

The March 2019 Monthly meeting for the Town of Willing, County of Allegany and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 1431 State Route 19S, Wellsville N.Y. on the 11th day of March 2019 at 7pm

Present: Supervisor Wightman, Councilmen: Gay, Wiedemann, Fanton, Smith. Bookkeeper Glass, Code Officer Sturm, Assessor Glass, Highway Supt. Matteson, Justice Guiney and Clerk Buchholz

Absent: Security Officer

Guests: Allegany Co Real Property Director- Joseph Budinger
Resident: Alan Carlin

Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7pm, all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance

MINUTES: Councilman Gay moved to accept the Feb. 11th, 2019 minutes as presented. Councilman Smith, seconded. Board poled: Councilmen: Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Fanton-aye, Smith-aye. Supervisor Wightman-aye. 5 ayes 0 nays **Carried**

PERSONEL:

Court Clerk: Justice Guiney addressed the board stating that the Town Board appoints the Court Clerk but cannot terminate the Court Clerk without the Justice's approval. It is unclear if the Town needs to advertise for the position. Supervisor will check with civil service at the county level for clarification. (Money was budgeted for a Court Clerk)

OLD BUSINESS:

COURTROOM UPGRADE: Committee met at 6:30 on 3/11/19 with contractor. Door, Witness, Court clerk and Justice bench will be installed and done by the end of April.

VEAL BARNs & Ag Buildings: (Building Codes/Exemptions) *Mr. Budinger from Allegany Co. Real Property shared the following referencing Ag Exemptions:*

-#305 Ag Land Exemption: 7 acres either owned or leased, soil workup needed, proof of annual income \$10,000 or more.

-#483 Building Exemption: 5 acres and some sort of income (income amount not specified). Good for 10 years and must apply within the 1st year of construction.

All agreed that the wording of the laws and exemptions are ambiguous, and clarification is needed. Mr. Budinger will check for an answer on whether the acreage can be leased, or must the acreage be owned for ag exemption #483.

Code Enforcement Officer Mr. Sturm shared the following:

State law does not require a Building Permit for Agricultural structures. Although it would be advantageous to the Town if a permit, at no cost was issued so that the Assessor would at least have the dimensions of the buildings being constructed and to confirm that the structure was truly Agricultural. As far as Mr. Carlin's concern over protection of water sources from the waste product from the mentioned Veal Barnes, Mr. Sturm noted that the State does require a Permit for this. This permit is issued by the State, DEC. The Town has no authority over this. At this time the Town Board will clarify definitions on the Ag Exemptions upon information yet to be received from Mr. Budinger and will only require Permits on non-agricultural structures.

SEXUAL HARRASSMENT TRAINING: Our Ins. Carrier will be holding training sessions in March & April. Councilman Gay is willing to take training and will hold a training session for Town Employee's.

BOARD OF REVIEW: Councilman Wiedemann moved to appoint Mr. Winston Truax to the Board of Review, filling the vacancy of Mr. John Lewis. Councilman Smith seconded. Board was poled: Councilmen: Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Smith-aye, Fanton-aye and Supervisor Wightman-aye 5 ayes 0 nays **CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS:

Salt & Sand Storage: Supervisor discussed the Consolidated Grand Funding Application thru D.E.C. It is a 50% grant. Board discussed funding possibilities and that the Towns of Almond, Granger and Mansfield have received

funding already for Salt and Sand Storage buildings. Supervisor Wightman moved to continue to pursue possible funding thru this grant, Councilman Fanton seconded. Board was poled: Councilmen: Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Fanton-aye, Smith-aye and Supervisor Wightman-aye 5 ayes 0 nays **CARRIED**. Supervisor will make necessary contacts to move forward. (Soil & Water)

Highway Supt. Matteson will reach out to Highway Supt. in Almond as to procedure as well. (grant due in May, grants awarded in July, and money received in December)

WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT-Grant: directed by Brenda Szabo, At this time money has been donated from local organizations to do a study as to the possibility of expanding opportunity's and activities along the Genesee River. The Town of Willing's portion of the WAG trail would be included. (ideas would be camping, Zip Lines, Ropes Course etc.) Board agreed to have Supervisor monitor progress.

PRESENTATION OF CORRESPONDENCE TO BOARD:

From	Subject
Charter Communication	Receipt of annual franchise check
Sen. Catherine Young	Communication in regard to Highway Brine Permit
Board of Elections	Only one candidate for 2 councilman positions. Supervisor will communicate with individual that should interest.
Accord	Community Forum on Homeless and Housing
NYS Board Electric	8-point wind forum
DISTRICT III	Water management information

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None to report

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Cemetery: verbal report, no activity except that the Deed for the Hallsport Union Cemetery will be sent to the Town soon.

Code Enforcement: Verbal report: CEO to follow up on properties located at: 1966 State Route 19S, 744 State Route 19S, and 2278 Beech Hill. Also, will be meeting with owners of Mama's BBQ to go over new construction plans and issue permit. Will have Annual Report completed by April 1st.

Dog Control Report: Accepted as Presented

Police Report: Both Jan & Feb. 2019 reports presented. Accepted as presented

Justice Report: Accepted as Presented

Fire Liaison Report: Accepted as Presented. Board discussed the purchase of the new truck.

Clerks Report: Accepted as presented

Records Access Report: Accepted as presented

Historians Report and Quiz: Accepted as presented

Highway Report: Accepted as presented

Financial Report: Accepted as presented

BILLS: Councilman Fanton moved to pay the General Fund Bills (vouchers #48 thru #64) in the amount of \$30,127.82 and the Highway Fund Bills (vouchers #24 thru #34) in the amount of \$14,315.59. Councilman Smith seconded. Board poled: Councilmen: Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Fanton-aye, Smith-aye and Supervisor Wightman-aye. 5 ayes 0 nays **CARRIED**

Councilman Smith moved to adjourn the March monthly board meeting, councilman Gay seconded and said meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm

Respectfully:
Deborah J Buchholz
Town of Willing Clerk
3/11/2019