

Town of Ledyard  
Monthly Meeting  
August 12, 2019

A monthly meeting of the Ledyard Town Board, County of Cayuga in the State of New York was held on the 12th day of August 2019 at the Ledyard Town Hall, 1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026 at 7:30 pm.

PRESENT: Mark Jordan, Supervisor  
Jim Frisch, Councilman  
Scott Heinekamp, Councilman  
Dave Bennett, Councilman  
John Binns, Councilman  
Stephan Arnold, Superintendent of Highways  
Jamie Bailey, Clerk

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:  
10 guests

**PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS**

Supervisor, Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence to remember our troops.

**PRIVILEGE FROM FLOOR/CONCERNS**

Roberta Massarini introduced herself as the new Cayuga County Republican Committee Chairman replacing Cheryl Heary.

Camp Gregory submitted the written letter in regards to utilizing the storage area at the town barn for councilman to review and sign.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND WORK PLACE VIOLENCE TRAINING**

August 29, 2019 @ 7pm by Kevin Townsend. All members and employees need to attend. If the town is not in compliance by October 09, 2019 we could be subject to an audit and fines.

**OPEN HOUSE**

Open House will be held on September 1, 2019 from 5-7pm with flag raising ceremony at 6pm.

**AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT**

The Ag. District map was shown and areas were discussed.

**SUNEAST SOLAR**

Debbie Ross informed the board that the Suneast Solar project is different from the Cornell Solar Farm as this is an archeological project and the Cornell solar was a commercial project. Working with building consultants and Army Corps of Engineering in regards to working the wetlands (wooded area). They will need a letter of approval before proceeding with SEQR process. They will also need a letter from the archeologist. Planning Board Chairman Ross mentioned that there is 75 acres of farmland out of the 131.5 acres and there is nothing in the Town of Ledyards Zoning Law that states that 25-75% needs to be kept as farmland. At this point there is nothing in the zoning law which therefore means a person can do with their land as they wish. The substation located on Dublin Hill Rd. will need to be added on in order to proceed with this solar farm. Doing studies with the utility company and still in process. Once information is obtained, they will share with the planning board. Suneast is also working with the county regarding the pilot program. Documents for the storm water prevention plan, special permit application and decommissioning plan will arrive this week. The pilot

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program is planning on being discussed at the September meeting. The application for the pilot will be submitted next week. These programs need to operate with a pilot program. Suneast is positive the pilot program will go through with the county. The county will have to have all documents for 239 review by September 10, 2019 for the September 19, 2019 meeting.

A motion was made that the Town of Ledyard to become lead agency for the Dogs Corner Solar Project  
Motion made SH  
Seconded JF

SEQR will be reviewed by the town board. Suneast needs to get the letter from both NYS Park and Recreations along with Army Corp.

SEQR will go to county Planning Board and returned to the town around September 19, 2019. The town will then have a public hearing for the October meeting.

Chairman Ross has asked Supervisor Jordan that during the public hearing; also include the accessory apartments in the zoning law. Law states you cannot have 2 dwellings on 1 lot. (Zoning Law Article 2; Section C).

Part 2&3 of the SEQR was reviewed, completed and will be sent to the County.

### **HIGHWAY**

Highway Superintendent, Arnold stated that if we continue with our current propane company Amerigas, which the rates are quoted at \$1.73 with a contract. Suncast from Phelps came in at \$1.24 and we can lock in that price for the year. It was agreed that the town goes with the cheapest propane company. Superintendent, Arnold will need to keep track of when the tank gets low and the existing propane company, Amerigas does not refill.

A 5% increase annually for 5yrs will be presented to the County Legislators for County Highways.

Superintendent Arnold applied for a grant through Soil and Water for a 50/50 split on a Hoop Barn to store sand. The decision will be made in December. Councilman Binns asked if the town could have a monthly delivery of sand for the town to have a smaller hoop barn for storage instead of bulk buying which would need a larger hoop barn. Superintendent Arnold will check into this

Dills Gully needs to be repaired. Superintendent Arnold stated for a rental of an excavator it would be \$1,500 for weekly use or the town could hire someone local to do it. Arnold would like this done before winter. Comparison of the two will be done.

Flagpole has been placed.

### **NYSEG**

NYSEG will be coming to the town hall to convert lighting to LED within the next couple of weeks.

### **ENUMERATION**

Clerk Bailey explained that there have been several problems in the town with dogs. It was suggested that the town does a mail enumeration. Bailey provided the councilman with a quote of \$535.00 which would cover the Aurora mailing area (1,066), postage, and return postage. Bailey will further research options.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: To approve the July 8, 2019 minutes

Motion By: Councilman Frisch  
Seconded By: Councilman Bennett

**Motion Carried**

Ayes	3	Heinekamp, Frisch, Bennett
Nays	0	
Abstention	1	Binns

**Motion Passed**

**APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

Motion to approve the Supervisor, Code Enforcement and Clerk Reports

**Motion By:** Councilman Frisch  
**Seconded By:** Councilman Binns

**Motion Carried**

Ayes	4	Heinekamp, Frisch, Bennett, Binns
Nays	0	

**Motion Passed**

**BILLS**

A Motion was made to pay all bills on Abstract 08; voucher 191; totaling \$59,504.16; Account A \$4,135.36; B \$36.64; DB \$55,332.16

Motion by: Councilman Frisch  
Seconded by: Councilman Binns

**Motion Carried**

Ayes	4	Heinekamp, Frisch, Bennett, Binns
Nays	0	

**Motion Passed**

*Councilman Heinekamp replaced a cover plate on the electrical plug in the meeting room.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made to Adjourned at 9:43pm

Motion by: Councilman Frisch  
Seconded by: Councilman Bennett

**Motion Carried**

Ayes	4	Heinekamp, Frisch, Bennett, Binns
Nays	0	

**Motion Passed**