

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Wellsville, County of Allegany and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 156 N Main Street on the 10th day of April 2019.

PRESENT: Shad Alsworth, Supervisor
Michael Miller, Council Member
Patricia Graves, Council Member
Jesse Case, Council Member
Dean Arnold, Highway Superintendent
Mike Finn, Attorney

ABSENT: William Fish, Council Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Potter; Spectator, Gloria Hamlin, William Hamlin, Thomas English

Alsworth opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the Flag.

MINUTES: Accepted as presented

COMMUNITY COMMENT:

2179 Standards Road:

Gloria Hamlin: Mrs. Hamlin and her husband, William Hamlin were present to discuss property at 2179 Standards Road in the Town of Wellsville. Mrs. Hamlin states she lives on the corner of State Route 19 (Standards Road) and Hanover Hill, the property at 2179 Standards Road is across the road to them it has broken down cars, debris, clutter, it is a real eye sore. Mrs. Hamlin has informed Robert Marsh, Code Enforcement Officer and he suggested that she come to a board meeting to let the board know of the conditions of the property. She told Mr. Marsh that she knows that these people are “poor”, but you don’t have to live a “hog”, her concern is that we will see rodents. She states since her first report to the Code Enforcement Officer the residents have animals in the backyard, the stench from the urine/crap is enough to make you puke, the lawn is such a mess with debris all over, lack of maintenance, she states that she can’t imagine what the trailer located down in back of the house is like as you can’t see it from the road. There has been little, if any, maintenance done on the home. The roof is bad, you can see the holes and sections of the porch have fallen off.

She would like to know is the home is fit to live in, does it have the correct plumbing, is it a good clean environment (and I don’t mean people) for the kids to be in and should this aging couple even be living there?

As a concerned citizen, there are (2) two children (a boy and a girl) staying there. We see Roger McCarthy leave with them each morning and bring the back in the afternoon.

If senior citizens cannot care for their property, or themselves, then someone needs to investigate and help them. This family has grown children and it’s a shame their parents live like this!

I’m not blind, see houses/homes all through our county. But this is where I live. The view from our home is outrageous! We should have rights also!

Discussion:

Alsworth states that he has discussed the issue with Mr. Marsh, the law states that he cannot disclose what he has done, it has not been ignored we are doing all that we can. We take all complaints seriously, Alsworth will keep in touch with the Code Enforcement Officer to make sure all is being done.

Graves states that if you are concerned about the children, there is a hot line that you can call.

710 pm: Bill Fish entered meeting

Wightman Road:

Mr. English was present to ask if there was something that could be done about the speeding on Wightman Road?

Alsworth stated that NYSDOT needs to do a traffic survey and you should get a petition signed from the residents on Wightman Road requesting a posted speed limit. Alsworth suggested that he contact the Highway Superintendent to get the wording for the petition.

English stated that he will be back next month to hand in the petition.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Accepted as presented

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: Accepted as presented

HIGHWAY:

Copier: Arnold states that his copier at the highway building is over 15 years old and he will be in need of one very soon.

AIRPORT:

Lights: Graves stated that Will Shutt has been looking into switching the lighting inside the hangars, office areas and SRE building over to LED lighting. Shutt has gotten a quote on the materials, labor and rebate payback from National Grid. The Airport Committee will discuss this at the next meeting on April 9, 2019, Shutt feels this will be a cost saving for the Town of Wellsville.

BUDGET TRANSFER:*Sinclair Water District:*

A motion was made by Case to transfer \$3,068.52 from NY-01-0706-0030 to SW1-8310.400 to pay for repairs in that district, seconded by Miller/carried.

Park:

A motion was made by Graves to transfer \$46,636.61 from NY01-0706-0036 Park Grant to A7110.475 2018 Park Renovations, seconded by Fish/carried.

FIRE PROTECTION POLICY:

Motion: A motion was made by Alsworth to bring the Fire Protection Policy back on the table, seconded by Miller/carried

Discussion: Alsworth stated that he is not ready to sign the agreement, he still has some question and would like to get those answered first.

Motion: A motion was made by Alsworth to table the Fire Protection Policy until next regular board meeting May 8, 2019, seconded by Miller/carried

SPCA AGREEMENT:

The SPCA Serving Allegany County agreement was received on April 8, 2019 and a copy was given a copy of the agreement.

Motion: A motion was made by Graves to bring the SPCA Agreement onto the table, seconded by Miller/carried.

Discussion: The Board would like to know why we need a contract with the SPCA, Jesse Case, Dog Control Liaison will contact Cathy Faulkner, Dog Control Officer to get her views about the contract.

SUPERVISOR/COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Insurance Tour: Arnold reports that he went around the town offices with the NYMIR Insurance agent to inspect all the buildings that the Town of Wellsville occupies, he said it went very well.

Southern Tier West Conference: A motion was made by Alsworth to allow any town member to attend the annual Southern Tier West Conference in Houghton, NY in May 2019, seconded by Miller/carried.

AUDIT/PAYMENT OF BILLS –

Motion: A motion was made by Case to accept and pay Abstract #04 of 2019, seconded by Alsworth/carried

A – General Fund – Vouchers 69-97, \$15,610.59

B – Outside Village – Vouchers 95-96, \$547.35

DA – Highway Town wide – Vouchers 68, 70-86, \$9,592.14

DB – Highway Outside – Vouchers 195-225, \$85,290.08

EA – Airport – Vouchers 50-65, \$35,688.06

SL – Hillcrest Lighting District – Voucher 7 \$14.61

SS2- - Sinclair Sewer District – Voucher 8, \$108.31

SW1 – Sinclair Water District – Voucher 9, \$5,068.52

SW9 – Dyke Water District – Voucher 10, \$4,099.60

Total: \$56,166.95

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: A motion was made by Alsworth to adjourn into executive session to discuss a real property issue, seconded by Graves/carried.

REGULAR SESSION:

Motion: A motion was made by Graves to return to regular session at 8:00pm, seconded by Fish/carried.

PROPERTY:

Motion: A motion was made by Graves for the Supervisor to contact Allegany County to purchase property on Madison Street, seconded by Fish/carried

ADJOURN: Case/Miller/carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia LaChance
Town Clerk