

Regular Meeting of the Ledyard Town Board
August 10, 2015
Ledyard Town Hall, 1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm. Councilman John Binns was absent.

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

OTHERS: Stephen Arnold, Poplar Ridge Road
Edwin Nedrow, State Route 90
Ron Buxenbaum, Dog Corners Road
Min Creasy, Gully Road
Bill Dugan, Main Street, Aurora

PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS

PRIVILEGE FROM THE FLOOR: Ledyard Highway employees Ed Nedrow and Stephen Arnold were present regarding retiree issues.

APPROVE MINUTES: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Dan Green, the Minutes for July, 2015 were approved as submitted.

VOTE: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

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

VOTE: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

PLANNING BOARD DISCUSSION: The Chair of the Ledyard Planning Board, Ron Buxenbaum, and Planning Board member, Min Creasy appeared before the Ledyard Town Board to discuss the Wells College athletic field improvement proposal that has been presented to the Ledyard Planning Board for review. Ron Buxenbaum said that legal assistance may be necessary. Min Creasy said she spoke to Atty. Adam Van Buskirk. Supervisor Mark Jordan said he would also be having a conversation with Atty. Adam Van Buskirk. Ron said that a Wells College representative signed an agreement to reimburse the Town of Ledyard for legal expenses incurred. Ron also spoke with the Cayuga County Planning Board for advice on how to proceed. He said there will be a designated lead agency which could be the Ledyard Planning Board, but could also be another agency. The Ledyard Planning Board has an application from Wells College but cannot act on it yet because the SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review) application needs to be completed. Also, the proposed project application now on file with the Planning Board is no longer valid because the plans change at every meeting. Recently Wells College made a few concessions. 1. Not to use Fry Road for a construction vehicle route, and 2. Agrees to shut out lights at 10 pm. Residents have been concerned about issues such as sound, lights, water drainage, pollution, storm water runoff, and vandalism to name a few.

Min Creasy said she is glad to see local residents involved and that they care about the process. There is a petition signed by 29 residents with a list of concerns.

Discussion of the new brewery on Rt. 90: The brewery does not have a permit to operate. They need to meet with the Planning Board.

Min Creasy suggested the fee for a Planning Board application be increased to cover expenses. She reported that they just gave permission to another business on Rt. 90 for an Antique Printing Press on the corner of Moonshine Road.

TRANSFER SITE BUILDING PROJECT: The Transfer site construction on the outside of the building is complete. The inside still needs repairs. Mark Jordan said there are enough funds in the Transfer Site account to complete the project. Mark will call the Murphy Bros. to complete the project.

Transfer Site Attendant Bill Nivison has informed Highway Superintendent Jim Bailey that he would like to paint the compactor at the Transfer Site.

TOWN HALL BUILDING PROJECT: Mark Jordan had a brief conversation with the Finger Lakes Construction Co. regarding the 60' x 25' proposed addition to the Ledyard Town Hall. The Town Board will need to bid out the project and request at least 3 bids.

RETIREE ISSUES: There are two Highway Department employees retiring at the end of 2015. The retirees have sick days and vacation days that have accrued over time that they have not used. There is no town policy regarding this issue, but the employees have been very dedicated to the Town of Ledyard and Mark Jordan would like to accommodate them in some way, perhaps with supplemental insurance. Councilman Jim Frisch said he would like to see the numbers of days for each retiree. Mark said he would get the information from Bookkeeper Dudley Hand.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: Assessor Heather Garner's computer crashed in June. She will be charging each of her towns a portion of the bill for repair. Town Clerk Rose Marie Belforti asked the Town Board members to sign a letter to have her name removed from the Town credit card that was erroneously put on the application as a guarantor for the Town of Ledyard.

PAY BILLS: On motion by Jim Frisch, seconded by Paul Hilliard, the bills on abstract #008, 147-165; A=\$11,685.31; B=\$0; DA=\$0; DB=\$137,473.04 were approved for payment.

VOTE: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

ADJOURN: On motion by Dan Green, seconded by Jim Frisch, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Marie Belforti
Ledyard Town Clerk