# TOWN OF CARROLLTON MONTHLY MEETING April 13th, 2016 4:00PM

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

640 MAIN STREET

LIMESTONE, NY 14753

**Present:** Town Supervisor James Stoddard, Councilman Florence Fuller, Councilman Ralph Bottone, Councilman Brian Jacoby, Councilman James Rounsville, Town Clerk Julie Carlson, Ricky Dixon W/S/Maintenance, Bookkeeper Mary Rhodes. Town Attorney Eric Firkel.

Not Present: Water/Sewer/Rental Clerk Rosemary Fowler.

Supervisor Stoddard called the Meeting to order following with the Pledge of Allegiance at 4:00PM.

**Motion** made by Councilman Fuller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rounsville to pay bills presented. All voting yes, Motion carried.

# 2016 Bills presented

- General \$ 29,553.57 v#70--98
- Highway \$ 4,495.99 v#22-29
- Sewer 1 \$ 132.52 v#4
- Sewer 2 \$4,333.12 v#17-24
- Water \$ 503.95 v#15-21

**Total** \$ 39,019.15

**Motion** made by Councilman Bottone, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rounsville to approve the March 9th, 2016 Monthly Minutes as written. All voting yes, Motion carried.

#### **Checks Received:**

\$ 256.00 Town Clerk's Acct-March Sales

20,394.75 Justice Joseph Crowley-Fines Collected for February

7,472.75 Justice Joseph Crowley-Fines Collected for March

24,180.50 Justice Michael Soper-Fines Collected for February

17,773.50 Justice Michael Soper-Fines Collected for March

100.00 Matt Zurat-Rm 203 Rent-April

550.00 Enchanted Mountain Roller Derby -Gym Rent-April

165.00 Karen Fox-Foxy's Pet Shop- (641) Garage Rent-April

1,800.00 John Smith "Parts R Us" Rent-April

157.00 S & B Sound & Production-Rm 204-Rent-April

157.00 William Songer-Barber Shop-Rm 10-Rent-March

85.37 Fire Commissioners-January Fuel Usage

390.00 S. Wilt Rm 110-Rent-3/22-3/31/16 & April

50.00 B. Parsons-Gym Rental-B-day party-3/26/2016 (2hrs)

75.00 B. Parsons-Gym Rental-Pickup Basketball 1 hr. each 3/23&3/30/16, 04/06/16

180.00 BJ's Memberships-F. Fuller, B. Shields, D. Soper, M. Rhodes, B. Wood, J. Carlson

**Total \$73,786.87** 

**Monthly Reports:** The Town Clerk, Water/Sewer/Rental Clerk, Highway Superintendent, Building & Zoning Permits, Dog Control, Town Supervisor Report were all distributed and reviewed.

# **Correspondence:**

- New York Gas & Electric- offer to lock in rates at .06 cents for 2 years. The Board declined this offer.
- D & J's Lawn Service-Cemetery Quote for Lawn Care for 2016. The Board is researching this before accepting.

#### Rick Dixon-Water/Sewer/Bldg. Maintenance:

- Ricky is working with the County on our Water testing. He said our water in the index is corrosive so he will have to start injecting a chemical that will coat inside the pipes so it doesn't eat away at the copper pipes at resident's home level. This is giving the tests a high copper reading because of this. He hasn't received all the information back at this time but will keep the Board updated. At this time, it is a possibility we may need 2 systems. He is working on it with the County and working on a schedule to do checks that were never in place.
- Councilman Bottone said he would speak to the Highway Dept. about when they work on the roads about not covering the sewer tops and water valves. Rick stated he has mentioned to them before to let him know when & where they would be and he would get the risers for them.

## **Cemetery:**

- Rick stated he would like to know as soon as possible as to the decision on who will be doing he lawn care at the cemetery so he can plan on the time needed if it is going to be him and Jerry taking care of it and not a service. He has cut down and cleaned up an old tree that was dangerous down there, and wants to have everything in good shape for Memorial Day.
- Rick inquired if the Highway Dept. could work with him to get the Cemetery Roads in shape. Councilman Bottone said he would talk to them.
- Rick requested to have a survey done for the Cemetery, we are running out of room and he needs to know exactly how much room he has to use on the new side he is using. Supervisor Stoddard said he would talk to the County.

## John Helgager-Temp. Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer & Building Inspector:

• John reported he received a phone call from out of Town Code Enforcement that there is somebody living in a camper on Hillside Drive. He investigated this and has sent out a courtesy letter to the land owner who no longer lives in the area. He will wait to hear back and take action from there.

### **New Business:**

• Town Attorney-Erick Firkel updated the Board on the Carrollton Heights vs. Town of Carrollton Assessor, Board of Assessment Review for the Town of Carrollton. Attorney Firkel reviewed the Order of Settlement that has been drawn up. This includes leaving the assessment at 560 Main Street unchanged for 2015 Taxable Status and it to corrected and reduced from \$411,000.00 to \$273,000.00 in assessed value for taxable status for 2016, 2017 and 2018.

**Motion** made by Councilman Bottone, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Fuller to execute the settlement. All voting yes, Motion carried.

• Attorney Firkel also reviewed Local Law 3-2016 Dog Licensing, Control, Confining and Leashing of Dogs in the Town of Carrollton and Repealing Local Law 1-2011 and the Town of Carrollton Animal Control Ordinance (4/9/1997). He requested the Board and Supervisor to review it thoroughly and they would proceed from there at the next meeting.

## **Open Forum:**

- Town Resident Julie Buchanan stated that she had been looking on line at the County information and it showed her sewer rates had increased 83%. But others around her hand not. She had made several phone calls before having any satisfaction. Councilman Rounsville called the County and this was an error. It has since then been corrected.
- Town Resident Mike Soper showed interest in property near his business that he is interested in purchasing. Attorney Eric Firkel stated he would look into this.
- Mike Soper also stated that as the Town Justice he wanted to inform the Board that there is still room to set up more cameras for the Town Complex. Supervisor Stoddard said he would call Austin to get an estimate for the next Board Meeting.
- Rick Dixon said he has contacted Minich Electric to put a light on the building towards the US Flag. He will also ask him about the side light towards the Playground.

**Old Business: None** 

#### **Executive Session:**

**Motion** made by Councilman Bottone, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rounsville to go into Executive Session at 5:45 pm for review of Code Enforcement Applications. All voting yes, Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilman Fuller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Bottone to come out of Executive Session at 5:55 pm. All voting yes, Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilman Bottone, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rounsville to appoint John Helgager as the Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer and Building Inspector through December 2016. All voting yes, Motion carried.

John Helgager stated he would like the Board to set up and review Policy & Procedures Guidelines to follow so it is the same procedure for each resident/Land Owner. Supervisor Stoddard said he would follow up on this.

**Motion** made by Councilman Fuller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Bottone to adjourn the meeting at 6:15PM. All voting yes, Motion carried.

The next scheduled Monthly Meeting is Wednesday, May 11th, 2016 @ 4PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Carlson –Town Clerk