

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA
MINUTES – SUPERVISOR’S MEETING – October 7, 2019
9:00 am Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley - Supervisor
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran, Frank Tomaino – Council Members
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk
Warren Bader – Town Attorney

CALL TO ORDER:

At 9:00 am Mr. Mosley called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

DISCUSSION:

Tamblin Ridge – Mr. Bader has a letter in draft form to send to all property owners on Tamblin Ridge. The letter in essence notifies the owners that the road must be fixed. Mr. Tomaino asked why are we addressing the road, they want to live off the grid there is a parking area for hiking in when the weather conditions warrant. Mr. Bader responded that for emergency purposes the Town must notify them the road is not adequate, there is an assumption that their property is protected. Mr. Bader and Mr. Mosley will go visit Tamblin Ridge, Mr. Bader would like to see the conditions before he finalizes the letter.

Center St. – Mr. Mussen came in and spoke with Mr. Mosley and Mr. Woolridge, hopefully this will help the ongoing issues on Center St. At the October 3rd meeting it was discussed that Mr. Woolridge is doing work out of the right of way to correct a drainage issues that was created by the Town because of the recent road improvements. The board asked Mr. Bader to create a temporary easement when extensive work out of the right of way is needed to correct a problem created by the Town.

Clerk – There is a need for a part time clerk that will cover all offices to help with clerical work and training in departments as needed, Mr. Mosley would like someone on a more permanent basis be trained on the Bookkeeper’s responsibilities. Members of the board asked if Ms. Butler will be acceptable, Mrs. Haynes and Ms. Butler have spoken that it would be a benefit to have an employee cover when needed, especially in the afternoon. Board members are in agreement to put in the budget additional monies to hire a part-time clerk.

Lighting Districts – Mr. Moran would like to address the lighting districts as they are being funded in the Town. Currently there are two districts that are charged on an ad valorem basis, this money is being co-mingled with the general fund. Mr. Moran is not happy with this situation as these property owners are being treated unfairly. Mr. Moran would like to dissolve the two districts and create a town wide district as all property owners do receive a benefit from the lights. Mr. Metzger believes it would be easier to dissolve the districts, then have a budget line for the cost of the lighting, no need to create another district. This will put the cost of lighting into the general fund. Mr. Bader will look into the procedure on how to properly dissolve the districts.

Campgrounds – Mr. Haynes CEO, has found that the Northshore Rod and Gun Club has campers stay on their property a few times a year. Mr. Haynes contacted Mr. Bader for his advice, Mr. Bader told Mr. Haynes that you can’t make an exception. They can apply for a temporary permit thru the County the same as the Town does for the tractor show. Mr. Colesante would like to reexamine the Land Development Law as it pertains to campgrounds. After the budget process Mr. Colesante would like to have meetings on Tuesday nights to update this section of the Land Development Law.

JCap Grant -

COUNCILMAN: **Metzger**

Introduced the following and moved its adoption:

The Town Board for the Town of Constantia authorizes Town Justice Stephen T. Pelon to apply and submit a Justice Court Assistance Program Grant. The grant will be for one LIFEPARK 1000 Automatic Electronic Defibrillator (AED). The cost of the AED with cabinet is \$2,515.45.

Seconded by Councilman: **Colesante**

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Kenneth Mosley	Voted	Yes
Richard Colesante	Voted	Yes
John Metzger	Voted	Yes
Tom Moran	Voted	Yes
Frank Tomaino	Voted	Yes

Budget Meeting – Next meeting on Thursday, October 10th at 6:30pm.

Court Decision – Mr. Bader found the decision on the court case brought by the Town of Irondequoit and Town of Brighton against the County of Monroe, Article 78 proceedings where the County will not allow the unpaid maintenance charges to be levied on the Town and County tax bill. The Supreme Court has reversed the original decision, as to say the County must allow these charges to be levied. Mr. Bader said this will be appealed, he will look for another ruling, he thinks sometime next year from the Court of Appeals.

ADJOURN:

At 11:32 am the meeting adjourned.