

WALES TOWN BOARD MEETING

Minutes of March 13th, 2018

The 3th meeting of the Wales Town Board was held on the 13th day of March, 2018 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 Donald Butcher absent
Councilman Gerald Klinck
Councilman Dan Driver
Councilman Michael Simon

Also present: Attorney Ron Bennett (3) residents
whose names are on file. Reporter Pat McDonnell

INVOCATION:

led by Councilman Donald Butcher

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

led by Councilman Daniel Driver

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the agenda as presented. **CARRIED**

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Dan Driver, approving the January and February 2018 minutes as presented. **CARRIED**

COMMUNICATION SENATOR GALLIVAN'S OFFICE

Karen Howard representative from Senator Gallivan's Office. Spoke on the subject of the Electronic Recycling event held at Parkdale School, East Aurora. Although very successful, the Senator requested that logistical aspects need to be addressed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

NONE.

OLD BUSINESS:

DELAWARE RIVER SOLAR PROPOSED PROJECT IN THE TOWN OF WALES.

Supervisor Rickey Venditti received email from Delaware River 3/9/18, packet of information including the Environmental Impact Statement. Requested the Town Attorney and Town Engineer to review. Also requested that the proper people be notified by the Building Inspector.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE TOWN OF WALES AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE PROPOSED DELAWARE RIVER SOLAR PROJECT.

RESOLUTION FOR LEAD AGENCY

WHEREAS, Delaware River Solar LLC has submitted an application for a Special Use Permit for a nine acre principal use solar energy use system for property located at 11421 Big Tree Road in the Town of Wales, and

WHEREAS, the proposed project requires a full environmental assessment form being a Type One project, and

WHEREAS, the Town has identified the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, State Historic Preservation Office, Erie County Department of Environment and Planning, Army Corps of Engineers, and New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets as having a possible interest in the project, and

WHEREAS, the Town elects to act as Lead Agency of the proposed project as provided by the New York Environmental Conservation Law,

NOW, TEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the Town of Wales does hereby elect to be Lead Agency for the proposed project of a principal use solar energy use system, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agencies of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, State Historic Preservation Office, Erie County Department of Environment and Planning, Army Corps of Engineers, and New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets

may have an interest in the proposed project requiring notice to the agencies of the determination by the Town to be lead agency, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby direct the Town Attorney to submit letters to the named three agencies together with a copy of the application to the Town for its permit.

Duly adopted this 13th day of March, 2018.

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the town of Wales as lead agency, fore the Delaware River Solar project.

CARRIED

2. REQUEST FROM TOWN OF WALES KIWANIS CLUB TO USE TOWN FACILITIES FOR THEIR ANNUAL COMMUNITY NIGHT-OUT

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the use of the Town Park for the annual NIGHT OUT June 27th, by the Wales Kiwanis Club

CARRIED

3 REQUEST FROM TOWN OF WALES KIWANIS CLUB FOR DONATION FOR THEIR ANNUAL COMMUNITY NIGHT-OUT

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving the Kiwanis Club donation of \$625.00, for the music.

CARRIED

4) TOWN OF WALES KIWANIS CLUB REQUEST TO USE TOWN FACILITIES FOR THEIR ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Daniel Driver approving the use of the Town Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 31st At 11:00am, sponsored by the Wales Kiwanis Club.

CARRIED

5) REQUEST RECEIVED FROM WALES CENTER HOTEL WOMENS SOFTBALL LEAGUE TO USE TOWN FACILITIES FOR THEIR 2017 SEASON

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck and second by Councilman Donald Butcher approving the use of the Town Park from mid-April -August for the women's softball league, they are suppling the town insurance or release of waivers of liability.

6) REQUEST TO APPROVE TOWN PARK PORT-A-LET CONTRACT

Highway Superintendent Michael Zywar received 2 bids. Ball, \$50 Regular, \$100 handicap accessible. He recommended Royal Flush because he has not received any Complaints. They are always available when he needs to contact them. Also they are a local business out of Java, NY.

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck and second by Councilman Donald Butcher approving Royal Flush bid for 1 Handicap Accessible Unit for \$100, 1 Regular Unit for \$65.00

CARRIED

7) APPOINTMENT OF REPLACEMENT TOWN CONSTABLE/COURT SECURITY OFFICER.

Supervisor Ricky Venditti stated that since George Avery retired from Constable/Court Security that leaves a vacancy to be filled. Councilman Michael Simon has recommend Scott Zelli, who has been a full-time Court Officer for seven (7) years. Currently Judge Burns Courtroom Officer. He has worked with Paul Solomon.

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, to appoint our second Town Constable/Court Security Officer, Ed Scott Zelli.

CARRIED

8) BUILDING INSPECTOR/CEO REQUEST TO EXPEND FUNDS TO PURCHASE NEW FILE CABINET

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated that the file cabinet from Quill Office Products under \$1,000.00, Ellen Bapst, Clerk need 1 quote.

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Michael Simon, second by Councilman Daniel Driver Approving the purchase of legal file cabinet with Quill office products not to exceed \$1000.

CARRIED

9) BOOKEEPER REQUEST TO FUNDS TO PURCHASE NEW LAPTOP

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated this request is for the Bookkeeper, Rae Hoxsie can work Remotely. She has obtained three quotes from Nick Fodero, IT person. Newegg 749.00 came in lower than the State bid for a similar laptop computer. There is monies in the budget from the technical expenditure fund

MOTION#_____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second Councilman Daniel Driver to approve expenditure from Newegg for \$749 Laptop Computer.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated he attended the conferences that Senator Gallivan hosted for Small Businesses following a Conference for the Town Supervisors & Mayors.

The Town of Aurora, Holland, Marilla, and Wales contract with the Village of Aurora for our Fire & Emergency Dispatch Services. The contract is 40 years old. I attended a meeting prior to this meeting today for bringing the contract more up-to-date. The Town of Sardinia may also join in on using the Village of Aurora Dispatch services. This will all be in the upcoming months and will be addressing the board, once the contract is re-worded.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

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

COMMITTEES:

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated that the Building Inspector still needs to complete his first training course and will be taking the test the week of March 27 month. He is requesting that the Town receives a Certificate of Completion as soon as possible be turned in prior to the next board meeting so that we have it for our files and have it on record.

DEPARTMENT HEAD AUDIT:

Michael Simon will be starting the Department Audit as soon as his court schedule clears. Plans on completing it between now and next Wednesday, 3/21/18.

REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

*Town Historian, Dee Zeigel stated that Charter Day will be April 15. Hope everyone comes. Invitations were sent. Need to know head count for attendance.
Kiwanis: Easter Egg Hunt March 31st at 11 am
Wales Center Fire Co.: Gun Raffle March 17 sold-out*

SECOND INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE

REVIEW AND ACTION ON SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: NONE

Still working on the 2017 year end close-out report.

REVIEW AND ACTION ON TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

Daniel Driver, approving the Town Clerk's monthly report for February 2018 as presented.

CARRIED

GENERAL FUND BILLS:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Michael Simon, second by Councilmen Daniel Driver approving payment of the 2018 General Abstract # 002, voucher #46-83 total amount \$16,313.30

CARRIED

Councilman Michael Simon abstained from voting, since he has not had time to review them.

HIGHWAY FUND BILLS:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Michael Simon, approving payment of the 2018 Highway Abstract # 002, voucher #022-040 total amount \$28,613.08

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION # _____ by Supervisor Rickey Venditti, second by Councilman Daniel Driver, Motion duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm

IN MEMORY OF: Richard Koszuta & Mabel Hudson

Submitted,
Melinda Eaton
Wales Town Clerk

