

Regular Meeting of the Ledyard Town Board
October 10, 2016
1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

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

OTHERS: NONE

PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS

APPROVE MINUTES: On motion by Paul Hilliard, seconded by John Binns, the Minutes for August 2016 approved with correction to We Care contract (2 year contract, August 1st 2016-July 31st 2018).

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

APPROVE MINUTES: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Dan Green, the Minutes for September, 2016 were approved with correction to We Care contract...changed to tabled.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

REPORTS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Paul Hilliard, the Supervisor, Clerk and Code Officer Reports were approved as submitted.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

HIGHWAY REPORT:

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE LOADER: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by John Binns, the Ledyard Town Board approved the purchase of a 2016 Caterpillar 938M (Coupler) Loader, with the trade in of currently owned loader for \$11,654.00.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Discussion continued on the purchase of a tractor and mower for ditch work. Councilman Jim Frisch spoke his opinion concerning mowing the far side of the ditch. He said that years ago the far side of the ditch was not mowed. The brush that would grow was removed during winter months by the highway employees. He said that he worked for a highway department for 2 years long ago and at that time the Highway Departments owned a lot less iron than they do now. He referred to mowing the back side of the ditches as suburban creep, and that our area is becoming a more heavily industrialized farming community. And on a practical level, he said it costs more to keep them mowed.

Councilman John Binns wants to see the persistent weed growth on the far side of the ditches mowed. He also said that mowing helps with visibility of the deer population along the side of the roads, and also for drivers to have more visibility along the roads to see who is coming the other way.

Supervisor Mark Jordan suggested that Highway Superintendent Stephan Arnold continue to research the purchase of a tractor and mower.

COUNCILMAN PAUL HILLIARD RESIGNATION: Councilman Paul Hilliard presented his resignation letter to the Town Board. This October meeting will be his last meeting with the Ledyard Town Board.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: Councilman Jim Frisch reported on a meeting he attended with the Honoco Road Association regarding a sewerage feasibility study.

Scipio Ledyard Fire District Meeting will be on Oct.11, 2016. They request that Supervisors, Chiefs, and Commissioners attend. Mark Jordan said he would attend.

TOWN HALL PROPOSED ADDITION DISCUSSION: Mark Jordan met with architects on plans for the new addition.

PAY BILLS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Paul Hilliard, the bills on Abstract #010, #202-223; A=\$4,931.12; B=\$12.27; DA=\$0; DB=\$23,647.62 were approved for payment.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

ADJOURN: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by John Binns, the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Respectfully Submitted; Rose Marie Belforti, Ledyard Town Clerk

