

**WALES TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes of May 12th, 2015**

The 5<sup>TH</sup> meeting of the Wales Town Board was held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015 at the Wales Community Center, 12345 Big Tree Road, Wales Center, New York.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rickey Venditti at 7:00 pm EST

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Supervisor Rickey Venditti  
Councilman Michael Simon  
Councilwoman Jude Hartrich  
Councilman Gerald Klinck  
Absent: Councilman Donald Butcher

Also present: Attorney Ronald Bennett, CRA Engineering, and  
(17) Residents whose names are on file.

**INVOCATION:**

led by Councilman Donald Butcher

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

led by Councilman Gerald Klinck

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilman Donald Butcher, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the agenda as presented. **CARRIED**

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilman Donald Butcher, second by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, approving the Town Clerk's minutes of April 14, 2015 and Public Hearing on April 28<sup>th</sup> as presented. **CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Evie Kleinberg Old Big Tree Rd In favor of the moratorium, spoke at the public hearing. in full support of this local law to establish a moratorium on the storage and spreading of sewage sludge within the Town of Wales

Doug Sernoffsky Centerline Rd Wondering about the Memorial Day events? Supervisor Rickey Venditti said he will be discussed later in the meeting.

Carol Keem Big Tree Rd Is glad the town is doing this moratorium. Has a family farm in Wales, and doesn't want to see any of that "sludge" near her property.

Joe Barbarits Marilla sludge committee. Very much in favor of this moratorium, will give the town plenty of time to research more.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1.Resolution to approve Local Law Intro 1-2015 to establish a moratorium on the storage and spreading of sewage sludge within the Town of Wales.**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A MORATORIUM**

WHEREAS, Local Law Intro. No. 1-2015 has been introduced to the Town Board to establish a moratorium on the storage and spreading of sewage sludge within the Town of Wales, and WHEREAS, on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, the Town Board conducted a public hearing regarding the proposed moratorium, and

WHEREAS, the Town finds it is both necessary and beneficial for the moratorium, during which time the Town will consider legislation in regard to the spreading of sewage sludge, NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby approve Local Law Intro. No. 1-2015 establishing a moratorium on the storage and spreading of sewage sludge within the Town of Wales, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Town Clerk is hereby directed to file a copy of the Local Law with the New York Secretary of State.

**ROLL CALL:** Supervisor Rickey Venditti Aye  
Councilman Michael Simon Aye  
Councilwoman Jude Hartrich Aye  
Councilman Gerald Klinck Aye  
Councilman Donald Butcher Aye

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the moratorium on the storage and spreading of sewage sludge within the town of Wales. **CARRIED**

**2.Special Use Permit amendment request received from Promised Land Inc.**

Attorney Ronald Bennett said “Zoning is inclusive,” “That means that a permitted use or special use must be listed. If it’s not listed, it’s not permitted.” The Planning Board met and also had the same recommendation about the special use permit.

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, Denying the Special Use Permit with the recommendation of the Planning Board, that no similar use is found in the town code. **CARRIED**

**3.Special Use Permit request received from Verizon for construction of a cell tower.**

Attorney Ronald Bennett said the plans were also returned to Verizon representatives so that they could address the board’s concerns, but he hasn’t heard from them since a phone conversation with them.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1.Approval of Town of Wales 2014 Department Head fiscal record audit.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilman Donald Butcher, second by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, approving the Town of Wales Department head fiscal record audit.

**CARRIED**

**2.Highway Superintendent request for funds to complete paving on Merlau Road.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the transfer of funds from general account to the Highway account for \$50,000. The Bookkeeper will working with the town attorney on the paperwork needed for the transfer of funds.

**CARRIED**

**3.Highway Superintendent request to purchase new computer.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the purchase of a new computer at a price of \$738.31 Aurora Consulting will be purchasing the computer off state bid.

**CARRIED**

**4.Building Inspector request for renewal of annual Williamson Law Book Co. software contract.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the renewal of the Williamson Law Book software at a cost of \$544.50. This is a budget item.

**CARRIED**

**5.Highway Superintendent request for the purchase of new replacement flags and accessories**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the purchase of new flags from Ace Flag at a cost of \$1,384.75

**CARRIED**

**6.Wales Cemetery Association request for funds for maintainance of the Wales Hollow Cemetery.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Supervisor Rickey Venditti, second by Councilman Gerald Klinck approving the donation of \$1,000 to support the Wales Hollow Cemetery. Attorney Ronald Bennett will be writing up an agreement, between the Wales Hollow Assoc. and the Town of Wales. The Wales Hollow Assoc. will be giving the town a report at the end of the year, to see how the funds were used.

**CARRIED**

**7.Iroquois High School Parent Association request for donation in support of their Post Prom Party.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Supervisor Rickey Venditti, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving a \$100.00 donation in support of the post prom party.

**CARRIED**

**8.Request received from Kodiak Jacks’s women’s softball team the use the park.**

MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_ by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the Kodiak Jack’s women’s softball team to use the town park field, with the insurance forms completed.

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Supervisor Venditti noted that Grievance Day will be on May 26th from 2-4pm and 7-9pm and the Town workshop meeting will be in South Wales that night.

Insurance is coming due for renewal, Gunner Insurance is working on 3 different bids The Erie County Environment and Planning community block grant heard that will be receiving funds for park improvements, will work with Highway Superintendent on that project.

The Erie County Highway called to let us know they will be working on East Creek and Warner Hill Rd the next few days, School buses and emergency vehicles will be allowed through.

**REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Town Attorney: Rec'd & filed  
Bldg. Inspector: Rec'd & filed  
Highway Dept.: Rec'd & filed.  
Town Clerk : Rec'd & filed

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

Historian Dee Zeigel is working on the plans for the Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 25, 2015 line-up at 11:30am on Hunters Creek Road, also after the parade a Memorial Day service will be at Veterans Park. Historian Dee Zeigel is working with the Historical Society on plans for the 200<sup>th</sup> town celebration

Councilwoman Jude Hartrich has a tentative meeting with Steve Whitney on the Water Study for June 15, at 7pm

**REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:**

*Historical Society: Meeting next Tuesday May 19th*  
*South Wales Fire Co.: Chicken BBQ May 17 noon-sold out \$10.00*  
*Wales Center Fire Co.: Chicken BBQ Memorial Day - May 25, 2015*

**SECOND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Michael Lina Schang Rd Would like to request a meeting with the planning board, Town Attorney said the board has already acted upon it, and has denied the Special use Permit, with the recommendations of the planning board. Mr Lina stated that we were never contacted by the planning board.

Pam Lina Schang Rd is very disappointed in the process which led to the denial of their permit. She and her husband, Mike Lina wanted to be contacted by the Planning Board to be available for questions and discussion. That being said, Pam Lina's feels that their business presence is not respected by the Town Board Supervisor Ricky Venditti said that the Town Board very much respects the Lina's as business owners, in light of the fact that they were granted an amendment to their Special Use Permit in the past.

**REVIEW AND ACTION ON SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilman Don Butcher, second by Councilman Gerald Klinck, approving the Supervisor's reports for April, 2015 as presented with the transfer on page 2. **CARRIED**

**REVIEW AND ACTION ON TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:**

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, second Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the Town Clerk's monthly report for April, 2015 as presented. **CARRIED**

**GENERAL FUND BILLS:**

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilman Michael Simon, second by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, approving payment of the 2015 General Fund Abstract # 004, voucher #0143-0176 total of \$27,715.68 **CARRIED**

**HIGHWAY FUND BILLS:**

**MOTION # \_\_\_\_\_** by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilwoman Jude Hartrich, approving payment of the 2015 Highway Abstract # 004, voucher #0149-00167 total amount \$26,789.11 **CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm  
IN MEMORY OF: Robert Rutkowski, Odin Lucas and Robert Rosten  
Respectfully submitted,  
Melinda Eaton, Wales Town Clerk

