Town Board Meeting July 13, 2020

The Regular meeting of the Town of Cambridge duly called the 13th day of July at the Town Hall, the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler Councilman Douglas Ford Councilman Brian Harrington Councilman Bruce Bailey Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, LaVerne Davis, Heidi Record, Cory Record, Robert Hudson, Chandler from the Eagle

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

Auditing of the Bills		
General	#113 – 131	\$1,425.02
Highway	#75 – 91	\$31,009.76

Resolution #25

Approving of the Minutes

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020 Town Board meeting.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Resolution #26

Supervisor's Report

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Bailey to approve the Supervisor's report from June 2020.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Planning Board Report

The Planning board Meeting was cancelled due to the resident's survey not being finished in time for the meeting. The next meeting will be held on August 6th and there are currently 3 things on the agenda.

Town Clerk Report

As of June 22nd I have been back in the office with regular hours. The new DEC system was implemented on June 30th. At this point they had not even contacted agents to set things up. I have installed the new DEC printer and system. Things have been very frustrating with new system but as of Wednesday July 8th things are up and running.

Acknowledgement of the Tour of the Battenkill

Resolution #27

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, seconded by Councilman Bailey to acknowledge that the Town Board has no objection to the Tour of the Battenkill on September 12, 2020, utilizing Town roads within the Town of Cambridge.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

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Highway Report

Supervisor Fedler reported in the absence of the Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley. It was reported that the Highway crew has continued roadside mowing and have had the boom arm mower out in places. They have mowed cemeteries for the 4th of July holiday. They have done some more ditch cleaning. They have also been dealing with a dust problem on the gravel roads. Fortunately, the rains have returned because the ground had become so dry that calcium was just not working effectively. Shoulders have been put down along the new black top. Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley has spoke with Zwack, Inc, and the new truck body is supposed to arrive in August. If all goes as expected we should get our CHIPS reimbursement this week. There have been no updates on the Stump Church Bridge Project.

Councilman Bailey asked if County Route 59 was going to be paved? The Supervisor reported that due to the State being slow on the payments, the county has been prioritizing and reevaluating the projects. As mentioned last meeting the sales tax payment was not too bad, who knows what the next one will be. This effect of the COVID may not show up until later even possibly 2022. The 1st mortgage payment was not far off from what was budgeted. The Town will have to wait and see how the next payment looks?

NYMIR updated Policy Against Discrimination and Harassment

Notification was received from NYMIR that the Policy for Discrimination and Harassment must be updated. The newest version was passed around to the Town Board for review.

Resolution #28

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to update the NYMIR Municipal Policy Against Discrimination and Harassment. The designated Compliance officers will be Town Clerk Heather Greenawalt and Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr..

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Margaret Shaw clerk to the Supervisor and Supervisor Fedler have been reviewing bank policies because a change may have to be made. Once they have all the bank policies lined up together, if they make a change, accounts will be shifted to one bank. They are now looking at three institutions, the Supervisor wanted to know if the Town Board was in support? The Supervisor said that the only concern is that the banks must know that in February is when the Town of Cambridge has their highest balance brought in from tax monies. After this time the rest would be simply spending down.

Resolution #29

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford to give Supervisor Fedler and Margaret Shaw Clerk to the Supervisor permission to make a decision in regards to choosing a bank.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

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Councilman Bailey asked if they could review the policies of the Town, that they discussed at February meeting. He said that there were some changes that needed to be made. The Supervisor said that they could discuss the next meeting.

Privilege of the Floor

Heidi Record, Cory Record and Robert Hudson were at the meeting to discuss how the Town could help them improve the internet capability in the area. Mrs. Record mentioned that with her being a teacher and having three children that needed to utilize the internet for schooling purposes it is a problem. She had many concerns with what would happen in the fall when school starts up. She said that they really need to be able to get FIOS or Spectrum.

Robert Hudson was present at the meeting with his concerns of the speed limit signs of 30 mph on Vly Summit Rd. and they are not being enforced. He mentioned that the intersection at 74 heading towards Easton there has been 2 accidents. He would like some kind of action taken.

The Board commented that the county had the Broadband for all, that was bid on by certain Service providers. There is a map that designates those areas and the providers. It was mentioned that they should contact the County and tell them that service is not being provided.

Executive Session

The Supervisor asked that the Town Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel issues.

Resolution #30

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to enter into Executive Session at 8:45 PM.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Resolution #31

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford to exit out of Executive Session at 9:15 PM.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

There being no further business before the Town Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk Town of Cambridge