

Town Board Meeting
November 4, 2019

The Regular meeting of the Town of Cambridge duly called and held on the 4th of November at the Town Hall, the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler

Councilman Douglas Ford

Councilman Brian Harrington

Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot

Councilman Bruce Bailey

Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, Jim Buckley Highway Superintendent, LaVerne Davis Code Enforcement, Kathleen Quinn Planning Board Applicant

The Supervisor called the meeting to order immediately led in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Hearing for 2020 Budget

The Supervisor opened the Public Hearing at 7:35 PM for the 2020 Public Hearing. The Supervisor went over the 2020 Budget line for line asking if anyone had any questions. There were minimal questions on the budget.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:17 PM.

Interview for the Planning Board Position

The Supervisor introduced Kathleen Quinn who was the only applicant that applied for the vacant Planning Board Position. The Supervisor asked if she had any questions, she did ask if the town had Zoning or a Comprehensive Plan. The Planning board Clerk mentioned that they had Subdivision rules and regulations, which she would make a copy for Kathleen. She mentioned that she had a great interest in local government and would like to learn more. Kathleen used to live in the Town of Saratoga where she had a small hobby farm. She became familiar with issues facing rural areas, the tension between agriculture and development. She has currently lived in the Village of Cambridge for 3 years with her family. She questioned of how much time is needed for the Planning Board. The time was attending meetings and also yearly training. The Town Board welcomed Kathleen to the Planning Board.

Auditing of the Bills

General	#185 - #212	\$ 8,787.70
Highway	#124 – 137	\$138,260.89

Supervisor's Report

Resolution #60

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Bailey to approve the Supervisor's report from October 2019.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Transfers

Resolution #61

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford to approve the transfers the first one being in the amount of \$100.00 from A1620.4 to A1620.1 Town Hall, Personal Services (Cleaning). This will cover the October bill and the November bill, and possibly a little of December bill. The second transfer being a transfer of \$249.03 from the Contingent A1990.4 to A3510.4 Dog Control, Contractual. This is to

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cover the remainder of the year as long as there are no additional pickup/housing fees. The third transfer being from B9030.8 Employee Benefits, Social Security in the amount of \$18.98 to B3620.4 Code Inspector, Contractual. This is to cover the October bill. It was suggested that money be transferred monthly as needed.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Approving of the minutes

Resolution#62

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, seconded by Councilman Harrington to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2019 meeting with one amendment. On page 3 under the County report the last sentence should be removed completely.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

The Supervisor wanted everyone to know that Margaret Shaw the Clerk to the Supervisor has her new equipment. The Training for the Workplace Violence still needed to be done by some individuals.

Sale of the Loader

The payloader has been sold on Auctions International for the amount of \$59,100.00.

Resolution #63

Councilman Bailey motioned, Seconded by Councilman Ford to accept the loader bid from Auctions International.

Vote: Ayes -5 Noes – 0

Resolution #64

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilman Bailey to move the money that comes in from the pay loader to the Equipment Reserve.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Resolution #65

Councilman Ford motioned, seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot to give Margaret Shaw the Clerk to the supervisor permission to pay bills ahead of time, such as Retirement bill.

Appointment of Kathleen Quinn to Planning Board

Resolution #66

Councilwoman Wilmot motioned, Seconded by Councilman Ford to appoint Kathleen Quinn to the unexpired term of Leon Barkley which is December 31, 2019.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

The Supervisor said that they will reappoint Kathleen Quinn in January for the 5-year term.

Assessor Report

Supervisor Fedler reported that the Real property Data Collector will be in on Tuesday November 5th. She mentioned how they would be going out and collecting data and also updating the files. The paperwork that LaVerne submitted to them they were very happy with and especially how quickly he gave the files to them. They said that LaVerne was great and very helpful.

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Town Clerk

None

Planning Board

The Planning Board Clerk reported that the next meeting was this Thursday, November 7th.

Town Justice

The Town Clerk read a letter that was received from the Town Justice. It stated that due to the new discovery requirements of Article 245 of the Criminal Procedure Law the Office of the District Attorney has transitioned to a digital case management system, including digitally handling evidence and all discovery material. The DA Jordan has been given access as requested to the internet through the Cambridge – guest WIFI. The Judge has also advised Public Defender Michael Mercure. This was submitted respectfully Richard Molea.

Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Officer LaVerne Davis reported that there are four houses being built in the Town of Cambridge. This would include Kenyon Road, Brownell Lane, Conley Road and Irish Lane.

Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. reported that they have been servicing trucks for winter. They have also put new sander and chains in truck #5 and #8, (drop in sander). They have graded some roads and cleaned ditches and culverts around town. The trees have been cut back on Kenyon dirt and lower King road. They have done their best to keep roads open and cleaned up from trees after the wind storm. The 2013 Doosan Loader was listed on Auctions International and brought \$59,100.00.

Fuel Oil Bid for 2020

The Fuel Oil Bids were opened. Two bids were received one from Doug's Oil and the other from Mirabito. The bid for Doug's Oil, Inc. is \$.19 over their cost for that day of delivery, this would be as follows:

Fuel oil

Cost as of October 29, 2019	\$2.219
Cents Over Cost	<u>\$.190</u>
Total	\$2.409

Diesel

Cost as of October 29, 2019	\$2.189
Cents Over Cost	<u>\$0.190</u>
Total	\$2.208

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The bid for Mirabito Energy Products is +.1850/gallon, this would be as follows:

Product	Posting	Firm Differential	Fluctuating Bid price as of 11/1/2019
Fuel Oil	Buckeye Rack Rensselaer, NY 11/1/2019 \$1.9690/gal.	+.1850/gal.	\$2.1540/gal.
On- Road Diesel Fuel	Buckeye Rack Rensselaer, NY 11/1/2019 \$1.9880/gal.	+.1850/gal.	\$2.1730/gal.
Winterized On-Road Diesel Fuel (with Cold Flow)	Buckeye Rack Rensselaer, NY 11/1/2019 \$2.0205/gal.	+.1850/gal.	\$2.2055/gal.

The Highway Superintendent Jim Buckley Jr. mentioned that they are talking about a half cent difference between the two. He said that they are very happy with the service that they receive from Doug's. They decided to stay with Doug's Oil, Inc., the justification was the Best Value Law that was passed. Doug's Oil is a locally owned business, they have treated the Town well, in the past they helped the Town on numerous occasions. The service is excellent, they have gone out of their way repeatedly with repairs and maintenance.

Resolution #67

Councilman Bailey motioned, seconded by Councilman Ford to award Doug's Oil, Inc. the bid for the 2020 Supplier of Fuel Oil, Kerosene, and Diesel Fuel of the Town of Cambridge due to the bid being the Best Value for the Town.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes – 0

Adopting the 2020 Budget

Resolution #68

Councilman Ford motioned,

Seconded by Councilwoman Wilmot,

Be It Resolved and Determined, that the Town Board of the Town of Cambridge adopts the 2020 Budget as presented at the Public Hearing as the Annual Budget for the Town of Cambridge beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020 with the budget figures of \$1,162,807 for total appropriations less \$326,645, less estimated revenues less \$106,000 unexpended balance resulting in \$730,162 to be raised by taxes.

Be it further Resolved, that the Cambridge Town Board accepts the fire contract with the Village of Cambridge Fire Department \$33,429, the Easton Fire Department \$9,000 and the Buskirk Fire Department \$16,457.

Vote: Ayes – 5 Noes - 0

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Privilege of the Floor

Robbie McIntosh said “Bravo” to the Town Board for a job well done on the 2020 Town Budget.

There being no business before the Town Board, the meeting was moved and carried for adjournment at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt
Town of Cambridge/Town Clerk