

Town Board Meeting
October 8, 2018

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambridge duly called and held 8th day of October at the Town Hall, the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler

Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot

Councilman Brian Harrington

Absent: Councilman Douglas Ford, Councilman Bruce Bailey

Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, Margaret Shaw Clerk to the Supervisor, LaVerne Davis Code Enforcement Officer, Jim Buckley Jr. Highway Superintendent, Aaron Jansen Reporter from the Eagle, Terry Hamilton, Robbie McIntosh

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

Auditing of the Bills

General	#175 – 195	\$2,165.08
Highway	#128 – 140	\$90,117.79

Resolution #55

Councilman Harrington motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to approve the Supervisor's Report from September 2018.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes – 0

Resolution #56

Councilman Harrington motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2018 meeting with one correction on page 3 the 3rd paragraph should be conversation not conservation.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes - 0

Resolution #57

Councilman Harrington motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to change the November Town Board Meeting to November 5th due to Veteran's Day is on the 12th.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes - 0

Resolution #58

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, Seconded by Councilman Harrington to hold the 2019 Budget Public Hearing on Monday, November 5th at 7:30 PM.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes – 0

There was a short discussion about the Sexual Harassment and Workplace Violence Training which is now required by the State. Every employee as of October of 2019 is required to take the training. The

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Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. mentioned that there will be a training class next Monday, October 15th at Salem Fire House at 6:30 or 7:00 PM.

Vacant Planning Board Positions

There will be two open Planning Board Positions to advertise for, the remaining 4 years of Bob Hamilton's position and Eric Pearson's position is up as of Dec. 31st of this year. The positions will be advertised for and the 5th of November will be the Deadline to submit letters of interest. The interviews will be at the December 10th Town Board meeting.

2019 Budget presented

The Supervisor presented the 2019 Budget as a 1.96% increase. The Supervisor went through some of the budget and explained some of the increases. The Court Clerk received increase, Highway Superintendent, Clerk to the Supervisor, Code Enforcement, Town Clerk, Planning Board Clerk, Highwaymen all received 3% increase. The Assessor received a 2% increase as requested.

The Dog Control requested an increase of \$1,000 for a shelter fee which is paid up front in January.

There was no increase in Dog Control Salary and going to ask if possibly spread the \$1,000 over course of 12 months.

The Senior Citizens also received slight increase. It was mentioned that General Repairs and machinery were increased some.

The Supervisor mentioned that revenue from County Rt. 60 is not put in the budget yet, we will not know if we have the road until the County has finalized their budget. As far as the Chips money this figure is a straight in and out amount dollar for dollar. The Bridge Reserve was increased by \$5,000, Equipment Reserve \$40,000 and the Highway Garage Reserve was \$10,000.

The Reporter from the Eagle asked if the Budget was available online? The Supervisor said no. He also asked when the vote on the budget would be and she said on Nov. 5th at the Town Board Meeting.

The Supervisor mentioned that the Assessor had a question about the possible Data Collection through the County which she thought would be \$2.00 per parcel. The actual amount would be \$3.00 per parcel. The Assessor asked if this would be option, she had offered to forgo some of her salary if it was. The Supervisor said that she left the budget the way that it was because the position of Assessor is up in October 2019 for the Town of Cambridge. The County is still in the working process of Data Collector, just talk they have nothing definite yet.

Town Clerk

The Town Clerk Heather Greenawalt reported that still selling many hunting licenses, other than that it has been quiet.

Planning Board

Planning Board Clerk Heather Greenawalt reported that both subdivisions on the agenda canceled due to the survey not being done. The Planning Board discussed the Positions that were/would be vacant

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and the possibility of filling them. The Planning Board Clerk told them that would have to wait for the decision from the Town Board.

Highway Report

Jim Buckley Jr. the Highway Superintendent reported that they have been hauling sand, Tom Levendowski has run out but John Irwin is supposed to be screening them a pile. They still need about 1,000 yards. They have been doing ditch cleaning and bank repairs. They have done shoulders along new blacktop on Whiteside Road. They have also done some tree trimming and cleanup. Replaced main tandem support on left side of truck #8 and #3 truck is at Viking fabrication for rebuild of box. Some of highwaymen have attended Sexual Harassment and Workplace Violence training in Argyle. The rest of the crew will join White Creek for training later in the year. It has been made law that everyone involved with the Town, employee & officials, must have this training. Excavator training now in front of governor it would now be requirement to have training (mainly because of the natural gas lines).

Code Enforcement

LaVerne Davis Code Enforcement Officer brought before the Town Board that he thought that should charge a fee for file search. It was suggested by Mr. Davis that \$25.00 be charged for file search.

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Councilman Harrington motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot that a \$25.00 fee be charged for file search for Code Enforcement. The fee schedule would be updated.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes - 0

It was mentioned about the Coila project. This is a Landlord and Tenant issue.

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None

Transfers

Resolution #60

Councilman Harrington motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to move September Misc. Animal Control Fees in the amount of \$56.20 to Dog Control, Contractual A3510.4.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes – 0

Resolution #61

Councilman Harrington motioned, Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to take unanticipated revenue from Building Permits B2555 in the amount of \$500 and make budget modification to transfer to B3620.4 (Code Inspector, Contractual).

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes – 0

Resolution #62

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Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, Seconded by Councilman Harrington to give Margaret Shaw the Clerk to the supervisor permission to pay NYSLRS Annual Invoice upon arrival prior to board audit, if necessary.

Vote: Ayes – 3 Noes – 0

Let it be known that verbal permission was secured from Supervisor Fedler and 3 board members to transfer \$167.17 from General A Contingent (A1990.4) to Finance, Purchasing (A1345.4) to cover a check order on September 18th, 2018.

Also let it be known that \$353.12 will be transferred from the Town Hall Reserve fund to cover paint bill audited tonight per Resolution #36, May 14, 2018.

County Budget

The Supervisor mentioned that the County Budget is at 1.94% increase. All they are working on currently at the county is the budget.

There being no further business before the Town Board, the meeting was moved and carried for adjournment at 8:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Greenawalt
Town Clerk/Town of Cambridge