May 11, 2022

The regular meeting of the Ellington Town Board was held on May 11, 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

 David Brainard, Councilman

 William Green, Highway Superintendent

 Barbara Beightol, Town Clerk/Recording Secretary

Supervisor opened the meeting at 7:00p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Participation**

There was no one present for public participation.

**Highway Superintendent Report**

Brad Brainard and his crew have finished the roof repairs on the cold storage building. The highway crew has been busy removing winter plow, wings and plow frames after painting them and are now putting on bumpers and aprons for the summer. They have been ditching on Old Chautauqua Road and putting in driveway pipes on Harris Hollow ad at the golf course on Dean Road.

We will be busy replacing 4 cross tubes because of rusted pipes, 2 on Waterman, 1 on Wolcott and 1 on South Hill. The cross tube on South Hill will be a big project and the road will be closed for a while. We will be putting up flags for Memorial Day in the town. We are setting up for skid paving as hot blacktop will be starting soon. C&C construction has been spray foaming the roof in the shop, there was a problem with product and they have not finished yet. The new truck is still scheduled by the end of the month. Truck #9 needs to have work done before it can be inspected. The heaters in the highway building will be scheduled for install in July.

NYS Department of transportation is adding thru pave New York an additional $27,000 for black top and pot hole repair, this will be in addition to the CHIPS money.

A quote was received by Brainard Builders for enclosing the man door and windows on the shop to seal them and stop leaks, this will be for future consideration.

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

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

**Unfinished Business**

The electric in the park was discussed, Colburn and Beightol have been working hard on getting quotes and ideas for the electricity in the park. They met today with Jeff Molnar who is helping some of the electricians obtain products needed for our project. He should be getting this information to these companies so that bids can be submitted in in the next few weeks.

The Commercial Solar Energy Systems Law was discussed.

Motion made by Brainard seconded by Beightol to table discussion.

The tree removal in the ball park should be done soon, they are checking to make sure the ground is dry enough for the heavy equipment. They will be cutting, hauling away and grinding stumps.

**New Business**

Reminder of the Annual Conference on June 9.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Colburn to accept the minutes of April 13,2022 as submitted.

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

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**Audit and Payment of Claims**

At this time the town board reviewed the bills.

General Fund Claim Nos: #107-#126 $12,219.72

Highway Fund Claim Nos: #70- #81 $32,796.46

Trust & Agency #9-10 $3,569.79

Sl1 162.95

Sl2 194.81

**Abstract NO 5 Total $49000.00**

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

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

**Monthly Reports**

Motion made by Colburn, seconded by Brainard to accept the Town Clerk Monthly report.

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

 Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Beightol to accept the Town Supervisor monthly report.

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

Motion made by Colburn, seconded by Brainard to accept the DCO report.

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

Motion made by Beightol, seconded by Brainard to accept the Justice Court report.

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

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

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

Motion made by Brainard, seconded by Colburn to accept the Budget Transfer/ Modifications as submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat.

Vote: Colburn-aye, Brainard- aye, Beightol-aye, Bifaro-aye, carried

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**Audit and Payment of Claims**

At this time the town board reviewed the bills.

General Fund Claim Nos: #63-#106 $16,805.79

Highway Fund Claim Nos: #42- #69 $66,127.88

Trust & Agency #9-10 $3,569.79

Abstract NO.4 Total $88,503.46

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 Colburn, seconded by Griffith to accept the Town Clerk Monthly report.

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

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to accept the Town Tax Collector Monthly report.

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

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Beightol to accept the Town Supervisor monthly report.

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

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

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

Motion made by Griffith, seconded by Colburn to accept the Budget Transfer/ Modifications as submitted by Bahgat & Laurito-Bahgat.

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

Other issues discussed by the board are the question of band concerts which was tabled until the next meeting.

Basket ball hoops were discussed, David Brainard will check in pricing for breakaway hoops and backboards for the park.

Sidewalks were also discussed a walk around town will be done to assess the needs for repairs to the sidewalks.

\*With no other business to come before the Town Board, a motion was made by Colburn to adjourn at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Beightol, Deputy Town Clerk /Recording Secretary