

MINUTES – TOWN OF ALLEGANY PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016 7:00 PM SENIOR CENTER

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Hare Councilman Koebelin
Councilwoman Martin Councilman Hitchcock
Councilman Parker Hwy Spt. Moshier
Attorney Tuttle Town Clerk M. Peck

ALSO PRESENT: F. DeFiore, H. Larson, D. Sue, S. Guthrie, C. Horowitz, P. Conroy, W. Johnston, T. Stetz

ABSENT: Comptroller D. Piccioli

Salute to the Flag at 7:00 pm opened the meeting.

Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance II

Supervisor Hare opened the Public Hearing by asking for any comments or questions from the audience. Wendy Johnston – Cherry Valley Rd. – has concerns regarding animals & zoning. She would like something in the zoning ordinance to regulate “roaming” pets/animals.

Carol Horowitz – added that zoning actually deals with land use issues. Perhaps there should be an animal control ordinance.

Attorney Tuttle – advised that the Town cannot enforce matters between property owners.

Tom Stetz – Harriet St. – what can homeowners do? There are no rules to enforce loose animals? Why can't the Town put “nuisance animal” in the Zoning Ordinance II and give the Code Enforcement Officer something to work with?

Supervisor Hare – advised that this particular issue would have to be looked at separately. Also, written comments may be submitted to the Town Clerk’s Office by 4:00 pm Friday, Aug. 12th.

No further comments, therefore:

#120-MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Hare to close the public hearing. 2nd by Parker. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

Public hearing closed at 7:18 pm.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Town Clerk
Highway Dept.

Building & Zoning
NO RECREATION REPORT

Town Justice D. Porter – Report for July 2016 – amount of check: \$8545.50

Town Justice A. Spears – Report for July 2016 – amount of check: \$7545.00

#121-MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Martin to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2016 regular board meeting as written. 2nd by Hitchcock. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

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1. Zoning Board of Appeals – Notice of Action on Ryan & Nicole Williams request
2. Town of Allegany Zoning Board of Appeals minutes from the Jan. 4, 2016 meeting.
3. Letter of interest from John T. Williams for vacancy on Zoning Board of Appeals

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Catt. Co. Real Property Services – Senior Citizen Exemption change proposal

#122-MOTION TO MODIFY CURRENT SENIOR CITIZEN’S EXEMPTION FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX

Motion by Hare that the Town of Allegany follow suit with Cattaraugus County Real Property Services in modifying the Senior Citizen’s Exemption for real property taxes as follows:

\$18,500 or less	= 50% of assessed value exempt
\$18,501 but less than \$19,500	= 45% of assessed value exempt
\$19,500 but less than \$20,500	= 40% of assessed value exempt
\$20,500 but less than \$21,500	= 35% of assessed value exempt
\$21,500 but less than \$22,400	= 30% of assessed value exempt
\$22,400 but less than \$23,300	= 25% of assessed value exempt
\$23,300 but less than \$24,200	= 20% of assessed value exempt

And adding Option #2 to the above:

\$24,200 but less than \$25,100	= 15% of assessed value exempt
\$25,100 but less than \$26,000	= 10% of assessed value exempt. 2 nd by Parker.

Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

#123-MOTION TO PURCHASE FLAG POLE

Motion by Parker to purchase a flag pole for the Town Hall from Custom Flag Poles at a cost of \$1895.00 subject to the inclusion of a 6’ X 10’ flag. 2nd by Martin. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

#124-MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BACK UP GENERATOR

Motion by Hare to set a public hearing for Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall for the purchase of a back-up generator for sewer district #1. 2nd by Koebelin. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

#125-MOTION TO REFER “NUISANCE ANIMALS” ISSUE TO PLANNING BOARD

Motion by Hare to refer the issue of “nuisance animals” to the planning board for review. 2nd by Martin. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Flag Pole – Town Hall (Bob Parker)
2. Schedule Public Hearing for back-up generator purchase for sewer district #1.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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- Supervisor Hare advised that NYS is reporting that budget spending increases to be limited to 0.44% for 2017
- Councilman Hitchcock – advised that the cemetery John Deere tractor is being sent out for repairs. Looking for equipment to borrow or rent short term.

#126-MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON A PERSONNEL ISSUE

Motion by Hare to adjourn to executive session on a personnel issue. 2nd by Martin. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

This portion of meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm

#127-MOTION TO ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION

Motion by Hare to adjourn executive session and re-enter regular session. 2nd by Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

#128-MOTION TO ADJOURN ENTIRE MEETING

Motion by Hitchcock to adjourn entire meeting. 2nd by Parker. Koebelin-aye, Martin-aye, Hitchcock-aye, Parker-aye, Hare-aye. CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Peck, Town Clerk
8-10-16