

TOWN OF WALES
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9th, 2020

The 9th meeting of the Wales Town Board was held on the 9th day of September 2020 at the Wales Center Community Building at 12345 Big Tree Road Wales Center, NY 14169 The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rickey Venditti at 7:00 pm EST

ROLL CALL:

Present: Supervisor Rickey Venditti
Councilman Dan Driver
Councilman Donald Butcher
Councilman Gerald Klinck
Councilman Kyle Barry

Town Engineering, and (10) residents whose names are on file.

INVOCATION: led by Councilman Donald Butcher

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: led by Councilman Dan Driver

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Addition of Item #9 under "New Business": Highway Superintendent Request to Expend Funds to seal Parking Lots at Town Hall and Court Building and enter executive session for a personal issue.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the agenda as present, with addition of item #9 Highway request of sealing parking lot and to enter executive session for a personal issue. CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION # _____ moved by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilwoman Donald Butcher, approving the minutes of August 11, 2020 and two public hearings as presented CARRIED

COMMENTS:

Jacob Balon 6378 Olean Rd-Regarding opposition to the proposed Dollar General in South Wales. Informed Supervisor Rickey Venditti that he has a petition opposing the Dollar General in South Wales. Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated that this agenda item will be tabled because a S.U.P. has not been received as of this date and asked that the petition be given to the Town Clerk and she will make copies for the board.

Kathy Sainsbury-6384 Olean Rd-gave petitions to the South Wales fire hall and will be picking them up on Thursday and adding them to the petitions that Jacob Balon has.

BOARD ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:05 TILL 7:17PM FOR A PERSONNEL ISSUE

OLD BUSINESS:

1.Request received for Natemeg Farm LLC. to operate a farm for N.Y.S. wine and craft beer at 6846 Olean Rd.

Ron Bennett has prepared a draft special use permit, and the applicant has combined the property's as per requested. Supervisor Rickey Venditti would like the board to review the draft of the special use permit.

2.S.U.P. application from The Broadway Group for proposed Dollar General Store at 6401 Olean Rd.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilwoman Kyle Barry, approving to table this request, till The Broadway Group applies for a Special Use Permit application. CARRIED

3.S.U.P. application from Centerline Communication for proposed cell tower at 12721 Warner Hill Road.

Dave Newman, clerk for Planning Board stated there was a meeting last month. The Planning Board approved it pending an investigation on wetlands. Dave Newman had a conversation with the company installing the cell tower. The company representative is looking into permits for wetlands. Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated the Conservation Board is following the same route as the Planning Board. They are trying to get information from the DEC. The applicant

stated they have been approved, but showed no paperwork from the DEC. Rickey Venditti stated we are waiting for the other boards to finish up their reviews on that matter.

4.S.U.P. application from Promised Land to amend their current permit.

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated they are asking for a business to operate out of a trailer on their parking lot. Supervisor Rickey Venditti asked, Dave Bender, Building Inspector if this request (use) is within our town codes and Dave replied no it didn't. Supervisor Venditti said that this S.U.P. does not comply with our town codes. He then asked if anyone would like to entertain a motion because this application does not comply with. Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated there is no use as per the Building Inspector for a business to be operating out of a trailer in their parking lot. Councilman Donald Butcher stated the board should reject the application on the grounds that it does not meet the town's code.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Donald Butcher, second by Councilman Daniel Driver for denying the application from Promised Land amending the S.U.P. because it doesn't meet within the town codes **CARRIED**

5. S.U.P. application from Thunder Hill Storage amend their current permit.

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated that Ron Bennett said Thunder Hill does not need a S.E.Q.R. as part of the application, but we will have to set a public hearing.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving a public hearing on September 22nd for the amended special use application. **CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS:

1.Town of Wales 2021 Tentative Budget.

Supervisor Rickey Venditti invited Councilman Don Butcher and Councilman Gerald Klinck to join him when he meets with Rae Hoxsie the town's Budget Director. We are down on sales tax. Sales tax was running about 10-12%. Therefore, this is why we always have a surplus and why the State slaps us on the hand. We have a surplus and were waiting for a rainy day, well it is here. Many other towns are suffering. We have the monies to cover. Therefore, we will not have to have a general town tax. This is why we have reserves. Our union contract is a 2% raise. Supervisor Rickey Venditti would like to set a date to request a Special Board meeting for the Tentative Town of Wales 2021 Budget presented to the board on September 22, 2020. This will follow the previous public hearing just set.

2. Request to set date for Special Board Meeting to present Town of Wales 2020 Tentative Budget on September 22nd, 2020.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving a Special Board Meeting to present Town of Wales 2020 Tentative Budget on September 22nd, 2020 **CARRIED**

3. Town Clerk request to expend funds to renew the annual licensing contract for Office 365.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Donald Butcher second by Councilman Gerald Klinck, approving the annual licensing Office 365 for all depts, at a cost of \$1008.00 from Liftoff LLC. **CARRIED**

4. Town Clerk request to expend funds to renew the annual maintenance contract for eCode 360 program.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the annual maintenance fee of \$1195 for eCode360 for town website. **CARRIED**

5. Request received from Brownie troop #34187 to utilize Wales Community Center for meetings.

Supervisor Rickey Venditti received a request for a local Brownie group to use the Community Center at 7:00 p.m., on October 8th, September 22nd, November 12th, December 10th. There are five girls and two co-leaders. In their request, they said they will use hand sanitizer, take temperature, wear face masks and follow any other COVID-19 safety protocol. Town attorney, Ronald Bennett, said they need to provide proof of insurance.

MOTION # _____ by Supervisor Rickey Venditti, second by Councilman Donald Butcher approving the use of the community center pending receipt of proof of insurance. **CARRIED**

6. Request to set date for Public Hearing on E. C. Community Development Block Grants on September 22nd, 2020.

Community Block Grant money is government money the town can utilize. Matching funds. On occasion, we were able to receive matching funds with the Community Development and Housing Projects that could benefit low to moderate income residents, elderly or handicap residents or for the prevention of slum or blight within the Town of Wales. Supervisor Rickey Venditti is requesting to set the date for a public hearing for the E.C. Community Development Block Grants for September 22, 2020. This will immediately follow the Special Board Meeting.

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving public hearing for the Community Block Grant for September 22nd
CARRIED

7. Update from the Code Enforcement Officer on the current status of Auctions International S.U.P. compliance.

Supervisor Rickey Venditti asked if Building Inspector Dave Bender put a package together. Building Inspector Dave Bender responded that he gave to package to Town Attorney, Ron Bennett. Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated that it is important that we have that in order to move forward.

8. Update on the N.Y.S. required Municipal Workers Compensation Alliance safety Training

Supervisor Rickey Venditti asked if Councilman Donald Butcher has been able to sign up anybody for the training. Councilman Donald Butcher has gotten no responded. Supervisor Rickey Venditti suggested utilizing zoom. Donald Butcher said he will keep the board posted.

9. Highway Superintendar, Michael Zywar submitted quotes to extend funds for sealing the parking lots

Supervisor Rickey Venditti stated Highway Superintendent, Michael Zywar able to obtain two quotes. JW Asphalt \$6,531.30 to seal all three parking lots and Seal a deal pavement for \$9,277.00

MOTION # _____ Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Daniel Driver, approving JW Asphalt to seal all three the parking lots at a cost of \$6,531.30. CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

Dee Ziegel-Town Historian. September 11th Remembrance ceremony at 7:00pm.
Face mask and social distancing.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS:

*Building Inspector/CEO - Rec'd & filed Attorney Report - Rec'd & filed
Town Clerk/Tax Collector – Rec'd & filed Highway Dept - Rec'd & filed*

REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

South Wales Fire Co: Chicken Bar-B-Q

SECOND INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REVIEW AND ACTION OF SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY REPORT:

MOTION # _____ moved by Councilman Donald Butcher, second by Councilman Gerald Klinck, approving the Supervisor's monthly report of September 2020 the transfer on page 2. CARRIED

REVIEW AND ACTION ON TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving the Town Clerk's monthly report for September 2020, as presented.
CARRIED

ACTION ON GENERAL FUND BILLS:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Donald Butcher, second by Councilman Kyle Barry, approving General Fund bills, abstract # 008, voucher # 231–263 total amount \$36,461.33
CARRIED

ACTION OF HIGHWAY FUND BILLS:

MOTION # _____ by Councilman Gerald Klinck, second by Councilman Donald Butcher, approving Highway Fund bills, abstract # 008, voucher #089 -103 total amount \$79,900.59
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business at hand, motion duly made by Supervisor Rickey Venditti and seconded by Councilman Donald Butcher to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm
IN MEMORY OF: Michael Spahn Sr.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Eaton

Wales Town Clerk