

TOWN OF CAMBRIA TOWN BOARD

July 8, 2021

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambria Town Board was held at 7:00 pm on the 8th day of July 2021 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
Benjamin D. Musall, Councilman
Randy M. Roberts, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT:

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk
Jon MacSwan, Highway Superintendent
Robert Roberson, Attorney
Tim Walck, Wendel
David Godfrey, Legislator

Following salute to the flag, Supervisor Ellis called the regular meeting to order. Board members took action upon the following matters:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the Town Board meetings of June 10, 2021 regular meeting and June 10, 2021 Work Meeting.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

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

July 8, 2021

FUND	CLAIM	AMOUNT
Cemetery	6-8	\$408.12
Drainage	4	\$700.00
General	262-309	\$51,031.67
Highway	90-107	\$327,917.58
Refuse	7-8	\$35,711.86
Water Operating	83-93	\$54,079.88

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Musall it was resolved that the abstract of audited vouchers dated July 8, 2021 be approved as read by the Town Clerk.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

OLD BUSINESS

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Supervisor Ellis reported that the Town Board is in receipt of a recommendation from the Niagara County Planning Board dated June 21, 2021 to approve the Updated Comprehensive Plan.

RESOLUTION- SEQR

CAMBRIA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the Cambria Town Board , with the input and participation of the Town Comprehensive Plan Update committee, Town Staff, and the citizens of the Town have completed a Town of Cambria Comprehensive Plan Update in accordance with Section 272-a of New York State Town Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act - SEQR) of the Environmental Conservation Law, the Cambria Town Board has established itself as SEQR Lead Agency and conducted a coordinated environmental (SEQR) review for this Type I action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received input from the public and from other Involved and Interested agencies, and has taken a hard look at the social, economic and environmental impacts of the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan 2021 Update; and

WHEREAS, the findings of this review indicate that the adoption of the Town of Cambria Comprehensive Plan 2021 Update will not adversely affect the natural resources of the State and/or the health, safety and welfare of the public, and will help manage growth and development in the Town in a manner that will have potentially beneficial impacts on aesthetics, recreation, transportation and community character.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cambria Town Board, as SEQR Lead Agency for this action, has determined that the adoption of the Town of Cambria Comprehensive Plan 2021 Update will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment, and a Negative Declaration is hereby issued, based on the reasons as set forth in the Notice of Determination of Non-Significance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cambria Town Board recognizes the fact that the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update incurs no direct environmental impacts, and that the implementation of any suggested actions under the Comprehensive Plan, which may have potential impacts on the physical development of the Town, may require subsequent and specific SEQRA review; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign the Environmental Assessment Form and authorizes Wendel, the Town's consultant, to undertake the appropriate notices and filings.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Hurtgam and seconded by Councilman Roberts it was resolved to approve the Resolution on the Comprehensive Plan Update -SEQR.

The question of the resolution was put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

WRIGHT H. ELLIS voting AYE
MATTHEW P. FOE voting AYE
JEFFREY S. HURTGAM voting AYE
BENJAMIN D. MUSALL voting AYE
RANDY ROBERTS voting AYE

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION- ADOPTION
CAMBRIA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the Cambria Town Board, its Comprehensive Plan and Solar committee, Town staff and citizens have worked diligently in preparing a Comprehensive Plan update for the Town; and

WHEREAS, through the coordinated actions of the Town Board, Comprehensive Plan and Solar committee, Town staff and citizens, the Town has completed the Comprehensive Plan 2021 update in accordance with Section 272-a of New York State Town Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cambria Town Board has reviewed the draft documents and directed updates of the Plan in response to input received; and

WHEREAS, the Cambria Town Board held a public hearing to solicit final comments on the draft Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cambria Town Board, as Lead Agency, through a coordinated review process, which was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), has determined that the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan will not have a significant effect on the environment and has issued a Negative Declaration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cambria Town Board hereby adopts the document entitled “Town of Cambria Comprehensive Plan”, updated May 2021, as the Town’s Comprehensive Plan; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of the Town of Cambria Comprehensive Plan be filed in the office of the Cambria Town Clerk, and placed on the Town’s website.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Roberts it was resolved to adopt the Updated Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Cambria.

The question of the resolution was put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

WRIGHT H. ELLIS voting AYE
MATTHEW P. FOE voting AYE
JEFFREY S. HURTGAM voting AYE
BENJAMIN D. MUSALL voting AYE
RANDY ROBERTS voting AYE

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

TOWN CLERK REPORTS

The Town Clerk reported receipt of the following:

- Town Clerk Report June: Total Receipts: \$8,933.57
- Building Inspector Report June: Total fees collected: \$ 3,381.95.00
Estimated value of construction: \$ 660,950.00
- In receipt of a request from Cambria Fire Company to add to their active roster the following:

Grace Poitras - 2799 Upper Mountain Road; *physical paperwork was received: 6/29/2021*

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Musall and seconded by Councilman Foe, it was resolved to approve the addition of Grace Poitras 2799 Upper Mountain Road to the active roster of the Cambria Vol. Fire Co.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

The Highway Superintendent, Jon MacSwan, reported as follows:

- Last round of brush pick-up.
- Installed a skating rink at the Town Park.
- Diamond #1 not draining properly due to muskrats- Councilman Foe suggested he contact DEC before trying to remove them.
- Paving Daniels Road and shoulders on Burch Road.

WATER SEWER REPORTS

The Highway Superintendent, Jon MacSwan, reported as follows:

- Water will be shut off on Rt. 31 between Meahl and Comstock Rd.'s- July 12, 2021 9:00 am to 3:00 pm to work on hydrants.

ATTORNEY REPORTS

No reports.

Supervisor Ellis reported on the following:

BEAR RIDGE SOLAR PROJECT

Cypress Creek will hold a public information meeting at the Cambria Fire Hall on July 14, 2021, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

CONCERNS OF CITIZENS

David Godfrey, Legislator-

- Cypress Creek has requested a meeting with the County Manager on the morning on July 14th in order to discuss stormwater and erosion management at the County level. Dawn Timm, Amy Fisk and the attorneys will be present at that meeting. He made sure that Cypress Creek has a copy of the new Local Law regarding recycling of the modules.
- Tuesday afternoon they will be opening bids for an internet vendor to provide broadband across the entire county.

NEW BUSINESS

GEORGE J. BUSH RECOGNITION

Supervisor Ellis indicated that the Town Board would like to recognize George J. Bush. He was a councilman from 1991 to 2011 and Deputy Supervisor for 20 years. Mr. Bush was the driving force behind the Town Park and acquiring the property for it. He Chaired the Recreation/Park Committee for several years and was active in youth programs throughout his life. The Town Board would like to honor him by renaming baseball diamond #1 with appropriate signage and a plaque.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the recognition of George J. Bush, former Town Councilman (1991-2011) and Deputy Supervisor (1992-2011), for his tireless efforts overseeing development of the Cambria Town Park, by naming Baseball Diamond #1 as the George J. Bush Field and designating same with an appropriate plaque and signage.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts
PROCUREMENT POLICY PURCHASE

-Motion Carried-

**2021-08 GENERAL
VIDEO EQUIPMENT FOR TOWN BOARD ROOM- TOWN BOARD, PLANNING BOARD & ZONING
BOARD OF APPEALS MEETINGS.**

2 proposals:

5-day Productions/MerantoMedia: \$2,671.98
Cameron Workman/Niagara University: \$1,635.55

MerantMedia's proposal includes the cost of installation and training for one year.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Foe, it was resolved to accept the proposal for Video Equipment/Installation and Training from 5-day Productions/MerantoMedia: in the amount of \$2,671.98.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

ADDITIONAL MATTERS

TOWN CAR LEASE

Supervisor Ellis reported that the Town Car Lease is due to expire in July and he would like authorization to negotiate a lease for a comparable replacement vehicle.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to authorize the Supervisor to negotiate a lease for a comparable replacement vehicle.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion made by Councilman Musall and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam. Time: 7:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk