

THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NORTH COLLINS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DEEMBER 9, 2015, AT 7:00PM IN THE NORTH COLLINS TOWN HALL, 10569 MAIN STREET, NORTH COLLINS, NEW YORK.

PRESENT:	Supervisor	Rosaline A. Seege
	Councilmen:	Ellen M. Mathis Michael W. Perry John Tobia, Jr.
	Town Clerk	Margaret J. Orrange
	Highway Superintendent	David J. Winter
	Town Attorney	Richard M. Schaus
	Code Officer	Phil Tremblay

ABSENT: Councilman Karen A. Ricotta (at Judge school)

Item 1. Supervisor Seege called the meeting to order and led the Pledge to the Flag.

Item 2. Councilman Tobia presented awards to students from North Collins High School honoring them for their selflessness in holding a "Sleep out for the Homeless" which raised \$2,000 for the Eden-North Collins Food Pantry and the North Collins Neediest Fund.

Item 3. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** Elizabeth Novoa reported on school activities, including the Winter Ball, basketball season, and musical tryouts. The Chorus holiday concert will be December 10.

Item 4. **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT** David Winter is working on remediation plans for Luther Gulf Road with the DEC and Erie County Soil Conservation. He commented that the lack of snow is helping his budget. He thanked the Board for their assistance during the year and made farewell presentations to Supervisor Seege and Town Clerk Orrange.

Item 5. **CODE OFFICER** Phil Tremblay is monitoring the new construction of a group home on Route 62.

The Planning Board needs to reconvene to settle some issues with Gary Toner about Turtle's Automotive. Mr. Schaus stated that a letter must be sent to Mr. Toner, informing him of what he must do, and Mr. Toner needs to sign it.

Item 6. **LIBRARY BOARD** President Susan Alessi reported on successful programs.

They are pleased with the new parking lot. Mr. Winter requested:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Library be directed to remove the paper recycling boxes from the parking lot, to preserve the parking lot. Moved: Mathis. Second: Perry.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 7. **RECREATION LEADER** Jan Mathis reported on aerobics and adult indoor soccer. A meeting of parents to discuss youth soccer will be held on December 17 at 6:30pm in the High School cafeteria. The Recreation Board has recommended Allison Lange as assistant Rec Leader to replace Stephen Sheehy. Mrs. Mathis stated that Allison Lange will be hired for the After-School program at \$10 per hour and the minimum wage for the after-school workers at \$9 for 2016. Justin Leininger is recommended to replace Martin Niefergold on the Rec Committee.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Item 8. James Lint of Marshfield Road presented a petition of Lawtons residents requesting Town assistance with their water problems. Lawtons Water Company president Tom Wilder gave a presentation of the situation. Mr. Schaus inquired about the stockholders and if they had met. He stated that the Town would help where allowable, since they would like to remain independent and not form a water district. They need assistance with a culvert pipe.

Item 9. Judy Wilder requested brighter lighting for the Senior Center parking lot, for those who attend evening activities. Mr. Perry moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board improve lighting at the Senior Center parking lot, up to a cost of \$3,000. Second: Mathis.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 10. Ann Converso of Marshfield Road presented a resolution in favor of "Safe Staffing for Quality Care" and requested support from the Town Board. Mr. Tobia moved: BE IT RESOLVED that the North Collins Town Board supports the resolution requesting the State Legislature to amend the State's Public Health law to enact the proposed "Safe Staffing for Quality Care Act" Second: Perry.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 11. Village Mayor Vincent George inquired about the state of **Helmuth Dispatch's** finances. Mrs. Seege presented a financial packet and explained that there is a current balance of \$5,275, but still outstanding charges for unemployment and retirement costs. There may be a need for additional charges to the former partners.

Item 12. **MINUTES.** Mr. Perry moved to approve the **November Minutes** as previously presented: Second: Mathis.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 13. **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.** Mrs. Seege presented her monthly report for November 2015. She submitted suggestions for cleaners for appointment in January, and thanked Bookkeeper Agnes Parks for her loyalty and service.

Mrs. Seege moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that Item #13 in the July Minutes requiring a transfer of \$10,620.96 from DA be rescinded. Second: Perry.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

BE IT RESOLVED that Item #17 in the August 2015 Minutes the contract with Mark Adamchick be changed from a total of \$5,125. Second: Perry

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

COUNCILMEN REPORTS

Item 14. Mr. Tobia reported that Mrs. Orrange had contacted Paul D'Orlando, of Erie County Community Development and that he had stated that the Senior Center was not available for change or rent for any other use than Seniors until after 11/16/2016. Mr. Tobia recommended keeping the Senior Center for senior purposes in order to obtain additional grants. The Board requested that the Town Clerk request a written statement from Mr. D'Orlando.

Item 15. Mr. Tobia attended a meeting of Town Supervisors and State Senator Gallivan. The swearing-in ceremony will be held on January 1 at 1PM in the Town Hall. The Organizational Meeting will be held on January 6 at 7PM.

Item 16. Mrs. Mathis noted that Town logo apparel was being sold at the schools.

Item 17. Mr. Schaus approved signing the amendment to the **Erie County Snow Removal Contract**, giving the Town additional 3.1 lane miles to plow. Mr. Perry moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that Supervisor Seege is authorized and directed to sign the amended Snow Contract with Erie County. Second: Mathis.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 18. **TOWN CLERK REPORT.** Mrs. Orrange requested:

BE IT RESOLVED that the North Collins Town Board hereby agrees to enter into a mutual agreement with the Town of Eden, whereby the Town of North Collins Highway Department will plow snow from Clarksburg Road from the North Collins Town Line up to the Eighteen Mile Creek Bridge, in exchange for the Eden Town Highway Department plowing Belcher Road and New Oregon Road from the North Collins/Eden Town Line up to Rocky Mountain Road Moved: Seege. Second: Perry.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 19. Mrs. Orrange inquired about the **Clear Lake Reservoir** situation and was informed that the lake would stay at this time, but that the level would be lowered.

Mr. Perry moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that Dicci Montaldi is hereby reappointed to a five-year term on the **Board of Assessment Review**, effective 10/1/2015. Second: Seege.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 20. The Town Clerk's **Monthly Report for November 2015** was submitted with a check for \$719.27.

Item 21. Mr. Perry moved to enter into **Executive Session** at 9:02PM to discuss current legislation and the employment history of a particular person. Second: Mathis.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Mathis moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board return to **Regular Session** at 10:00PM. Second: Perry.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 22. Mrs. Mathis moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that supervisor Seege is authorized and directed to retain Attorney Robert Crawford as legal counsel to pursue a legal action vs NYMIR to recover all expenses paid to defend the Rocky Mountain Road litigation which should have been covered by NYMIR. Second: Tobia.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 23. Mrs. Seege moved:

WHEREAS during 2015 a series of purchases has been made by Highway Superintendent Winter from Buffalo Truck without Town Board approval,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is directed to obtain all paid invoices to provide them to the Supervisor as soon as possible, and

FURTHER RESOLVED the Supervisor is directly authorized to obtain all invoices from Buffalo Truck. Second: Mathis.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

AUDIT OF BILLS

Item 24. Mrs. Seege moved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following claims, as set forth in Abstract #12 are approved for payment by the Town Board:

A: #696,698-700,702-703,705-707,709,711-731,734-35,752,758,760,763	\$124,618.20
B: #695-697,701,704,710713,733,736-37	8,8992.19
DA:#738-39	823.53
DB: #708,713,732,740-757,759,762	27,350.34
SM: #711	-124.06
SR: #761	<u>12,109.94</u>
TOTALS:	\$173,670.14

Second: Mathis .

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mathis, Perry, Seege, Tobia. Noes 0. Motion carried.

Item 25. **ADJOURNMENT**. Motion to adjourn at 10:11PM by Seege. Second: Mathis. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret J. Orrange
North Collins Town Clerk