

TOWN OF CAMBRIA TOWN BOARD

February 11, 2016

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambria Town Board was held at 7:00 pm on the 11th day of February 2016 at the Town Hall, 4160 Upper Mountain Road, Town of Cambria, New York.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wright H. Ellis, Supervisor
Matthew P. Foe, Councilman
Jeffrey S. Hurtgam, Councilman
Randy M. Roberts, Councilman
Joseph Ohol, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT:

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk
Jon T. MacSwan, Highway Superintendent
Robert Roberson, Attorney
Jamie Johnson, Wendel
David Godfrey, Niagara County Legislator
3 interested individuals

Following salute to the flag, Supervisor Ellis called the regular meeting to order. The Town Board took action on the following matters:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Ohol and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Town Board meeting of January 14, 2016.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Ohol, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Having been reviewed by the Town Board, the following claims were presented for payment:

Cemetery Fund	Claim	1	\$ 535.40
Drainage Fund	Claims	2	\$ 492.48
General Fund	Claims	21-73	\$ 69,660.85
Highway Fund	Claims	7-29	\$ 76,167.04
Refuse Fund	Claims	1	\$ 30,929.71
Sewer Operating Fund	Claims	2-5	\$ 261,280.98
Trust & Agency	Claims	2-5	\$ 428,764.00
Water Construction	Claims	1	\$ 2,310.00
Water Operating Fund	Claims	8-27	\$ 12,706.55

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved that the abstract of audited vouchers dated February 11, 2016, be approved as read by the Town Clerk.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Ohol, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

PLANNED DEVELOPMENT REZONING

TABLED UNTIL MARCH 2016

COMSTOCK/SUBBERA/CAMBRIA ROADS WATERLINES

Jamie Johnson, Wendel, gave an update on the waterline project. Only a few outstanding items remaining in the design phase. The easements have all been received and given to the Town Attorney for review. The Town will do an internal review of the National Grid and the three CSX agreements. The last item is the waiting for the formal approval from the Army Corps of Engineers. Once that is received bid date will be set no later than the April meeting.

SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS

Jamie Johnson, Wendel, reported that the sanitary sewer repairs are in design phase and should be on the same schedule as the waterlines. Bid date to be set in April.

2017 ASSESSMENT ROLL UPDATE

Supervisor Ellis indicated that he signed the contract with GAR Associates LLC for consulting assistance for the Assessor, Debra Littere. The startup meeting was held on February 4, 2016, which included, a GAR representative, Debra Littere, representative from State Real Property Services and Councilman Foe.

Councilman Foe reported that GAR Associates gave an excellent presentation. The roll out to the residents will be by postcard on April 1st. GAR employees will be making themselves very available during this process. They will

have ID badges and their cars will be on file. The entire process will take a little more than a year and the roll will be set by 2017. (2017-2018 School Tax & 2018 Town Tax)

ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT

Supervisor Ellis reported that the auditors from Lumsden & McCormick will be at the Town Hall the week of February 22 to perform the yearly audit. They were here in January and completed some work with regard to the Justice Court.

TOWN CLERK REPORTS

The Town Clerk reported receipt of the following:

- Town Clerk Report January: Total Receipts: \$30,327.68
- Building Inspector Report January: Total fees collected: \$ 845.00
Total estimated value of construction: \$97,800.00
- Receipt of a letter from Lynda McSpadden, of Sparky's Weiners-4078 North Ridge Road, Lockport, indicating they have applied for a seasonal beer permit
- Request from the Pekin Fire Company to add the following names to the active membership:

**Rachel Becken-2446 Upper Mountain Road, Sanborn- pending physical
Elizabeth Siuta, 3344 Lockport Road, Sanborn-pending physical**

- Request from the Pekin Fire Company to remove the following name from the active membership:

**Darwin Haseley-3878 Lower Mountain Road, Lockport
Erin Wollaber-4501 Ridge Road, Lockport**

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Ohol, it was resolved to approve the addition of Rachel Becken-2446 Upper Mountain Road, Sanborn- and Elizabeth Siuta, 3344 Lockport Road, Sanborn- to the roster of the Pekin Fire Company pending receipt of physical paperwork and to approve the removal of Darwin Haseley-3878 Lower Mountain Road, Lockport and Erin Wollaber-4501 Ridge Road, Lockport from the active roster.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Ohol, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

The Highway Superintendent, Jon MacSwan, reported as follows:

- The weather has been cooperating so the Highway employees working on equipment for the summer
- Salt supply is good right now, last year this time they were rationing salt

Supervisor Ellis asked Mr. MacSwan if the hydraulic thumb for the excavator has been purchased yet. Mr. MacSwan indicated that it has not; he is waiting for another price quote.

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENTS

No reports

TOWN POLICY AND PROCEDURES REVIEW COMMITTEE

Councilman Foe reported that the Committee met last week, and it is in the hands of the attorney.

ATTORNEY REPORTS

Town Attorney, Mr. Roberson, reported as follows:

Comstock/Cambria/Subbera Waterline Project:

- Received and reviewed the CSX and Niagara Mohawk agreements from Wendel
- Reviewed the easements and they are in form now to be taken to the owners for signatures
- Problems resolved with the Tops Plaza owned by Benderson (*will be addressed under New Business*)

CONCERNS OF CITIZENS

Supervisor Ellis acknowledged Collin Henry, from Cambria Troop 8, who was in attendance for his Communications Merit Badge. This is his last merit badge before becoming an Eagle Scout.

He also welcomed Mr. Jon Pressley, the new Chief of the Cambria Vol. Fire Company.

Legislator Godfrey updated the Board on the following:

- A new Colonel from the 914th took command at a ceremony on this past Saturday. He is a tanker pilot so there is some indication that a tanker mission may be coming to the base
- The Broadband effort is coming along. The RFPs are due on April 15th
- The opiate problem is a major concern. Three years ago the State Public Safety Committee was concerned with this growing issue. The Legislators are all working together to create programs to be aggressive and proactive-from early education, cure and post treatment

BENDERSON DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC AGREEMENT

Supervisor Ellis explained the Benderson Development Co., LLC Agreement addresses the issue of sewer installation of Benderson Property, Sanborn. This plaza serves CVS Pharmacy and the new Tops. In this agreement Benderson is taking full responsibility of the installation, which the Town considers, inadequate. They agree to take over the maintenance and if it fails they will take responsibility for replacing it as dictated by the Town Engineers.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the the Benderson Development Co., LLC Agreement re: the sewer installation in the CVS/Tops Plaza, Sanborn, NY 14132, and authorize the Supervisor to sign.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Ohol, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Supervisor Ellis had a meeting with National Grid representatives this morning regarding electric installation at the Town Park. This is in support of the Comfort station and security cameras. The engineer will now use the information provided to come up with final specifications. After they are received by National Grid, they will come back to the Town with a final price. Some Greenway money will go to support this effort.

Supervisor Ellis sent National Fuel an email about three weeks ago and followed up with them a week ago after no response. They are working on the final numbers on extending the natural gas line along Upper Mountain Road to the Town Hall Complex. The Town will have to convert propane tanks to natural gas. Everything will be converted except the generators.

COOPERATING MS4 LETTER OF COMMITMENT

Supervisor Ellis indicated that the Western New York Stormwater Coalition, is seeking a grant. The project, entitled *Western NY Stormwater Coalition: MS4 Gap Analysis & Mapping Project*, includes completion of a gap analysis to identify barriers to green infrastructure in local laws; and, a continuation of MS4 storm system mapping that will add the following features: municipal facilities and the storm sewers draining those properties; stormwater management practices, including ponds, chambers, bioretention areas, swales, rain gardens, pervious pavement; and, web-based tools for tracking environmental assessments at facilities, and inspections and maintenance of stormwater management practices. This agreement places some responsibility on the Town including some inkind services. We are requesting the entire Town be included. No further cost to the Town.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the Cooperating MS4 Commitment Letter between the Town of Cambria and the WNY Stormwater Coalition for the Gap Analysis & Mapping Project and authorize the Supervisor to sign.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Ohol, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

TOWN SECURITY

Supervisor Ellis would like to petition the Niagara County Personnel office to establish three new positions- Town Security Person. This will allow the Town to bring them on to the payroll and give them some liability protection. They will be working primarily for the Justice Court, but according to the job description they are also available for other Town events when needed. These are new titles for the three people currently under contract and working for the Town.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Foe, it was resolved to authorize the Supervisor to petition the Niagara County Personnel office to establish three new positions- Town Security Person.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Ohol, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

Town of Cambria Town Board
February 11, 2016

Councilman Ohol announced there was a Drainage Committee meeting last week and it approved two ditch petitions: Ziemendorf- Baer Road and Ellis Farm- Lower Mountain Road.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by motion made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam.
Time: 7:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara J. Cooper
Town Clerk