2014. Board requested Clerk LaQuay prepare response for Board review prior to mailing. Reviewed payroll issue where Hwy. Supt. Widrig was paid overtime on first 2015 payroll, due to payroll prior to Organizational Meeting.

Resolution #13 - 2015 - Hwy. Supt. Pay

On a motion by Councilman Goss, second by Councilman Weishan, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Aye 4 Goss, Rogan, Weishan, Young
Nay 0

RESOLVED, to allow overtime paid on first 2015 payroll prior to the January 8, 2015 Organizational Meeting with no reimbursement required from Highway Supt. Nathaniel Widrig.

Resolution #14 - 2015 - Speed Control on NYS Route 353

On a motion by Councilman Young, second by Councilman Goss, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Aye 5 Chilson, Goss, Rogan, Weishan, Young
Nay 0

WHEREAS, residents are concerned with the continued high rate of traffic speed on NYS Route 353 between Leon Road and the Village of Cattaraugus village limit, and

WHEREAS, the procedure is for the Town to request by resolution and a completed Form TE 9a for the County Commissioner of Public Works to proceed with a request to the New York State Department of Transportation for a regional traffic engineer study, and

WHEREAS, the residents feel that a possible speed reduction be investigated,

THEREFORE, the New Albion town Board resolves that a request for a traffic study be completed on NYS Route 353 between Leon Road and the Village of Cattaraugus village limit and that the Town Clerk complete and submit a Form TE 9a to the County Commissioner of Public Works.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Constable reclassification - Waiting on reclassification from New York State.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance Annual Renewal - Renewal due April 1. AQUA plan continues to be the most competitive option with one change - deductible after allowance increases from \$500 to \$1000 for single and \$1000 to \$2000 for family.

Resolution #15 - 2015 - Health Insurance Renewal

On a motion by Councilman Rogan, second by Councilman Weishan, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Aye 4 Goss, Rogan, Weishan, Young
Nay 0

RESOLVED, to renew AQUA health insurance through Blue Cross Blue Shield effective April 1, 2015.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT

Resolution #16 - 2015 - Abstract #2 - February 16, 2015

On a motion by Councilman Weishan, second by Councilman Rogan, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Aye 4 Goss, Rogan, Weishan, Young
Nay 0

RESOLVED, that Abstract #2 - 2015 in the following amounts be paid:

ACCOUNT	VOUCHER #	TOTAL EXPENDITURES
General A	10727 - 10745	\$ 252,060.86
General B	675 - 680	\$ 8,385.46
Highway DA	8711 - 8720	\$ 101,496.87
Highway DB	2723 - 2730	\$ 128,536.25

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose M. LaQuay
Recording Secretary
Town of New Albion Town Council

Next Meeting: Regular Board Meeting March 16, 2015 7:00 p.m.