

Regular Meeting of the Ledyard Town Board  
August 14, 2017  
1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026

The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm. All Council members present.

PRESENT: Mark Jordan, Supervisor  
Jim Frisch, Councilman  
Dan Green, Councilman  
David Bennett, Councilman  
John Binns, Councilman  
Stephan Arnold, Highway Superintendent  
Rose Marie Belforti, Town Clerk

OTHERS: Tiffany Potter, Chase Road  
Judy Furness, Poplar Ridge Road  
Jamie Bailey, 841 Dublin Hill Road  
Debbie Ross & Bill Tutton, 2108 Lake Road  
Charles Thomas, Ledyard Attorney

PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS

PRIVILEGE FROM THE FLOOR: Jamie Bailey introduced herself to the Board. She is interested in the Town Clerk position. Tiffany Potter did the same.

Judy Furness, Town Historian was requesting an update on the Town Hall proposed building project.

Supervisor Mark Jordan said he has not heard from the Architect, Gary Bush since the last meeting.

Attorney Charles Thomas updated the Board members on the legal cases. Regarding the Section 78 action by Ron Harrison, Atty. Thomas sent a letter requesting the court to withdraw and dismiss the complaint based on Harrison's filing date. Atty. Thomas received a letter stating that Mr. Harrison agreed to withdraw his complaint

A lawsuit against the town concerning assessment by Aurora LLC regarding the George Peter property will also be dismissed.

The Reilly property owners in Aurora have filed a lawsuit each year from 2011 to 2014 because they claim their property assessment has been too high. The previous lawyer, Adam Van Buskirk filed an answer to the lawsuit each of these years. Usually each party in the lawsuit looks at appraisals. Reilly had appraisals done in 2011 through 2013. The Town of Ledyard never had the appraisals done so the lawyers never exchanged information. When Atty. Thomas went before the judge he did not know that the Town of Ledyard had not done the appraisals. The appraisals that the Reilly's had done were all at or higher than what he paid for the property. Atty. Thomas and the Town Board discussed if a new appraisal should be done of the Reilly property by the Town of Ledyard. After discussion they decided not to do an appraisal. The Town Board decided to wait and let the legal process play out.

APPROVE MINUTES: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Dan Green, the Minutes for July, 2017 were approved as submitted. Because the Town Board did not have a quorum for the meeting in July, there are no Minutes to approve.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

APPROVE JUNE REPORTS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Dan Green, the June Supervisor, Clerk and Code Officer reports were approved as submitted.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

APPROVE JULY REPORTS: On motion by Dan Green, seconded by David Bennett, the July Supervisor, Clerk and Code Officer reports were approved as submitted.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASE: Supervisor Mark Jordan reported to the Town Board that health insurance will increase 12% this year.

SOFTWARE PROGRAMS: Mark Jordan also informed the Town Board that the Williamson software programs will increase 2% this year.

LAPTOP FOR CODE OFFICER: Mark Jordan informed the Town Board that the Town of Ledyard purchased a new computer for the Code Officer, Brian Hicks.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Superintendent Stephan Arnold had discussion with the Town Board about purchasing insurance for the mower rental. They also discussed the Black Rock Road gully bridge road issues.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: The Town Board discussed briefly the committee needed for the review of the Ledyard Town Building Code.

BUDGET TRANSFERS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by David Bennett, the following budget transfers were approved by the Ledyard Town Board.

The Board of the Town of Ledyard hereby resolves to make the following budget transfers.

A FUND

Transfer (\$518.39) FROM A1220.4 Supervisor-Contractual

\$518.39 TO A1220.2 Supervisor-Equipment-Office Printer

Transfer (\$500.00) FROM A1450.4 Elections-Contractual

\$500.00 TO A1420.4 Attorney-Contractual

Transfer (\$8.80) FROM A1990.4 Contingent Account

\$8.80 TO A4230.4 Narcotics Control-Contractual

Transfer (\$100.00) FROM A8810.4 Cemeteries-Contractual

\$100.00 TO A8810.1 Cemeteries-Personal Services

Transfer (\$2,000.00) FROM A1620.4 Buildings-Contractual

\$2,000.00 TO A9040.8 Workers' Compensation

B FUND

Transfer (\$7.70) FROM B3620.4 Code Enforcement-Contractual

\$7.70 TO B3620.4 Planning-Contractual

Transfer (\$71.01) FROM B8010.4 Zoning-Contractual

\$71.01 TO B8020.4 Planning-Contra

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

PAY BILLS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by John Binns, all bills on abstract #007, #141-160, and abstract #008, #161-182 (except to Cayuga County Watershed) were approved for payment.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

ADJOURN: On motion by John Binns, seconded by Jim Frisch, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Marie Belforti  
Ledyard Town Clerk