

Regular Meeting of the Ledyard Town Board
December 11, 2017
1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026

This meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. All members of the board were present.

Present: Mark Jordan, Supervisor

Jim Frisch, Councilman
Dan Green, Councilman
John Binns, Councilman
David Bennet, Councilman
Stephan Arnold, Highway Superintendent
Tiffany Potter, Town Clerk

Others: Jamie Bailey, 841 Dublin Hill Road, Aurora, NY 13026

Judy Kay Furness, 765 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026
Ken Furness, 765 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026
Trudy Buxenbaum, 2620 Dog Corners Road, Aurora, NY 13026
Debbie Ross & Bill Tutton, 2108 Lake Road, Aurora, NY 13026
Gary Bush, 132 West Groton Road, Groton, NY 13073
Kyle Davis, 95 ½ Goton Avenue, Cortland, NY 13045
Jason Halton, 190 Coner Creek Road, Ithaca, NY, 14850

PLEDGE – REMEMBER THE TROOPS

PRIVILEGE FROM THE FLOOR: Trudy Buxenbaum takes the floor; asks about the town newsletter, if we could possibly start one again to keep the residents of Ledyard more informed of the happenings within Ledyard; for events, elections, Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board Meetings, and regulations pertaining to the zoning and planning, etc.

She was also here to show her support for our Town Historian, Judy Furness. She asked that we show more support for our Town Historian, as she is knowledgeable, knows family stories and the towns history, and she deserves a better facility for all of these historical items, not just for her, but for the town to have access as well. As plans move forward for the new Town Hall addition, to move the archives and historical items from Judy's house to the new facility. Trudy also shared with us pictures of new Cemetery signs that Judy and her husband Ken, made for the Emily Howland Cemetery on Poplar Ridge Road.

REPORTS: Jim Frisch, regarding the November Minutes, asks that we change, under the BUDGET section, to "Clerks" from "Clerk" under the Planning Board, Zoning Board, and Assessor "Clerks". And under HIGHWAY, change to "flails on knives" from "rollers". Minutes have been updated, and reprinted.

On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Dan Green, the Minutes for November 13, 2017 have been approved as submitted.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

PROPOSED ADDITION: Gary Bush, and his associates Kyle Davis and Jason Halton came to the meeting tonight to showcase the new proposed Town Hall Addition.

PROPOSED ADDITION: The new addition will be 24x60, post pole barn style (as one option). This will be exactly 38ft away from the road. The addition will have the option of an upstairs level; possibly used for more storage. One option will have the Archives/Historian room on

filling the entire west side, 12x23 ft, of the new addition; climate controlled. The Historian office and meeting room would be directly in front of the Archives room, with access for both the Historian and the Town Clerk. Another option for the addition, was the archives room and historian office be in the direction of east to west, with the meeting room in the middle and the new Town Clerk office at the east side, with a whole new entrance (this would apply to both of the first two options).

The stairs to go up to the second level would be on the west side, and lead to a 720 sq.ft area, 30x24. This space can be used for the storage of any clerk, zoning, assessor, highway papers that need to be kept until they meet the retention date schedule.

There will be no windows put in the new archives room, as we cannot have any damage from the sun, or outside weather that will affect the historical items.

A few proposed ideas for the other offices currently in the building, the Town Clerks office would become Code Enforcement and possibly Assessor. The Justice department would move into the small office in the back where the archives room is currently located. And possibly, the Assessor could move into the justice department office.

Another option, besides pole barn style, Gary Bush suggested to build on slab; pour concrete slab, and build the building on top of that.

The members of the Town board are currently going over the blueprints and drawings to discuss further ideas for this addition. Gary Bush and his associates Kyle and Jason will return for future meetings as we progress further.

REPORTS: On motion by Dan Green, Seconded by Jim Frisch, the supervisor, Clerk and Code Officer Reports for November were approved as submitted.

VOTE: 5 Aye, 0 Nay

PLANNING BOARD: Debbie Ross speaks up about the planning board. She lets us know that the zoning laws aren't quite stated clearly, possibly re-write the existing laws. Special permits should be specified more clearly. Any restoration permits and projects should be given more time; some permits are given to have a repair done within six months, and approved. This should also be changed. Lake property residents should be given more time, as they are only here certain months out of the year. And the solar/planning is almost ready to submit, should be all set by February. At the January meeting, they will announce suggestions to replace Ron Buxenbaum, Debbie Ross came to mind, and possibly a few others.

On motion by Jim Frisch, and seconded by Dan Green, to have this handed over to the new Planning Board Committee in January.

VOTE: 5 Aye, 0 Nay

DOG CONTROL AGREEMENT: 2018

One correction, page 3, for payment, section "a", at \$235 for 12 equal payments, the total should be corrected to \$2,820 and not what is stated, \$3,820

This contract will be held, voted and signed at the January organizational meeting.

END OF THE YEAR BREAKFAST: Thursday, December 28, 2017, at 9:00 am, an end of the year breakfast will be held here at town hall for all the members of the Town board, planning board, zoning board, highway department and the town clerk.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: Councilman Dan Green brings up that Brian Hicks is intending to retire at the end of his term. Dan was thinking about schooling and courses to perhaps take Brian's position once he retires from Code Enforcer. Dan will be looking into information on how to get the schooling, etc, and let the board know his findings. However, Dan cannot be a part of the town board, if he gets appointed as Code Enforcer.

PAY BILLS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Dan Green, the bills on abstract #012, 251-277,
A=\$4,430.90 , B= \$20.24 , DB= \$10,270.14

VOTE: 5 Aye, 0 Nay

CIVIL SERVICE MEETING: The Town Board passes a resolution to remove the following positions
from the civil service positions; Dog Enumerator, Landfill Attendant, Motor Equipment Operator,
Recycling Attendant, Town Attorney, Town Budget Officer.

On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by David, the Town Board passes resolution.

VOTE: 5 Aye, 0 Nay

ADJOURN: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by John Binns, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m

VOTE: 5 Aye, 0 Nay

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Potter
Town Clerk