

**TOWN OF CARROLLTON  
MONTHLY MEETING  
July 11, 2017  
4:00 PM**

**MUNICIPAL COMPLEX      640 MAIN STREET      LIMESTONE, NY 14753**

Present: Town Supervisor James Stoddard, Councilman Florence Fuller, Councilman Ralph Bottone, Councilman Brian Jacoby, Councilman Jim Rounsville. Rick Dixon Water/Sewer/Maintenance, Rosemary Fowler Deputy Town Clerk, John Helgager Code Enforcement Officer, Mike Fox Highway Superintendent, Mary Rhodes Bookkeeper, Ben Slotman Sewer Project Engineer, Eric Firkel Town Attorney, Town resident Dave Frederick.

Excused: Julie Carlson Town Clerk.

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

**2017 Bills Presented:**

General	\$ 30,652.81	Vouchers	154 - 179
Highway	3,900.30	Vouchers	65 - 75
Sewer 1	141.21	Vouchers	16 - 17
Sewer 2	10,554.02	Vouchers	68 - 79
Water	1,268.86	Vouchers	56 - 66

**\$ 46,517.20 Total Bills Presented**

**Motion** made by Councilman Rounsville, seconded by Councilman Fuller to pay bills presented. All voting yes, motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilman Bottone, seconded by Councilman Fuller to approve the June 13, 2017 minutes as written. All voting yes, motion carried.

**Checks received:**

\$ 467.29	Town Clerk Sales for June 2017
9,368.00	Justice Joseph Crowley – Fines collected for June 2017
10,225.00	Justice Michael Soper – Fines collected for June 2017
150.00	Matthew Zurat - Room 210 rent July 2017
165.00	Karen Fox – Foxy’s Pet Shop Garage rent July 2017
291.00	Dennis Johnson - Room 109 rent July 2017
1,800.00	Parts r Us - Garage rent July 2017
157.00	S & B Sound and Production - Room 204 July 2017
109.00	Brandish & Associates - Room 203/mailbox July 2017
325.00	NJ Real Property - Room 201/Balance Room 200 June 2017
200.00	Hollenbeck-Cahill Cemetery/Cremation
100.00	Hollenbeck-Cahill Cemetery/Cremation
850.00	Hollenbeck-Cahill Cemetery/Lot Sale
169.20	D. Crowley – reimbursement Amtrak fare to NYC

**\$24,376.49 Total Checks Received**

**Correspondence:**

A request was made by the Chairman of the Planning Board, Bob Wood, to inform the board that there is still a need for two more members on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Chairman Wood asked if anyone had any recommendation for these vacancy’s. No one had any residents in mind.

There should be a separate Planning Board and Zoning Board. At this time, the Planning Board is now acting as the Zoning Commission and can make decision on zoning.

NYS Department of Public Service sent a letter informing all communities that Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation has requested, through NYS Public Service Commission, a proposed increase in its electric and delivery rates. This increase will possibly take effect April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 if approved.

**Monthly Reports:**

The Town Clerk, Water/Sewer Clerk, Highway Superintendent, Building/Zoning and Dog Control reports were distributed and reviewed.

**Water/Sewer/Rentals – Rosemary Fowler**

**Rentals** - Several inquiries were made to rent rooms but no one has committed. A Physician from Wellsville, NY is interested in looking at rooms available and the old Municipal Building to set up a satellite office. Councilman Bottone has offered to meet with him at the end of the week. There are currently 6 available rooms in the building.

The old Municipal Building still has gas, electric and water. This is an expense that must be looked in to.

**Water/Sewer 2** – nothing to report

**Sewer 1** - As of July 7, 2017 \$20,992 has been collected of the \$49,241 amount due for rents, 42.6%, Councilman Jacoby suggested giving Parts r Us a larger fenced in area to conceal the junk that has accumulated in the parking lot. Smith was told at the time the existing fence was installed that all junk must be concealed behind the fence. A discussion was had on why John Smith doesn't sell junk for scrap or dispose of it. Parts r Us business is declining and the board agreed not to purchase more fencing at this time. Supervisor Stoddard said he will go talk to Smith about the junk and code problems. Supervisor Stoddard requested that CEO Helgager make a list of code violations that the Town is responsible for in Smiths garage area and code violations that Smith is responsible for and he will address it with Smith. Councilman Jacoby stated he wondered how many people do not want to rent from us because of the junk from Smiths business. Councilman Bottone asked the question of how much profit we make or is it costing us money after all the utility's we pay for Smith to occupy the garage.

**Highway – Mike Fox**

Work must be done on Nichols Run by the Crowley residence so the water flows across the road and down. An estimate for the pipe projects on all Town roads to be done is \$7,125.40. Mike noted this does not include catch basins.

All catch basins in the Town have been cleaned due to mutual aid with BSA Vac Truck.

An estimate of 140 tons of Rip Rap will be needed for Irving Mills.

An estimate to fix the 2008 International dump truck was \$9,000 to repair the body and \$4,768 for mechanical issues. The Board requested Fox to check into what the value of the '03 truck is today.

Mike gave estimates he received to purchase a new truck:

Ford - \$52,494 Rock City - \$46,866.

According to Fox it is possible to use CHIPS money to purchase a new truck. Also, the Board asked Fox to find out the value of the International. Is it worth sending out for bid or auction? Mike will see what it is worth first.

Councilman Bottone asked if it was feasible for Highway to share the 2014 Ford pickup that is used for Water/Sewer/General. Ricky Dixon said it would be difficult to coordinate a schedule. Councilman Bottone then asked if Ricky Dixon or Jerry Peterson use their personal vehicles for work purposes. Ricky said he rarely did but Jerry uses his quite often. Because Mike Fox claims mileage for using his vehicle Bottone stated that Peterson should also claim his mileage.

**Motion** made by Councilman Bottone, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Jacoby to approve Jerry Peterson to claim mileage for use of his personal vehicle for Town business. All voting yes, motion carried.

### **Dog Control – Dusty Bottone**

Two lost dogs were reported this month. A notice was put on Face Book and both dogs were returned to owners.

### **Code Enforcement – John Helgager**

CEO Helgager stated that he is issuing about 12 property maintenance letters per month. Church Street is one of the biggest problems in Town. Helgager will start inspecting Church Street tomorrow.

### **Guest Ben Slotman - WWT Project:**

Ben reported Ricky Dixon dewatered the first Sewer lagoon and sent a picture of the damaged liner to Ben. Ben took a sample of the liner and made phone calls to access the problem. The determination was that the cost to repair the liners far outweighed replacing the liner. He stated that it would be hard to speculate what caused the damage. Councilman Bottone asked if there was an assessment of the liners before the project began. Ben stated that with the water in the lagoon it would have been impossible to know what shape the existing liners were in. Liners life span are about 15-20 years, the damaged liners are 30-35 years old. The recommendation now is to not remove the damaged liner(s), place the new liners over the old. Also, it will be a cost saving by not having to dispose of the old liners. If a new liner is put over the old, stabilization work will not be necessary. The lagoon will have to be graded and compacted and the new liner will have to be anchored to the berm. Ben has been in contact with Water Saver, a manufacturer of liners. An estimated cost of new liners is \$300,000, this estimate does not include the preparation work. Ben has found cost savings in other areas (specifically the stabilization) of \$275,000. Ben recommends replacement of the liner. This is the best time to do this because the lagoons will be empty and in his opinion the best use of the districts funds. Ben stated that the original estimated cost of the project was about \$700,000. He is not looking to go to \$1,000,00. It is premature to give the cost at this time as he has no definite numbers yet. He should have some rough numbers soon. An update of the Bond Resolution will be again be necessary and a public hearing will have to be held.

### **New Business:**

**Resolution No. 19-2017** Title: Purchase the property located at the corner of Paton Drive and North Street from Cattaraugus County for the fee of \$1.00. Within 120 days of transfer of title the property must be demolished or title will revert to the Town.

The Resolution as stated above is hereby adopted by a majority vote of the Town of Carrollton Board at an official meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2017 and ayes and nays are recorded herein below.

AYES: Supervisor Stoddard, Councilman Fuller, Councilman Bottone, Councilman Rounsville, Councilman Jacoby. NAYS: None. All voting yes, Motion carried.

Note - the County of Cattaraugus will have to pass this resolution before it can be advertised for bid on this property.

**Motion** for the Carrollton Town Court to purchase file cabinets not to exceed a cost of \$450. Motion made by Councilman Bottone, seconded by Councilman Jacoby. All voting yes, Motion carried.

If more money is needed for the cabinets the Court will have to come back to the Board for approval.

**Old Business:** -none-

**Open Forum:**

John Sandy is building a new house on Leonard Run. There is an existing sewer hook-up on the property. A discussion was had if Mr. Sandy must pay for the \$625 Sewer hook-up charge. The board concluded that if there is no sewer hook-up on a property the owner is responsible to dig the sewer line, the Town can do the tap. A charge of \$625 will then be charged to the homeowner. If there is an existing tap the \$625 charge is waived. Therefore, John Sandy does not have to pay the sewer hook-up.

Councilman Bottone asked how difficult it would be to sell sections of the football field for residential development. The ideal situation would be to switch the baseball field and football field. Attorney Firkel said you would have to conform with zoning. The attorney said to switch the properties it would most likely have to get the Supreme Court and Attorney General involved. Councilman Fuller said you may have to contact all heirs involved in the estate of the baseball field. It would probably be a cost of around \$2,000 or so. The Attorney agreed to look in to it.

**Motion** made at 5:45 to go into executive session made by Councilman Fuller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Jacoby pursuant to Section 105F of the open meeting law. All voting yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** made at 6:25 to come out of executive session made by Councilman Rounsville, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Fuller. All voting yes. Motion carried.

**Motion** to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 made by Supervisor Stoddard, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Jacoby. All voting yes. Motion carried.

**The next scheduled board meeting is August 8, 2017 at 4:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Fowler – Deputy Clerk