

Regular Meeting of the Ledyard Town Board
December 12, 2016
1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm. All Town Board members were present.

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

OTHERS: Kathryn Kinder, Inns of Aurora
Ted Kinder, Inns of Aurora
Sue Edinger, 391 Main Street, Aurora
Debbie Ross & Bill Tutton, 2108 Lake Road
Margaret Flowers, 2741 Fry Road
Judy Furness, 765 Poplar Ridge Road
Keith Bateman, C.C. Legislator

PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS

PRIVELEGE FROM THE FLOOR: Historian Judy Furness addressed the Town Board with a plan for the proposed new 24'x60' addition to the Ledyard Town Hall. She gave them a handout detailing space needs with a suggested floor plan based on the needs of the Historian and the Town Clerk. Cayuga County Legislator Keith Bateman discussed county taxes, roads, and fire department issues with the Town Board.

Ledyard resident Margaret Flowers referred to the telecommunication tower facility to be installed by Wells College. A letter from the Barclay Damon Tower company submitted to the Town Board states that Upstate Cellular Network d/b/a Verizon Wireless is the anchor tenant. The facility is proposed for the Wells College campus, 170 Main Street (Tax map #193.00-1-4 & 193.00-1-4). The project entails the construction of a 125 ft. monopole (with proposed 4 ft. lightning rod), as well as the placement by Verizon Wireless of three (3) antenna arrays with five (5) antennas per sector mounted at a centerline height of 120 ft. and two (2) dish antennas at the centerline height of 110 ft. Cabling will run along the interior of the monopole and connect the antennas to Verizon's 11.6 ft. by 16 ft. equipment platform with roof and handrails. The monopole, equipment platform and related equipment will be surrounded by a 40 ft. x 61 ft. fenced compound. Associated improvements include a twelve (12) ft. wide access drive connecting to the Wells College woods parking lot, a transformer, telco vault, meter board, utility services and necessary grading. The project requires site plan approval and a special use permit from the Village of Aurora Planning Board, a height variance from the Village Zoning Board of Appeals, and a certificate of appropriateness from the Community Preservation Panel. Margaret said there is concern within the Village about this project.

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Jim Frisch, seconded by John Binns to approve the Minutes for November, 2016. After discussion, Supervisor Mark Jordan asked the Town Clerk to revise the 2017

Budget Discussion contents. Councilman John Binns suggested taking out opinion. Councilor Jim Frisch said he would meet with Town Clerk Rose Marie Belforti. The motions to approve the Minutes were withdrawn. The Minutes were not approved.

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

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

AURORA INNS PROPOSAL: Sue Edinger and Ted Kinder of Aurora Inns came before the Town Board to present an updated version of their proposed facility to accommodate weddings and other events to be built on Sherwood Road in the Village of Aurora. They plan to move their business out of Aurora where they will have adequate parking and year round use. They also would like to be able to employ their seasonal employees year round. The design plan is for a one story structure shaped like a Native American longhouse that will hold 250 people and designed with environmental considerations for best land use and to preserve the views of Cayuga Lake. As of now they have cleared some of the land, leaving large trees where appropriate in the landscape. They have plans for a Spa as well, and trails that will connect the new site with the Village of Aurora. They had previously stated that they intended to build a laundry facility for a proposed Spa at the "Bush farm" across the road, but at this time that is no longer in the plan. They hope to work with the Village of Aurora regarding water and sewer needs. They will bring their plan before the Ledyard Planning Board in February, 2017.

Councilman John Binns mentioned that he would like Aurora Inns to consider offering discounts to Ledyard residents.

HEALTH INSURANCE: Supervisor Mark Jordan and the Highway employees met with Insurance Agent Bill Chamberlain regarding modification in Health Insurance policies that are more appropriate for younger employees and saves money for the town.

TOWN HALL ADDITION UPDATE: Supervisor Mark Jordan said he would be meeting with two architects about design plans for the Town Hall proposed addition.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Superintendent Stephan Arnold reported that he has signed the snow plow contract with Cayuga County. He mentioned that he would like to build a utility basket for the payload.

END OF YEAR BREAKFAST: The end of year breakfast is scheduled for December 20, 2016 at 9 AM.

PAY BILLS: On motion by Dan Green, seconded by John Binns, the bills on Abstract #012, #224-251; A=\$4,777.52; B=\$6.74; DA=\$0; DB=\$43,622.29 were approved for payment.

VOTE: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

ADJOURN: On motion by John Binns, seconded by Jim Frisch, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Marie Belforti, Town Clerk