August 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on August 10, 2022 at 7:00pm at the Ellington Town Hall 813 West Main St, Ellington, NY.

Present: Karen G. Bifaro, Supervisor

 Barbara Beightol, Councilwoman

 Kevin Colburn, Councilman

 Bradley Griffith, Councilman

 Kate Conti, Town Clerk/ Recording Secretary

**Public Participation**

With no one present for public participation this portion of the meeting was closed.

**Highway Superintendent Report**

The highway crew has been busy ditching, cutting shoulders and installing driveway pipes. Pipes were installed on Abby Road, Waterman Road, four pipes and two GI’s on Hagerdon Hill Road. Ellington has been working with the county on Harris Hollow Road to install large rocks to prevent washouts.

The new Ford F550 was delivered, and is being lettered and fitted with lights, radio, tool box, sander and fenders.

The Loader has had updates, and been serviced by Five Star, it has been returned.

Motion made by Beightol, second by Colburn to accept the Highway Superintendent report.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

**Unfinished Business**

Supervisor Bifaro read a letter from the SPCA that they will no longer be taking stray dogs, the board discussed the problem.

Work in the drainage district has been completed.

The Break Away Hoops for the town park have been donated to the town and will be installed by Councilman Brainard.

Sidewalks were also discussed, Councilwoman Beightol and Supervisor

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Bifaro walked around the town sidewalks, most of the sidewalks just need cleaned off.

Supervisor Bifaro signed and returned the Letter of Engagement to Attorney Lundberg and will be sending him a copy of the information that we have on Industrial Solar for his opinion.

**New Business**

No new business was discussed at this time.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Griffith to accept the Minutes of July 13,2022 as submitted.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

**Budget modifications**

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to accept the Budget transfers to the General Fund as submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Colburn to accept the Budget transfers and modifications to the Highway Fund as submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Beightol to accept the Budget transfers and modifications to the Drainage Fund as submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

**Audit and Payment of Claims**

At this time the town board reviewed the bills.

General Fund Claim Nos: #182-#197 $5,804.12

Highway Fund Claim Nos: #109- #119 $197,461.99

Trust & Agency #14-15 $3,569.79

**Abstract NO 9 Total 206,835.90**

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Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Colburn to pay the bills as submitted.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

**Audit and Payment of Claims**

At this time the town board reviewed the bills.

General Fund Claim Nos: #198-#219 $15,539.41

Highway Fund Claim Nos: #119- #130 $84,663.52

Trust & Agency #16 $585.78

**Abstract NO 10 Total $100,788.71**

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Colburn to pay the bills as submitted.

VOTE: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol- aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

**Monthly Reports**

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Beightol to accept the Town Clerk Monthly report.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith- aye, Beightol-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Brainard to accept the Building Code Officers report.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith-aye, Beightol-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

Motion made by Griffith Seconded by Beightol to give permission to the Building Code Officer to double the permit amount with a minimum charge of $100 for anyone who builds without permits when permits are needed.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith-aye, Beightol-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Beightol to accept the Supervisor’s Deposits report.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith-aye, Beightol-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

Motion made by Beightol seconded by Brainard to accept the Financial Report as submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Griffith-aye, Beightol-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried.

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**Committee Reports**

No Committee Reports at this time.

\*With no other business to come before the Town Board, a motion was made by Colburn to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate A. Conti

Town Clerk /Recording Secretary