

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Wellsville, County of Allegany and the State of New York was held at the Wellsville Municipal Airport 2600 Tarantine Blvd on the 10th day of March 2021.

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

ABSENT: Bill Fish-Council Member, Michael Finn-Town Attorney, Willis Shutt-Airport

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Martelle, Kathrine Ross, Olean Times Herald, Chris Potter, Spectator, WFD Chief Barney Dillie, Steven Havey- District 4 Legislator and Mike Roeske- Wellsville Village Rep.

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

MINUTES: A few corrections were noted- Mike Miller was listed as present and absent- he was present, others present included: Brian Brandes, Deb Brandes and Darwin Fanton. Under Planning

Board- a change was needed to: A motion was made to place Brian Brandes to planning board in full capacity. A motion was made to accept the minutes as amended by Case, seconded by Miller. Carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENT: None

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Accepted as presented.
- It was noted that Supervisor Alsworth had asked the bookkeeper to provide all council members a copy of the Supervisor's breakdown of all checking account balances.
- Supervisor Alsworth and Dean Arnold will meet to discuss the new building and clarify accounts as there were some transfers not completed as of yet. Expenses and remaining funds will be reviewed to be sure everything is up to date.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- Graves inquired to Dean Arnold regarding the Highway report- are we still able to utilize the truck that was involved in the accident. Mr. Arnold stated that yes the damages did not impact utilization of the truck. The insurance claim was filed, funds have been received and the truck is set to go in for repairs in a couple months after the winter weather has passed.
- It was noted that the Airport had their official meeting last night.
- All reports were accepted as presented.

WELLSVILLE FIRE DEPT:

- Mr. Dille had requested to be put on the Agenda regarding the Town's Emergency

Management Plan and the Wellsville Fire Departments role and responsibilities. A discussion followed regarding the status of the Town's Emergency Management Plan. Supervisor Alsworth stated we are now in the middle of completing revisions required by state mandates and the plan is currently over 1,000 pages. Mr. Dille stated he is looking for an electronic copy of the plan. Supervisor Alsworth stated the plan is not currently available in electronic format. The original plan was approved 10+ years ago by the late Mr. Martell. Approximately 2 years ago the town and emergency management coordinator began looking at it and making updates that were needed. Once the current mandates have been met the town will share the document. The town is looking to work together with all entities moving forward and anticipates creating an Emergency Services Council that will meet once a quarter to review any changes/updates needed.

SEXUAL HARRASSMENT POLICY: The policy was updated last December. Main changes were to the Town office address. Annually this policy needs to be approved, then all employees must sign that they have received a copy and attend training. Discussion: Councilman Miller stated that on page 13 it should read: Patty Graves, Deputy Supervisor instead of just Councilman. No other changes were noted. A motion to approve with amendment was made by Miller, seconded by Case. Carried.

PARK: Mr. Arnold stated he has been getting some inquiries as to when the park will open. The plan is to open the park back up on May 1st. CDC guidelines will still need to be followed. The park will be disinfected daily the same as last summer when it was open. The water fountains will remain closed. The schools are requesting to utilize the fields and will maintain them until the park opens.

248: This is a document presented each year showing the projects anticipated to be completed during the year. A motion to approve was made by Miller, seconded by Case. Carried.

Inter-Municipal Mutual Aid Agreement- This is also an annual agreement allowing the Town's/County to work together as needed on projects. This needs voted on via resolution. A note was made that the agreement needed to be edited to have Wellsville listed as the Town. A motion was made by Case, seconded by Alsworth to approve the agreement as amended. Roll call:

Alsworth- Aye
Case – Aye
Miller- Aye
Graves – Aye
Fish- absent

Dog Shelter Agreements: The annual dog shelter agreements between the Town of Wellsville and Alma, Willing, Andover and Independence need to be approved. It was noted the billing should be updated to have the correct date sent out and to have the term of the agreement on the invoice: January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. No other edits were noted. A motion to sign the agreements and send the invoices with corrections noted was made by Case, seconded by Miller. Carried.

Elm Valley Cemetery Mowing Agreement: This is an annual agreement as well. A motion was made by Miller, seconded by Case. Discussion- Has anyone spoken to the contractor this year? Mr. Arnold said he would reach out to ensure she is still interested in doing the mowing. A motion was made to table the agreement until next month after Mr. Arnold has had an opportunity to speak with her. Motion made by Case, Seconded by Miller. Carried.

COMMITTEE:

- Sinclair Water District- No report
- Community Development- No report
- Solar Committee- Discussion postponed till next month by Case as things had not been finalized.

Supervisor/Councilman Reports:

Graves: No report.

Miller:

- The planning board has received a resignation from Mr. Andrew Harris via email. Mr. Miller will forward that onto the Town Clerk. Supervisor Alsworth noted that Mr. Harris has 30 days to change his mind if he should choose to do so. The planning board has requested to have a joint meeting with the Village. Mr. Ryan Gough has attended a meeting and expressed interest in joining. A motion was made to appoint Mr. Gough to the planning board by Alsworth, seconded by Case. Carried.
- Airport- Mr. Miller inquired if there was any movement on the phone systems. Supervisor Alsworth stated that there has not been any change. Mr. Miller handed out information on Spyglass. They are a company that looks at what you are currently spending and determines if you can save money by switching to something else. They do not get paid unless you save money. They get a percentage of the savings as their fees.
- Mr. Miller also stated that the small shed on the hill had been sold- Tower property. Where do the funds from that sale go? Supervisor Alsworth stated the funds go into the General account.
- The tower and receiver at the airport are no longer needed. The FAA has approached the airport wanting to purchase the equipment. Looking for permission to sell the receiver and tower. A motion to approve the sale was made by Case, seconded by Alsworth. Carried.

Case: No report

Alsworth: No report

AUDIT/PAYMENT OF BILLS –

Motion: A motion was made by Miller to accept and pay the bills, seconded by Case / Carried

ADJOURN: Case / Miller/ Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Graves

Deputy Town Supervisor