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TOWN OF CAMBRIA TOWN BOARD

March 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambria Town Board was held at 7:00 pm on the 10th day of March 2022 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
Tom Brandt, Attorney
David Godfrey, Legislator
10 Interested individuals

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the Town Board meetings of February 10, 2022.

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:

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FUND	CLAIM NUMBERS	AMOUNT
Drainage	3	\$380.00
General	84-125	\$129,066.30
Highway	21-34	\$75,912.84
Refuse	2	\$32,699.42
Sewer Op	8-15	\$262,762.33
Trust & Agency	5	\$596.00
Water Operating	30-47	\$7,658.06

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Musall it was resolved that the abstract of audited vouchers dated March 10, 2022 be approved as read by the Town Clerk.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

DISPOSAL OF TOWN PROPERTY

This is still on hold. The Board is still waiting for the appraisal of the property.

TOWN CLERK REPORTS

The Town Clerk reported receipt of the following:

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| • Town Clerk Report February: | Total Receipts: | \$ | 60,543.68 |
| • Building Inspector Report February: | Total fees collected: | \$ | 591.00 |
| Estimated value of construction: | | \$ | 67,000.00 |

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Jon MacSwan, Highway Superintendent, reported as follows:

- Information on black top prices for this year:
2021 Binder was \$55.43 and this year it is \$62.00;
2021 Top binder was \$63.10 and this year it is \$74.50.
- Niagara County will be sweeping Upper Mountain and Lower Mountain Roads.

WATER SEWER REPORTS

No report.

ATTORNEY REPORTS

No report.

Supervisor Ellis reported on the following:

Bear Ridge Solar:

- The developer for the proposed solar project is working on a response to the deficiencies on their original application. They have 60 days in which to do so and will be due end of April.
- A letter regarding the Town's position on the proposed solar project was mailed out in February listing concerns, etc. There was a very favorable response to it.

Supervisor Ellis asked Ms. Tasner, COIS, if she has received any new members as a result of the letter.

Ms. Tasner reported she has received a number of new members. She thanked the Board for writing the letter; it was well written and informative. There were still some residents who did not understand the scope of the project prior to the letter.

- Supervisor Ellis has been invited to attend an Introductory Partnership Meeting on Monday at the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station. They are working on a compatible use project where the surrounding communities address their local codes to be sure nothing interferes with the flight patterns.

CONCERNS OF THE CITIZENS

David Godfrey, Legislator,

Mr. Godfrey reported that the IDA put a moratorium on PILOTS for small solar projects. This does not apply to the big ones which fall under the 94C.

Sharon Tasner-Subbera Rd.

Ms. Tasner invited the Town Board to attend the upcoming large group opposition meeting- Wednesday, March 23, at 6:30 pm at the Cambria Fire Hall. There is an upcoming fundraiser- pancake breakfast Saturday, March 26, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Presale tickets are \$8.00 and \$9.00 at the door.

NEW BUSINESS

PERSONNEL POLICY AND BENEFITS SCHEDULE

Supervisor Ellis reported that the Personnel Policy and Benefits Schedule that was approved by the Town Board in January, has some changes and additions.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam it was resolved that the Personnel Policy and Benefits Schedule dated March 2022, which is an update of the one that was approved at the January meeting.

The question of the adoption of the forgoing Resolution was put to a roll call vote, 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 M. ROBERTS voting AYE

The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Musall, it was resolved to appoint Sharon Tasner, 5693 Subbera Rd., Lockport to the Board of Assessment Review Board to complete a term that expires September 30, 2023.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts **-Motion Carried-**

RECREATION PROGRAM COODINATOR

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to appoint Ryleigh M. McCoy, 4036 Beebe Rd., Newfane as the Recreation Program Coordinator at \$18.00 an hour. This is a permanent seasonal appointment to set up Summer Day Program and Baseball/Softball.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts **-Motion Carried-**

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Musall, it was resolved to approve the 2021 member census for the Cambria Fire Protection District Service Award Program; Defined Contribution Service Award Program with 25 eligible members from the Cambria Volunteer Fire Company.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts **-Motion Carried-**

AGREEMENT TO EXPEND TOWN HIGHWAY FUNDS

Highway Superintendent MacSwan reported on the annual agreement to expend Town Highway funds in the sum of \$548,910.00 may be expended for general repairs of 36.6 miles of Town roads and highways. The improvements will focus on Baer Rd, between Upper Mountain and Lower Mountain Road distance of 4,095'; Burch Rd. between Townline Rd. and Route 104 distance of 6,760'; Human Rd. between Shawnee Rd. and Baer Rd. distance of 4,253'; and VanDeusen Rd. from Green Rd. to Plank Rd. distance 3,848'.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to approve the agreement to spend Town Highway funds in the sum of \$548,910.00 may be expended for general repairs of 36.6 miles of Town roads and highways.

The question of the adoption of the forgoing Resolution was put to a roll call vote, 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 M. ROBERTS voting AYE

The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

PROCUREMENT POLICY PURCHASES

2022-06 General

Town Park Concrete under all five shelters

QUOTES:

Faery Concrete, Inc. - \$19,750.00
Hy-Tech Concrete - \$19,776.00
Solid Ground Concrete- \$24,575.00

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam it was resolved to approve a purchase from Faery Concrete in the amount of \$19,750.00 for concrete under all park shelters.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

2022-07 General

Emergency Repair of Town Recycling Building

QUOTES:

DiNieri Construction - \$2,450.00
Niagara Construction- \$3,560.00

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Hurtgam and seconded by Councilman Roberts it was resolved to approve a purchase from DiNieri Construction in the amount of \$2,450.00 for emergency repair of the Town Recycling Building.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

2022-08 General

Repair of Old Highway Garage - metal siding fascia and trim

QUOTES:

DiNieri Construction \$31,500.00
Niagara Construction \$29,860.00
Collins Construction \$31,800.00

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Foe and seconded by Councilman Musall it was resolved to approve a purchase from Niagara Construction in the amount of \$29,860.00 for repair of the Old Highway Garage – metal siding, fascia and trim.

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Ellis, Foe, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk