Present: John A. Pfeffer, Supervisor

Angela M. Ghani, Council Deputy Supervisor

William J. Heim, Council

Jean M. Bond, Council

James P. Boberg, Council

Patricia R. Dashnaw, Town Clerk

Keith Butcher, Highway Superintendent

Larry Feldman, Code Enforcement Officer

Others present: Joseph Pillittere, Bryan Bower, Max Borsuk, Janay Ghani

A regular meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United State Flag at the Ashford Community Center at 7:00pm with John A. Pfeffer Town Supervisor presiding.

#### **RESOLUTION 72-2022**

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Council Boberg seconded by Council Ghani the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani

Nays 0

Resolved the Town Board of the Town of Ashford hereby approve the agenda as presented

Bryan Bower reported a visit to WVDP by Nicole Nelson-Jean, Associate Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Field of Operations will take place next week. Completed and upcoming demolition projects will be discussed.

Joe Pillittere reported on the Main Plant Deconstruction progress. The process is updated on the CHBWV website and has pictures of continued deconstruction. The new security measures taken at WVDP are necessary in the current environment.

### **RESOLUTION 73-2022**

# APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS ITEMS

On motion of Council Ghani seconded by Council Heim the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani

Navs 0

Resolved hearing no objections, Agenda Item F1 through F7 be and are approved by the Town Board of the Town of Ashford, and shall be listed individually as follows in the minutes of this meeting:

October Assessors Report

2. October Code Enforcement Report

3. October 10, 2022

4. October Supervisors Financial Report

5. October Town Clerk Report

6. October Highway Fuel Report

## 7. General Fund No. 268 through 296 \$24,375.62 Highway Fund No. 145 through 159 \$36,045.41 Light District No. 11 \$780.80 Trust & Agency No. 99 through 107 \$10,336.74

Trust & Agency No. 99 through 107 \$10,336.74 Water District No. 74 through 84 \$2,534.16

# SUPERVISORS MANAGEMENT REPORT:

- Short term rentals are an upcoming issue with legislation in some areas. Ashford may have to look at this in the future.
- COPS Grant is still being considered with all departments committing to the program. Due to current Cattaraugus County Contract negotiations, the original amount rate of pay is not accurate. This will be addressed using funds out of necessary appropriations. When there is an eligible candidate graduating from the academy, a person can be hired. WVCS also has a need for a school resource officer so perhaps a shared service can be implemented. A car for a person filling the position may have to be considered as well.
- The Planning Board and Town Board will have a joint meeting in December.
- Ellicottville has yet to respond to the possibility of using the Ashford Kennel.
- CTF grant is available if Ashford is the Lead Agency.

# HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT BUTCHER REPORTS:

- ➤ The dump truck sold at auction for \$25,100.
- > Christmas Tree for Tree Lighting will be put up.
- > State bid is being researched for a loader
- A pickup truck can't be purchased due to supply shortage.
- Preparations are being made for the arrival of snow.
- The fence in the municipal parking is in terrible shape but easements need to be secured prior to repairs.
- The easements required to remove the remainder of the sidewalk bridge have been completed. The county will remove them as soon as time permits.
- ➤ Hazard mitigation grant needed further details to complete the process. Changes were made and resubmitted.

Code Enforcement officer Feldman reported upcoming projects have slowed down. Few small projects being done. Architects need to be consulted before some can proceed.

Water Operator Bill Sloand is planning to retire. Primary operator is getting ready to fill the position. Correspondence regarding meters is anticipated for December.

### **RESOLUTION 74-2022**

### APPROVAL OF ECA GRANT LEAD AGENCY

On motion of Council Boberg seconded by Council Bond the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani

Nays 0

Resolved Town of Ashford Town Board approves of the Town acting as lead agency in applying for the ECA Local Government Education and Outreach Funding Opportunity for Frontline Communities with no cost to the town.

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### **RESOLUTION 75-2022**

# APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE COURT CLERK

On motion of Council Bond seconded by Council Boberg the following resolution was

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani

Nays

Resolved the Town Board approve the advertising for a substitute Court Clerk not to exceed appropriated funds.

### **RESOLUTION 76-2022**

# AUTHORIZE JOINT MEETING WITH PLANNING BOARD

On motion of Council Ghani seconded by Council Boberg the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani

> Nays 0

Resolved the Town Board authorize a joint meeting with the planning board members December 14, 2022 at 6pm prior to the regular Town Board meeting contingent of planning board members approval.

A motion was made by Boberg seconded by Ghani and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 7:24pm.

(All aye)

Patricia R. Dashnaw—Town Clerk