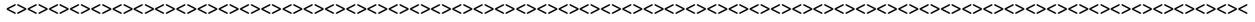


TOWN OF WESTERN  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 10, 2017

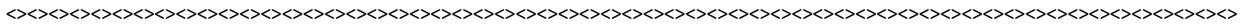


Present

Town Supervisor	Ryan Tebo	Town Clerk	Mary Centro
Councilman	Lawrence Mierek	Councilman	Diane Butler
Councilman	Leonard Charney	Councilman	Peter Donahue Sr.
Highway Superintendent	Thomas Smith, Jr.	Attorney	Charles Engelbrecht, Esq.

Visitors

Deb Tebo, Scott Bush



Supervisor Tebo called the Monday April 10, 2017 Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. It was determined that a quorum was present.

MINUTES:

**17-045 Motion:** A motion is in order and on file that the reading of the minutes of the March and April 03, 2017 Board Meetings be dispensed with.

Supervisor Tebo asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. There were none.

**17-046 Motion:** to accept the minutes of Board Meeting March 13, 2017 and April 03, 2017 Board Meetings.

Made by:	Leonard Charney	Second	Lawrence Mierek
Motion carried:	5 Ayes	0 Nays	
Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo			

WARRANT:

**17-047 Motion:** a motion is in order and on file that the reading of the itemized Warrant be dispensed with and the totals read only. Supervisor Tebo asked if there were any corrections to the Warrant.

The Warrant (bills) for the month of April 2017 were presented by the Town Clerk:

General Fund	Vouchers 140 – 167	\$	6,182.30
General Fund	Voucher 168/Bell Buy Out	\$	109,862.00
Highway Fund	Vouchers 169 – 194	\$	16,255.03
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>132,299.33</b>

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**17-048 Motion:** to approve the April 10, 2017 Warrant, subject to audit.

Made by:                      Lawrence Mierek                      Second                      Diane Butler

Motion carried:              5 Ayes                                      0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

1. Supervisor Tebo read the Supervisor's report for the period ending March 31, 2017, the ending March balance for all accounts is \$ 1,305,067.28. The report was filed with the Town Clerk.
2. Supervisor Tebo stated that a budget transfer needs to be done, so that Account A1010.4 is not over drawn.

**17-049 Motion:** To transfer \$ 100.00 from Account A1990.4 (Contingent Account) to Account A1010.4 (Legislative Board).

Made by:                      Peter Donahue, Sr.                      Second                      Diane Butler

Motion carried:              5 Ayes                                      0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**17-050 Motion:** to approve the March 31, 2017 Supervisor's Report, subject to audit.

Made by:                      Peter Donahue, Sr.                      Second                      Lawrence Mierek

Motion carried:              4 Ayes                                      0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

3. **Oliver Road Bridge:** H/S Smith stated the south end of the wing wall of the bridge need cement replacement work. One estimate from Delta Engineering for engineered plans is \$ 5,000 with an estimated repair cost of \$50,000 to \$60,000. Quotes from other companies are being sought for the repairs.
4. **Snow Storm:** Oneida County is seeking funds from the state to reimburse local town highway departments for expenses incurred during the recent large snow storm.
5. **Street Sweeping:** The sweeping will be done within the next few days and with an agreement with Oneida County the department is able to use Oneida County's street sweeping broom saving the Town \$3,000 in rental fees. The estimated cost of the Town purchasing a state of the art new broom could be close to \$100,000.
6. **New Plow Truck:** The new 2017 plow truck has arrived at the dealership and is being outfitted. Delivery to the Town should be in about 45 days.

**17-051 Motion:** to accept the Highway Superintendents report.

Made by:                      Leonard Charney                                      Second                      Diane Butler

Motion carried:              5 Ayes                                      0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**7. Cady Road Update:** T/A Engelbrecht stated that the Town has been served legal papers for court litigation from the Cady-Grocholski LLC, concerning the Town's continuing issues with the Cady Road and the current blockage of the road.

**17-052 Motion:** To authorize Town Attorney Engelbrecht to represent the Town and Highway Superintendent during the current Cady-Grocholski litigation.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Lawrence Mierek

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**8. Bell Property Buyout:** The closing on the Bell Property at 1273 Hillside Road was completed on March 31, 2017, at which time all monies owed were paid to the following:

James & Laura Bell \$ 73,048.83 --- First Source Credit Union \$ 34,951.17

Oneida County Clerk \$ 637.00 --- Allied American Abstract \$ 125.00

Charles Engelbrecht, Esq. \$ 1,100.00

**Total \$ 109,862.00**

Supervisor Tebo reported that he has boarded up the house and the electric should be shut off this week. Demolition will follow in a few weeks.

**17-053 Motion:** To approve the payments made in advance on the Town's buy out of the Bell property located at 1273 Hillside Road, Town of Western.

Made by: Peter Donahue, Sr. Second Diane Butler

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**9. Town Hall Roof:** Supervisor Tebo reported that during the recent heavy rain storm the Hall's roof was leaking into the upstairs, at a spot near a ceiling old air vent. C/M Charney will have someone look at the roof to determine why it is leaking.

**10. Trust and Agency Question:** Due to the question of what it is, the accountant says it has to do with payroll taxes due in one quarter and paid in the next.

**17-054 Motion:** to bring back to the table the discussion concerning property re-evaluation.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Peter Donahue, Sr.

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**11. Property Re-Evaluation:** Assessor Steve Hunter is looking into the costs involved for the possible re-evaluation of Town properties. A preliminary cost estimate of the project could be up to \$ 100,000.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**12. Resignation Planning Board:** Due to moving out of the area Rita Gamela has submitted her resignation from the Planning Board effective March 31, 2017.

**17-055 Motion:** To accept the resignation of Rita Gamela from the Town of Western Planning Board, effective March 31, 2017.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Diane Butler  
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays  
Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**13. Resignation ZBA:** Due to moving out of the area William Gamela has submitted his resignation as Chairman and member of the ZBA, effective March 31, 2017.

**17-056 Motion:** To accept the resignation of William Gamela as chairman and member of the Town of Western Zoning Board of Appeals, effective March 31, 2017.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Lawrence Mierek  
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays  
Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**14. Chairman ZBA:** Due to the resignation of the chairman of the ZBA, Mary Centro has volunteered to fill the position.

**17-057 Motion:** to appoint Mary Centro as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, effective April 01, 2017.

Made by: Peter Donahue, Sr. Second Lawrence Mierek  
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays  
Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**15. Potential Sub Division:** A development firm from Rome has purchased 27 acres of land off the Elmer Hill Road with plans of turning the acreage into a sub division of homes or condos. Ed Davis, member of the Town of Lee Planning Board, has serious concerns about the development of the land. He advised the Town needs to be pro-active making sure all rules and regulations are followed when the land is developed.

**16. Budget Training:** C/M Butler reported on the Budget Workshop that she attended recently. One issue she brought to the Board's attention that at the end of each month there should not be any deficient amounts in the budget lines/accounts. She also noted that the columns in the monthly Supervisor's report should be changed to reflect any budget variances. Accurate budget reporting is the responsibility of the whole Town Board.

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**17. Soccer League:** Supervisor Tebo has received a letter from Christopher Carrier, Jr. coach of the Copper City Soccer Club requesting the use of the ball field at Schallenberg/Town Park for the summer season of 2017. The team is comprised of local high school and college age women. The club is insured by the League and a copy of the insurance certificate will be provided.

**17-058 Motion:** To allow the Copper City Soccer Club to use the facilities and ball field at Schallenberg/Town Park for the 2017 Summer Season.

Made by: Leonard Charney Second Lawrence Mierek  
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays  
Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

**17-059 Motion:** The April 10, 2017 Town Board meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Made by: Lawrence Mierek Second Peter Donahue, Sr.  
Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays  
Ayes: Diane Butler, Leonard Charney, Peter Donahue Sr., Lawrence Mierek, Ryan Tebo

*Mary J. Centro  
Town Clerk*

***NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING  
MAY 08, 2017 at 7:00 pm.***