Town Board Meeting

July 11, 2016

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambridge duly called and held the 11th day of July at the Town Hall, the following were present:

Councilman Douglas Ford

Councilwoman Susan Herrington

Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot

Councilman Robin McMurray

Absent: Supervisor Catherine Fedler

Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, Jim Buckley Highway Superintendent, Jim Morris (from the Eagle), LaVerne Davis Code Enforcement

Deputy Supervisor Douglas Ford called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and immediately led in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Auditing of the Bills

General	#108 – 122	\$ 1,301.73
Highway	#64 – 75	\$81,238.97

Approving of the minutes

Resolution #34

Councilman McMurray motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Herrington to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2016 meeting with one correction at the bottom of page 5, resolution #32 the word Personnel was spelled incorrect.

Vote: Aves -4 Noes -0

Supervisor's Report

Resolution #35

Councilman McMurray motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Herrington to approve the Supervisor's report for June 2016.

Vote: Aves -4 Noes -0

<u>Assessor</u>

Assessor's Office will be closed Wednesday, July 13, 2016.

Town Clerk

None

Planning Board Report

Heather Greenawalt the Planning Board Clerk reported the Cambridge Planning Board met on Thursday, July 7, 2016, 7:30 PM at the Town Hall. There were 4 members present, Secretary and 2 people from the public.

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For New Business, Robert Wargo and his son Levi Wargo presented a survey to the Planning Board for minor subdivision of 25.7 acres on parcel #272.-2-7 at 689 Turnpike Rd. They would like to divide off a 2 acre lot for his son Levi & his wife Polly Wargo. The 2 acre lot is on the west side of their property, on Tabor Lane. The lot has approximately 480' of road frontage & the distance to the back from the road are approximately 228'. The Planning Board reviewed the survey map and found it to be simple lines. The Preliminary survey was submitted at the December 2015 meeting and the Planning Board said that they found this survey map to be very similar. The Planning Board granted preliminary approval to proceed with public hearing of this subdivision. The Planning Board will hold the public hearing for the Wargo subdivision on August 4th at 7:40 PM.

The next Planning Board meeting will be August 4th.

Code Enforcement

LaVerne Davis reported that everything was quiet in the town.

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. reported that they have continued grading roads and mowing the roadsides. The cemeteries have been mowed for the second time and trimmed guide rails. They have replaced the culvert on Tingue road and cleaned ditches in various spots around town. The Highwaymen and Superintendent attended Safety day and first Aid class. Joe Rogers has been hired and will start on July 12, 2016. The Highway Superintendent has talked to Viking Fabrication about a flatbed for Grey Pick-up. The CHIPS reimbursement has been received for the paving on Oak Hill Road. When he has a copy of the cancelled check for the paving of Gannon Road and Stump church road, he will file for CHIPS reimbursement on that. He is still planning on chip-sealing Darwin Road. Jim Buckley Jr. reported that he has been working on FEMA Mitigation Plan. This is a county wide plan that is required if we should ever need disaster assistance. Jim Buckley Jr. thanked everyone who helped with this.

Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. mentioned on last year's request list was a Tractor with Boom Mower. He has located one at Capital Tractor that was traded from the county, it has 95 Horsepower, FWD, with arm mower and they want \$43,500. He proposed to the Town Board to go out to bid for a used Tractor with Boom Mower at this time.

The Town Board had some questions: Councilman McMurray wondered if they would let the Town possibly demonstrate this piece of equipment. Councilwoman Wilmot asked Highway Superintendent if this tractor would save time and be useful to Highway Department. He said yes it would save on weed whacking around the guard rails. Councilman Ford mentioned that more and more sumac growing up at intersections, this piece of equipment would help keep intersections clear for easier view for drivers. Councilman Ford also mentioned that if we are using for own use it should last a long time and would not be put in the equipment rotation.

Tractor Bid Resolution #36

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Councilwoman Herrington motioned, Seconded by Councilman McMurray to go out for bid for a used Tractor with Boom Mower.

Vote: Ayes -4 Noes -0

Councilman McMurray requested of the Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. that he write up equipment schedule so they could view upcoming purchases. The Highway Superintendent mentioned that the next two things to consider would be the 2012 Ford Pickup, almost has 60,000 miles on it and the Loader (the Loader has one year left on the Warranty).

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Councilwoman Herrington reminded everyone about the Town Picnic Friday, July 15th at Lake Lauderdale from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. She questioned who would donate towards and who would be bringing things.

Councilwoman Herrington also mentioned that she would be interested in doing a proclamation in support of the Police Department. Deputy Supervisor Ford mentioned that the state of everything and the way that it is it might be best to stay neutral on this topic.

Feasibility Study

Last month's meeting Supervisor Fedler mentioned that Washington County was looking for support from Town's for the local government efficiency project grant for shared regional highway operations center.

RESOLUTION NO. 37 OF 2016

Motion by Councilman Ford, Seconded by Councilman McMurray,

TITLE Resolution in support of Washington County's submission of local government efficiency project grant for shared regional highway operations centers

WHEREAS, Washington County has proposed a feasibility study for the project titled Shared Regional Highway Operation Centers.

WHEREAS, the grant will fund the development of a plan to optimize the delivery of highway and maintenance services and identify ways to reduce costs. The project will identify ways to improve efficiency, identify shared equipment possibilities, and reduce overall administrative expenses, while reducing taxpayer burden.

WHEREAS, the State of New York has made Local Government Efficiency Grants available through the Department of State to promote inter municipal collaboration; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Town of Cambridge, support and will commit to the Washington County Shared Regional Highway Operation Centers Feasibility Study by the involvement of our personnel and in-kind contributions.

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Vote: Ayes -4 Noes 0

Deputy Supervisor Ford said that Town Board would need to go into executive session to discuss a Personnel issue.

Executive Session

Resolution#38

Councilman Ford motioned, Seconded by Councilman McMurray to enter into executive session at 8:28 PM.

Vote: Ayes – 4 Noes - 0

Resolution #39

Councilman McMurray motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to exit out of executive session at 8:34 PM.

Vote: Ayes – 4 Noes - 0

There being no further business before the Town Board, the meeting was moved and carried to adjournment at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt

Town Clerk/Town of Cambridge