

LUMBERLAND TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 15, 2017

The Lumberland Town Board held a Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, at 7 p.m., at the Town Hall in Glen Spey, N.Y. Deputy Supervisor Leigh Sherman opened the meeting at 7 p.m., noting that Supervisor Mellan was absent and requested that Councilman Carr lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was administered to those members present:

Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Leigh Sherman
Councilman Joseph Carr
Councilman James Akt
Councilwoman Zoriana Gingold
Supervisor Jenny Mellan was Absent

Also present were Town Clerk Virginia Horn, Constable Robert Maas, Chief Constable Patrick Cahill, Rose Carr, Historian Frank Schwarz, Highway Superintendent Don Hunt, Jr., Supervisor's Bookkeeper Jeanne Mulcahey, Supervisor's Clerk Heidi Spannos, Debbie & Vincent Martino, Fire Dept. President Ann Steimle, Christina Stacy, Noah Kallina, Attorney for the Town Danielle-Jose Decker, Yaron Fidler, Dave Hulse from the River Reporter and Steven Kosmacher.

MINUTES

Councilman Carr made a motion to accept the Re-Organizational Meeting & the Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2017, the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2017 and the Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 18, 2017 as written, seconded by Councilwoman Gingold, all in favor, so carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Monthly Reports:
 - a. Supervisor
 - b. Highway Superintendent
 - b. Town Clerk
 - c. Buildings
 - d. Constables
 - e. Fire Dept.

2. Town of Forestburgh Resolution – Moratorium Public Hearing
3. Governor Press Release- E-Z Pass on the Go sales
4. Sustainable Energy Development Information

Councilwoman Gingold made a motion to accept Correspondence #1 through #4, seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor, so carried.

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PRE-FILED RESOLUTIONS

- #56 - Reserve Funds Transfers – Constable &
- #58 - Municipal Offices Computer Server Equipment Purchase
- #59 - Senior Center Floor Cleaning Project Approval
- #60 - Secondary Town Engineer Appt. – Fuller
- #61 - Buildings Replacement Heaters Purchase Approval
- #62 - Planning Board Alternate Member Appt. – Martell (Late File)
- #63 - Approve Auction Bids for Surplus Equipment (Late File)

Deputy Supervisor Sherman reported that both quotes for the Senior Center flooring were for 4 coats of wax. Deputy Supervisor Sherman reported that the Town Custodian recommended Wash on Wheels and Councilwoman Gingold agreed. The Fire Dept. Chief noted that they used Dependable Cleaning and recommended them. Councilman Akt noted he was not going to vote on this resolution.

ABSTRACTS

Councilwoman Gingold made a motion to approve Audit and Approval of General Fund & Highway #2, 2017, General Fund Prepaid Claims in the amount of \$ 17,650.06, General Fund Claims G17-#033 through #093, in the amount of \$ 32,016.89, Highway Fund Prepaid Claims in the amount of \$ 13,486.47, and Highway Fund Claims #H17-#002 through #0074 in the amount of \$ 96,788.53, with a total of Abstract #2, 2017 of \$ 159,941.95, seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor so carried. Councilman Akt did not participate in the voting.

Proclamations

New Business

REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Councilman Carr reported the Seniors will be having their 1st meeting of the year next month, noting the Senior Advisory Board will have their meeting on the last Monday of the month.

Councilwoman Gingold reported she attended the UDC meeting where the new officers were installed, noting they discussed their fund raisers. Councilwoman Gingold reported the Little League is working with the Parks Commissioner on work to be done at the ball field.

Councilman Akt has nothing to report.

Deputy Supervisor Sherman questioned if we had gotten anybody to apply for the Cemetery Committee? The Town Clerk reported she has received nothing.

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The Attorney for the Town had nothing to report.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector reported they have made the town whole with tax monies and sent a check to the County for \$1,500,000.00, noting collecting tax money has slowed down and they have til the end of March to collect before turning everything over to the County. Deputy Supervisor Sherman reported people are getting their tax refund checks which is mainly because the Town Board kept the budget under the 2% tax cap and they should be getting them again this year.

Grant Writer, Frank Schwarz, reported he is still working on the SAM Grant for the new highway truck, noting the Town Board will need to do a resolution at their next month's meeting to approve the amount for the Highway software program.

Fire Dept. President, Ann Steimle, reported there were 2 significant fires in Yulan and the conditions were not the best, noting that at the fire at Washington Lake they dealt with everything freezing up. Steimle noted the other fire a family lost their home. Steimle reported that the Fire Chief did leave a crew here in town while another crew was sent to Yulan to assist at those fires. Steimle requested permission to have a few minutes at a future meeting to explain the difference between Advance Life Support ambulances and Basic Life Support ambulances, noting Lumberland is a Basic Life Support Ambulance and do not have paramedics. Steimle reported the new Fire Dept. radios are coming in and they are working well, noting the Town helped pay for the cost. Steimle reported they are getting the tones from the County. Yaron Fidler stated that he heard that the Fire Dept. was charging \$1,800 for using their ambulance? Steimle quickly dispelled that rumor by stating the Fire Dept. never charges for the use of the ambulance, noting it is mandated by the State that a paramedic has to respond to certain types of calls and that is who is billing, not the Fire Dept. Steimle stated that if they respond you can tell them you do not want a paramedic. Steimle stated that calls rated an A or B do not require paramedics but C & D are considered life threatening and do require a paramedic, noting they are trying to get them to agree to not bill those on Medicare. The Town Clerk verified that she has had to call our ambulance on more than one occasion and has never been billed by our Fire Dept.

The Chief Constable noted the Constabulary Monthly Report.

The Code Enforcement Officer, Dave Sparling, reported we had a brief power outage on January 24th and the generator kicked on immediately. Sparling reported he and Frank Schwarz changed some of the light bulbs, noting the cost was not covered through the grants. Sparling reported he took pictures of the Rio Dam Road since Eagle Creek is in the process of renewing their FERC license, noting people use that road over the dam and it is in bad shape. Sparling reported it is early in the licensing renewal but he would like the town be involved in it.

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OPEN FLOOR TO PUBLIC

Steven Kosmacher reported that Van Tuyl Road needs to be repaved, noting you can't see the problems when driving over it but if you are walking the road it becomes an issue. Kosmacher questioned the Highway Superintendent as to when the road would be repaved? The Highway Superintendent reported the roads are resealed every 3 to 5 years.

Councilman Akt questioned how the highway was making out with the new truck they just ordered? The Highway Superintendent reported he has been told by Robert Green's it should have delivery within 2 weeks but it could be within the next month.

Deputy Supervisor Sherman noted the Special Announcements.

Councilwoman Gingold made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Councilman Carr, all in favor, so carried.

Deputy Supervisor Sherman requested the record show that Councilman Akt stated after the meeting was closed he will not be the Liaison to the Cemetery Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia V. Horn, Town Clerk