

The July Monthly Board Meeting for the Town of Willing, County of Allegany and State of New York was held at the Town of Willing Hall, located at 1431 State Route 19, Wellsville NY on July 12th, 2021.

Present: Supervisor Wightman, Councilmen Gay, Wiedemann, Fanton and Ellison. Highway Supt. Matteson, Security Officer Howe, CEO Officer Sturm, Planning Board Member Dale Beebee, Clerk Buchholz.

Absent: Bookkeeper Glass

Guests: Residents from Fords Brook Road: Peg Peet, Linda Gridley, Joyce, and Bill Loughlin

Resident June Eaton from the Hallsport Road.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Wightman at 7pm, all rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Councilman Gay moved to accept the Public Hearing Minutes and Regular Monthly Board Meeting minutes from June 14th as presented. Councilman Fanton seconded. **VOTE:** Councilmen: Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Fanton-aye, Ellison-aye, and Supervisor Wightman -aye 5 ayes 0 nays

Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

LWRP: (Waterfront project) reminder of Public Open House here on 7/13 4-5:30pm

ARPA: (State & Local recovery Funds) Supervisor has submitted all necessary documentation.

Total to receive \$117,517.00 ½ in 2021 ½ in 2022. Strict guidelines as to spending.

AUDIT UPDATE: State Auditor and Supervisor to meet with Supervisor Wightman 7/14 for exit review.

HIGHWAY SUPT. TRUCK: no further update

CANNABIS OPT-OUT: Local Law #4 of 2021: Public Hearing Scheduled for August. 9th at 6:30 Clerk to post in Olean Paper.

GUESTS:

Supervisor recognized June Eaton:

-she shared frustration with numerous cats in neighborhood. Neighbor is feeding, they are in the Eaton's yard, destroying plants, and it's a constant clean-up. Mrs. Eaton has contacted several agencies and received no help. The board discussed and Supervisor Wightman will write a letter to the Allegany County SPCA to investigate this situation and get back to Mrs. Eaton. If no results from the SPCA our Code Officer might be able to help, regulations referencing "Nuisance issue."

Supervisor Wightman then recognized the residents from the Fords Brook Area:

- Mrs. Peet and others shared that approximately 1 ½ mile of the Fords Brook Road is becoming too dangerous to drive and live on. Due to condition of road (cracking, holes in the middle and large chunks loosening along edges, caused by more traffic to include logging trucks, semi-trucks, cars, and Amish buggies) Also, the high rate of speed of vehicles is a concern. It has been sometime since anything other than patching has been done to their road. They asked when

will something be done? (Pave or OIL and Stone). Board and Highway Supt. Matteson shared that due to cost and rotation schedule of roads to be worked on he could not give a definite date. He will have the crew work on the shoulders and do more patching this summer. Board will work on placing a vehicle counter on Fords Brook and will ask our patrolmen to patrol that area more often for now. Supt. Matteson to put together a 5-year road repair schedule.

NEW BUSINESS:

McCURDY ROAD PIPE: Needs to be replaced at the cost of \$46,000.00. Supt. can run thru CHIPS program, as emergency repair.

Resolution #12 of 2021: Councilman Fanton moved to borrow money from other Highway Accounts for purchase of pipe and labor for McCurdy Project until CHIPS money comes. Councilman Gay seconded. **VOTE:** Councilmen Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Fanton-aye, Ellison-aye. Supervisor Wightman-aye
5 ayes 0 nays **CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDANCE TO BOARD:

-Penske Law Group 9/28 or 9/29 Seminar on legalize Marijuana and employment

COMMETTIE REPORTS:

PLANNING BOARD: Dale Beebee reported:

- Public Hearing-IDA. Concerns about Solar projects getting reassigned, pilots renegotiated and who pays. Towns and County often left in the dark, who is responsible or liable for cost of being reassigned?

-Last Planning board meeting was on 6/14, County will do printing of survey, hope to have out by the end of July. Supervisor Wightman to write introductory letter to be included in mailing.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FINANCIAL REPORT: None for July

CLERK REPORT: Accepted as presented

Discussed maintenance issue and need for a 24/7 person. Board members will search for a person, pay to be \$15.00 hr. Currently persons to call if issues arise are Supervisor, Clerk and Councilman Wiedemann in that order.

Councilman Gay checked on Armstrong Communications regarding the Judges dedicated line issue. It will be at least a year before lines are thru this area.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Accepted as presented Craig Martin has put in his letter of resignation. Effective date 8/18/2021. Highway Supt. Matteson has 2 applicants he will check on at this time.

CEMETERY REPORT: Accepted as presented

CODE OFFICER REPORT: Verbal report accepted as presented.

ASSESSOR REPORT: None

DOG CONTROL REPORT: None

POLICE REPORT: Accepted as presented Asked officers to patrol Fords Brook area more often.

JUSTICE REPORT: Accepted as presented

RECORDS ACCESS REPORT: Accepted as presented

HISTORIANS REPORT: Accepted as presented

PAY MONTHLY BILLS: Councilman Fanton moved to pay the General Fund Bills (vouchers #122 thru #143) in the amount of \$26,198.44 and the Highway Fund bills (vouchers #76-388) in the amount of \$20,933.25. Councilman Gay seconded. **VOTE:** Councilmen Gay-aye, Wiedemann-aye, Fanton-aye, Ellison-aye. Supervisor Wightman-aye 5 ayes 0 nays **CARRIED.**

Councilman Ellison: shared verbally with the board that he will be resigning his position of Councilman effective the end of September. He and family will be moving to West Virginia. Letter of resignation to follow.

Councilman Fanton moved to adjourn the July 2021 Board meeting, Councilman Ellison seconded and said meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted:
Deborah J Buchholz
Town of Willing Clerk
7/12/2021