

April 12, 2022

**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Of the Town Board of the Town of Cuba**  
Held at the Cuba Library, 39 E. Main St. Cuba, NY 14727

**Present:**

Supervisor: Lee James  
Council Persons: Melodie Farwell, Michele Conklin, Jacob James  
Also Present: Allesia Heslin, Town Clerk, Dustin Burch, Police Chief, Chad Smith, Highway Superintendent  
Absent: Daniel McGraw, Aaron Appleby, Ambulance Administrator,

Supervisor James called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm.

**Public Comments:** Mary Lindquest was wondering what the 50ft. stream markers were around the lake. Nobody was sure, they will look into it

**Board Comments:** none

**Supervisor Comments:** none

**Minutes for 03/08/2022, Supervisor's Report for March & General & Highway Abstracts for April:**

When asked, board members responded yes, they had reviewed the minutes, reports and abstracts.

**The Supervisor's Report** showed the general fund received \$44,841.76. The highway fund received \$56,753.00. Disbursements include \$137,219.17 for general and \$38,369.22 for highway.

**The April Abstract #04** dispersed \$66,079.88 from the General Fund and \$14,931.08 from the Highway Fund. On the motion of J. James and seconded by Conklin the reports were accepted as presented.

**Clerk Comments:** none

**Assessor's Comments:**

- Completed tax roll and submitted to the county, waiting on corrections to come back

**Police Department Comments:** In the month of March the department conducted 22 traffic stops, 5 in the Town, 5 in the Village, 6 on the Lake, 0 on I-86 for a total of 16 uniform traffic tickets issued. 7 motor vehicle accidents occurred, 3 in the Town, 2 in the Village, 1 on the Lake, and 1 on I-86. There were 136 calls for service.

The police will be handing out COVID test kits

Will complete taser and use of force training tomorrow

Burch thanked the board for allowing him more time to look into the Facebook comments issue

L. James thanked Burch for recognizing the Board at the police award ceremony

**Ambulance Comments:**

The Cuba Ambulance Service responded to a total of 11 calls to service in March of 2022. 5 of those calls were taken to Olean General Hospital, 2 was taken to Jones Memorial Hospital and 4 were sign offs, 0 was mutual aid, 0 were standby, 0 were taken by Mercy Flight and 0 were DOA. 2 of these calls were critical care with Cuba handling 2 and Olean 10/MTS handling 0. 7 of these calls were in the Village of Cuba, 2 were in the Town of

Cuba, 0 were on the lake, 0 was mutual aid to Friendship, 0 was mutual aid to Clarksville, 2 were to New Hudson and 0 were on I-86.

**Highway Comments:**

- Fixing shoulders where they washed out from rain and snow melt
- Cold patching potholes
- Piling sand
- Plowed eight days in March

The highway department received a grant from Assemblyman Giglio's office for \$50,000, they will be using it to put down 1 ½" of asphalt from the end of West Main Street to the Village line. CHIPS money will be used to finish the job.

Collier Road, a crossover road, has been washed out and will cost approximately \$250,000 to repair. The property owner's would like to have the road declared abandoned. Smith will look into the process of declaring it abandoned. The property owner's have egress and access to emergency services. L. James will look into next steps

**Equipment Repairs:**

- Took 2015 Freightliner to Fleet Maintenance for check engine lights on
- Welded new hinges on doors in boxes of two trucks
- Put new hubs on Broom
- Pull brake and steering pump out of grader for repair

**Sewer Committee:** none

**Facilities:**

- Flags are up,
- New mulch will be put down in front of Town Hall
- Caution yellow and parking space lines will be repainted with help from the Village
- \$30,000 in funds were received for the JCAP grant, contractors have been contacted to move forward with filing space and judges quarters

**Dog Control Comments:**

3-16-2022

- Town Clerk received a call from Jessica Whitesell in regards to 3 dogs running on their property, one of which was possibly injured. Made contact with Jessica and went to the property. I was unable to locate the dog. Jessica believed the dogs to belong to owned by Todd Morehouse. After speaking with Todd the dogs were his. I advised Todd of the Town Law Section 10, Part C. Todd stated he would keep the dog on his land.

3-26-2022

- Cuba PD received a call from Tom about a dog running loose on North Branch Rd. Cuba PD notified me of the call. The dog had been tied up by the time I made it to the location. The dog was found to have a collar with no tags. I scanned for a Microchip, but did not have one. I took possession of the dog until the owners could be located.

3-27-2022

-A female caller called to report a dog running loose around their farm. She stated the dog had been around for about a week. She stated the dog was gone at the time of the call. I drove down 305, up Keller Hill, and down

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Prospect back to 305. I was unable to locate the dog. I tried making contact with the woman's husband but he did not answer his phone. Have not been able to locate the dog.

**Code Enforcement Comments:** none

**New Business:**

Conklin presented the Town of Cuba Bicentennial Plans

- Donations of \$4,800.00
- Cemetery Tour-Tom & Wendy
- Walking Tour of Churches – Theresa
- Ghost Tours – Wendy
- Update on Comm. Beer & Souvenir Glasses – Steve & Michele
- Bake Off & Cook Off -Brien
- Flag Day Chicken BBQ June 5<sup>th</sup> (Chamber & Bicentennial)
- TAPS across America & Memorial Day
- Bicentennial Cookbook – Connie, Martha, Lou & Michele
- Book Mark
- Beard Growing – Brian Loucks
- Seneca Oil Springs – Joe Stahlman and Suzanne Krull
- Wreaths Across America – Mary & Mary
- Mike Randall – Mark Twain May 7<sup>th</sup> 2pm (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
- Historical Vignettes – Nettie & Connie
- Kelly's One of A Kinds – Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
- Legion Activities – Jeanette Maxim & Charmaine Bean
- Garlic Fest
- Patriotic & Antique Boat Parade – Connie & Martha
- Greenway Trail Walk & Concert – Aug 8<sup>th</sup> Michele
- Ice Cream Social – Mary & Mary Aug 21 1-3 Boat Launch
- Community Picnic – July 24<sup>th</sup> Empire City Farms
- Bicentennial Scavenger Hunt 10/16 Palmer
- Stars Fun Fly & Car Show with kite making and flying -David Igel & Steve Raub on July 9 & 19

Farwell conducted the Justice Court audit with the help of court clerk Robin Pearl. Farwell mentioned that it was much easier this year. On the motion from Conklin, seconded by J. James, a motion was made to accept the audit with no discrepancies found. All in favor.

Farwell mentioned that In Tandem now offers paper shredding at \$.50 per pound if any of the departments have a need.

**Old Business:** none

At 7:37pm Farwell made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Seconded by J. James. At 7:44pm the meeting reconvened with a motion from Farwell, seconded by Conklin. With no further business to discuss, J. James motioned to adjourn, seconded by Farwell. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Allesia A. Heslin, Town Clerk