

Town Board Meeting
May 9, 2016

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambridge duly called and held the 9th day of May at the Town Hall, the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler
Councilman Douglas Ford
Councilwoman Susan Herrington
Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot
Absent: Councilman Robin McMurray

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

Auditing of the bills

General	#70 – 82	\$2,482.72
Highway	#37 -49	\$101,997.72

Supervisor’s Report

Resolution #26

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Herrington to approve the Supervisor’s report from April 2016.

Vote: Ayes – 4 Noes – 0

Approving of the Minutes

Resolution # #27

Councilman Ford motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to approve the April 13, 2016 minutes with one correction on page 4 under Town Board the last sentence should read are working their way into this area.

Vote: Ayes – 4 Noes – 0

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Councilwoman Wilmot reported on the two sessions held at the county on Solar. She said that they were very informational. The first session was for Planning and Zoning boards to inform the members about big concerns that pertain to the solar farms that are coming in. The second was oriented towards the land owner through the cooperative extension. Councilwoman Wilmot said that solar is the way to go but leases should be looked at by a good lawyer, research should be done. The Supervisor said that Laura Chadwick Real Property director at the county said that she would come and speak at the Board Meeting about solar if anyone was interested.

Councilwoman Herrington reported that the Town Wide Cleanup day was not very successful they had no garbage collected. The Superintendent of Highways reported that he found no garbage bags on sides of the roads when he patrolled the roads. Councilwoman Herrington said that she would call White Creek and see how theirs went. Councilwoman Herrington also reported that she has been starting to

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put together the picnic that will be in July if everyone is interested. Supervisor Fedler suggested having a date for the picnic by the June meeting.

Supervisor Fedler asked Councilwoman Herrington if she would work with Barbara Kingsley from White Creek getting things ready for the Memorial Day Parade. She said that she would. Councilwoman Herrington requested that the Town Board revisit the Site Plan Review. This would be discussed later in the meeting.

Planning Board Report

The Planning Board Secretary Heather Greenawalt reported that the Town of Cambridge Planning Board met on Thursday, May 5, 2016, 7:30 PM at the Town Hall. There were 5 members present, Secretary and 1 person from the public.

Public Hearing was held for Dominick Giglio's minor subdivision of 99.71 acres located on Conley Road, tax map #271.-2-27. Mr. Giglio presented the survey map with the proposed lot 1 being 37 acres on the east side of Conley Road. The west side of Conley Rd. consisted of lot 2 being 24 acres on the north side with road frontage of 908 ft. and lot 3 on the south side with 39 acres, road frontage of 400 ft. This was the same survey map that was presented at the March meeting; the Planning Board reviewed the survey map and granted final approval of Dominick Giglio's minor subdivision.

The next Planning Board meeting will be on Thursday, June 2, 2016.

Town Clerk Report

The Town Clerk Heather Greenawalt reported that on May 1, 2016 was the first day of turkey season and some licenses have been sold. The Town Clerk attended the Town Clerk's Conference on April 18th and 19th. They had many informational workshops and classes.

Assessor's Report

Supervisor Fedler read the Assessor's report in her absence. The changes of Assessment Notices were sent out on May 1, 2016, there were a total of 41. Grievance Day is June 7th from 4 pm to 8 pm at the Town Hall. All members of the Board of Assessment Review have been notified. Assessor's appointment date and time are as follows:

- 5/11/2016 3 pm to 6 pm
- 5/18/2016 2 pm to 6 pm
- 5/25/2016 2 pm to 8 pm
- 5/28/2016 9 am to 1 pm

If anyone contacts you please advise them to contact assessor to set up appointment.

There are new rules regarding STAR Exemption. Anyone who wasn't receiving a STAR Exemption prior to March 2, 2015 will now register with New York State Department of Taxation and Finance and receive a check in the mail instead of getting a deduction off of their school tax bills. Again if anyone contacts you about this please ask them to contact me because there is more information I can let them know.

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. reported that they have finished sweeping the roads. They are continuing with grading of the dirt roads. Ditch work has been done on Lee's Crossing, Whiteside, Cobble, and Reynolds roads. They cut up down trees in Woodland Cemetery with Richard Bromirski's crew. This was one day job with both crews and equipment. They have replaced some culverts on Duell Hollow , Oak hill and Durfee roads. The Highway Superintendent has ordered and received 70 tons of road salt to meet the contract obligation. The Town of Cambridge has filed salt requirements for winter 2016 -2017 with procurement services. Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. attended the Cornell Local Roads class on Running Your Highway Department. Dana and Highway Superintendent attended New Miner School. Later in the month of May the entire Highway Crew will be attending Miner Refresher Class. Oak Hill Road has been paved, approximately 1 1/3 miles about 7200 ft. of road. This was challenge due to the weather conditions last week so the highway men worked on Friday in effort to get the paving done in time. The paving had to be done in order to get invoice and to submit the paperwork so that the town could receive CHIPs money.

Supervisor said that the Highway men should be applauded because they went above and beyond their duties.

Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution

Resolution#28

Supervisor Fedler motioned,

Seconded by Councilman Ford,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Cambridge/30647 hereby establishes the following standard work days for these titles and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System based on their record of activities.

Vote: Ayes – 4 Noes - 0

Supervisor Fedler requested that the Board members review the White Creek Site Plan Review and be prepared to discuss at the next board meeting.

Councilwoman Wilmot said that concern about solar and must opt. in or out of the solar.

Councilwoman Herrington said that she has discussed possibly having students from Cambridge Central School doing roadside cleanup throughout the town as there Social Studies community service credit. They would then bring the cleanup garbage to the highway garage to dispose of, councilwoman Herrington wanted to ok this with the Highway Superintendent.

Councilwoman Herrington mentioned that the possible dates for the Town of Cambridge picnic in July could be July 15th, 22nd or 29th.

Councilwoman Wilmot wanted the public to be made aware of the break-ins that have taken place in the area. It was mentioned that we need to look out for each other and be aware of our neighbors. It was mentioned to the reporter that it be made known to the public that there are break-ins happening

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to keep your eyes open. Councilwoman Wilmot questioned if there was a liaison that could be in contact with the Sheriff's department so we are made aware of what is happening in the neighborhood.

There being no further business before the Town Board, the meeting was moved and carried for adjournment at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt
Town Clerk/Town of Cambridge

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