

Town Board Meeting
December 12, 2022

The Regular Town Board Meeting of Town of Cambridge was duly called Monday, December 12, 2022 at Cambridge Town Hall, at 7:30 PM the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler

Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot

Councilman Robert McIntosh

Councilman Larry Carrino

Councilman Bruce Bailey

Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, Carl Flint (New Justice appointed by the 4th Judicial District)

Supervisor Fedler called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Appointment of the New Town Justice

Carl Flint the new Town Justice was present at the meeting to introduce himself. The 4th Judicial District thought that Judge Flint was an obvious choice for the temporary position starting Dec. 9, 2022 thru April 30, 2023. Judge Flint said that he is thrilled to work with Linda Record the Court Clerk. It is also a pleasure for him to come in and follow Judge Molea. Judge Molea was the mentor to Carl Flint when he came in to the Village position as judge. He said that the proposal that he is offering the Town Board is that he should not be paid more than job requires. He is offering to do the job for \$200 per month. Councilman McIntosh asked Judge Flint what he knew about the court consolidation and if he would help with the investigation. He said that he knew that if the Board looks into this it has to be a consolidation with another Town Court of a bordering Town.

Auditing of the Bill

General	#191 – 215	\$ 4,296.80
Highway	#135 – 151	\$280,559.95

Supervisor's Report

Resolution #56

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman Carrino to approve the Supervisor's reports for November 2022.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Approving of the Minutes

Resolution #57

Councilman McIntosh motioned, seconded by Councilman Carrino to approve the minutes of November 14, 2022

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Transfer of funds

Resolution #58

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman McIntosh to transfer money from the Highway Reserve DA230 to Machinery, Equipment DA5130.4 in the amount of \$110,709.97 to complete the amount needed for the new truck purchase.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

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CFLR money transferred from General A to Highway DA for the new truck purchase \$151,179.02 at the October 3, 2022 Town Board Meeting Resolution #48.

Resignation of the Town Justice

Resignation was received from the Hon. Richard A. Molea on December 7, 2022 and will take effect on December 8, 2022. He mentioned in his letter that it was his honor to serve the Town of Cambridge and to work with Linda Record Court Clerk and Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk.

Resolution #59

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by councilwoman Wilmot to accept this letter of resignation from the Hon. Richard A. Molea with regret. Supervisor Fedler thanked the Town Justice Molea for his five years served as Town Justice.

Vote: Ayes- 5 Noes – 0

Councilman McIntosh read his resolution of appreciation:

Councilman McIntosh motioned,
Seconded unanimously by entire Town Board,
Be IT Resolved that, the Town Board wishes to express its appreciation to the Hon. Richard Molea for his service to the Town of Cambridge over the past five years.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Appointment of Judge Flint as Town Justice

A mentioned earlier in the meeting Carl Flint was appointed to the position of Cambridge Town Justice by the Fourth Judicial District. Below is the Administrative Order 4JD-92-2022, Fourth Judicial District.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
4JD-92-2022
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Whereas the Cambridge Town Court, Washington County, New York is without the services of a Town Justice due to the resignation of Town Justice Richard Molea on December 8, 2022, and

Whereas the Hon. Carl Flint. Village Justice of the Cambridge Village Court. Washington County. New York has consented to serve as Town Justice in the Cambridge Town Court effective December 9, 2022 until April 30, 2023.

Now, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to UJCA 106, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Hon. Carl Flint is hereby assigned to the Cambridge Town Court to hear and determine all matters pending before such court, for the period December 9, 2022 until April 30, 2023.

Signed by **Hon. Felix J. Catena**
District Administrative Judge

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Hon. Carl Flint has requested of the Town Board permission to open a bank account for the Town of Cambridge Court.

Resolution #61

Councilman Bailey motioned,

Seconded by Councilman McIntosh,

Be It Resolved that the Town of Cambridge Town Board gave permission to the Town Justice, Hon. Carl Flint to open a bank account for the Town of Cambridge, court.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Date was set for the Year end meeting on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 to pay year end bills and discuss anything that comes before the Town Board.

Planning Board Appointment

The Supervisor was able to find an interested applicant for the Town of Cambridge Planning Board due to no letters of interest from the notice in the paper for the vacant Planning Board position as of December 31, 2022.

Resolution #62

Councilman McIntosh motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to appoint Valerie Morigerto to the vacant position on the Planning Board as of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2027.

Vote: Ayes - 5 Noes – 0

Highway Report

Supervisor Fedler reported that Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. was absent due to long hours working on the Storm Sunday night the 11th of December. The report for the month is as follows:

- Plowed/sanded twice
- Did some pothole patching and ditch cleaning
- Did branch and tree cleanup after high winds
- New Tandem truck is in and ready to plow/sand – Charlie has been using the truck
- Made repairs on trucks #2 & #8
- Transfers will be needed at the year end to pay remaining bills for the year

Fuel Oil Bids for 2023

Fuel Oil Bid were opened. Only one bid was received from Doug’s Oil, Inc..

The Bid is as follows:

The period for the bid is December 14, 2022 to December 14, 2023

\$.14 over their rack price cost for that day of delivery.

Fuel Oil

Cost as of November 17, 2022 - \$3.999
Cents Over Cost \$0.14
Total \$4.139

Diesel winter blend 50/50 mix

Cost as November 17, 2022 - \$5.299
Cents Over Cost \$0.14
Total \$5.439

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Diesel

Cost as of November 17, 2022 - \$4.169
Cents Over Cost \$0.14
Total \$4.309

The Supervisor suggested that the Town continue business with Doug’s Oil, Inc. for the year of 2023.

Resolution #63

Councilman Carrino motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to continue to use Doug’s Oil, Inc. as the supplier of Fuel Oil and Diesel Fuel for all the Town locations of Cambridge, NY. For the period from December 14, 2022 to December 14, 2023 is \$.14 over their rack price cost for that day of delivery.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

- Supervisor Fedler reported that she received notice on upcoming utility pole maintenance. The New York Public Service Commission approved, advanced metering Infrastructure (“AMI”). This maintenance/upgrade is scheduled to begin in February 2023, and continue for approximately 30 months until all communities have been covered.
- Letter received from Laberge Group to consider them for the Towns Municipal Engineering and Planning Services for 2023.
- Notice was received from NYMIR the insurance company about annual renewal that will occur in February 2023.

Town Clerk Report

- The paperwork has been filled out for the upcoming tax season and submitted to the county.
- Some Town Officials attended the Sexual Harassment Webinar Dec. 6th.

Planning Board Report

- **Gardineer Subdivision**

Leila and Raymond Gardineer and their daughter in-law Alicia were at the meeting and presented the survey map of the proposed subdivision. Leila and Raymond Gardineer would like to subdivide approximately 3 acres for their son and his wife of the 6.24 acres, tax map #254.-1-27. The property would be subdivided roughly in half and they would acquire the southern portion of the lot to build a house on. The Planning Board thought that the survey looked good, site being created was 3.11 acres. The Planning Board reviewed the Environmental Survey, no environmental impact was found.

- Planning Board gave permission to proceed with the Public Hearing for the Gardineer subdivision. The Public Hearing will be held on January 5, 2023.
- Chad Varney was at the Planning Board meeting to ask the Planning Board to stamp the map again for the Boundary line adjustment located at 40 Wilderness Way, the map for the bank has been lost. Mr. Varney is not sure if the survey has been filed with the County or not? The mylar map may need to be stamped again to file with the County. Chad Varney is going to find out from Randy Pickering and he will let us know.

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- There was a short discussion about the Winter Webinar Series email that was sent out. The Clerk handed out list of the trainings for the 2022-2023 winter webinar, and said that she would forward the email on to members.
- There was also a discussion on the terms and when members terms ended. This year December 31, 2022 Ron Ford's term is expiring and he is no longer interested in serving on the Planning Board. A notice has been published in the Eagle of the vacancy of the position. The position will hopefully be appointed at the December 12th Town Board meeting.
- Next Planning Board meeting will be held January 5, 2023 at 7:00 PM

The Town Board mentioned that they appreciated the time that Ron Ford dedicated to the Planning Board Position.

Solar Moratorium

Councilman Carrino has talked with Steve Chuta from the Town of Jackson about their Solar law that they are presenting. Councilman McIntosh looked into NYSERDA sample law; he mentioned that in order for the law to be valid seemed like a Comprehensive Plan was needed. Some Board Members had concerns about adopting a comprehensive plan. Supervisor mentioned that the Planning Board had requested that have procedure to follow for Solar Farms. The main reason to have this Solar Law would be to inform landowner/residents and educate them about putting Solar in. The Town Board decided to extend the Moratorium another six months and to do some more foot work.

Resolution #64

Councilman Carrino motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to extend the Solar Moratorium Local Law #1 for another six months, while they continue to work towards a Solar Law.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Town Board

Councilwoman Wilmot talked with Judge Molea and he will get together with her to do the Annual Court Audit in February.

Councilman Carrino asked if the Town of Cambridge had ever considered having a Barbecue or Community Day? It was mentioned had tried to have a picnic in the past and there was some interest, maybe something to consider?

There being no further business before the Town Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt
Town Clerk/Town of Cambridge