

AGENDA
TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 14, 2017

AGENDA

Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

- July 24, 2017 Town Board Work Meeting

Correspondence

- Athens American Legion Post 187
- Discussion on Ambulance Consolidation

Public Comment Period

New Business

- Resolution Authorizing Court Grant Application Submission
- Resolution to Approve Registration of Security Dog Form
- Motion to Accept Resignation of Code Enforcement Officer
- Resolution to Place Advertisement for Code Enforcement Officer/Data Collector or Contractor Services
- Resolution to Transfer Funds Between Highway Fund Accounts
- Resolution to Accept Bid for Ford 350 Vehicle
- Audit of Claims

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Public Comment Period/Community Events

Adjournment

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OPENING OF REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Dellisanti opened the meeting at 7:05 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending Deputy Supervisor Ruso, Councilmembers Irving and VanEtten, Deputy Town Clerk Jordan, Highway Superintendent Jordan, and 4 members of the public who signed the attendance book.

Absent: Councilmember Briody and Town Clerk Finke

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The July 24, 2017 Town Board Regular Meeting submitted by Town Clerk Finke, Moved by Supervisor Dellisanti and was seconded by Councilmember VanEtten.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Any questions or comments? I have one comment. I do recall that we received a check for the Ag Fest.

Councilmember VanEtten: We did.

Supervisor Dellisanti: And the amount in the Minutes said \$500 and I think the check was for \$250.

Councilmember VanEtten: You know I'm not sure of the amount; I never saw the check. Pat gave it to Robbie and I never saw it, but I can find out.

Supervisor Dellisanti: It came from Greene County Bank, but you got the check.

Councilmember VanEtten: I didn't get it; Robbie got it so I'm not sure.

Supervisor Dellisanti: That's the only thing I want you to check for the next meeting.

Councilmember VanEtten: How much it was? Maybe he'll show up tonight.

Supervisor Dellisanti: I'm pretty sure it was \$250, but we'll double-check that for the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Athens American Legion Post 187: "Dear Madame/Sir, On Behalf of the American Legion Post 187, The Greene County Blue Star Mothers, and The On-Ti-Ora chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), we would like to invite you and your family and friends to the Annual Flag Retirement Ritual Ceremony at the American Legion Post 187, in Athens NY, on October 14, 2017, at 9:30 AM. Thank-you in advance for coming and supporting this community event. Please RSVP by 1 October 2017..."

Supervisor Dellisanti: Anyone that's interested, I can make you a copy of this letter.

DISCUSSION ON AMBULANCE CONSOLIDATION

Supervisor Dellisanti: There was a meeting August 1 in the Town of Greenville and the Town of Coxsackie Board, our entire Board, and Greenville's Board were at the meeting. The presentation was made by the Ambulance Task Force by Aiden O'Connor and Ron Rouse. The improvements with this consolidation would give the Town of New Baltimore a Paramedic on every ambulance that we have which is an improvement. Ravena would still take care of the north side of our Town which I'm kind of happy about because they've been very good to us. They do a great job. Coxsackie is going to take care of everything I guess south of Medway Grapeville Firehouse and the change to the employees, presently Coxsackie pays them \$12.50 an hour and Greenville pays them \$12.60 an hour and the new contract would be -- if the Greene County EMS organization takes over the Consolidation -- they would get \$15.25 an hour which is an improvement for them. They're also going to hire six more annual people for the Greenville and Coxsackie ambulance services because we're basically attached to Coxsackie. If we don't go with them, we're not going to have ambulance service for our side of the Town. But with that, if Greene County EMS does take them over, they would have a 403b Program, whatever you put in, Greene County EMS will match. They'll have benefits of vacation, etc. and they would have the high deductible health insurance that everybody else has because of Obamacare presently right now. The numbers are better for the employees, there

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will be more employees. The coverage for our residents will be better. I think it's a good program. Anybody else want to make a comment; you were all there.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: The estimate of costs as it relates to New Baltimore is a wash.

Supervisor Dellisanti: I think our numbers are going to go up a hair this year because of the number of calls that we've had, but that's a formula that Greene County EMS uses for every Town that they use right now and I think our numbers are up because of the Thruway not because of our residents, some of the calls that were taking place. What they do is the formula that they use is x amount of dollars per call and last year we had 94 calls for ambulance service in New Baltimore and right now at our last meeting I think we had 65 so we're getting very close to that 94 by December 31. And if that number goes over 94, then our bill which is about \$19,600 for the year would go up proportionately with the number of calls over the 94 from the previous year which is a very fair way to do it because if calls go below 94 our number would also go down that same amount of money so they do it a very fair way. No one complains about that. I think what they presented to the three Towns was an excellent presentation and they worked three-and-a-half years on this. This just didn't happen overnight, but I was just surprised that we are the only three Towns out of the 14 that wanted to get into this program and I was told at that meeting and, correct me if I'm wrong, but when they started the Greene County EMS Program originally, only a handful of Towns got in at that point and it took all these years – like 17 years – to get the 14 Towns to participate. Right now Catskill does not participate. They have their own ambulance service and they do not want to be part of the Greene County EMS Program as of today. That may change down the road.

Ellie Alfeld: A question. Ravena returns to us a certain amount of money.

Supervisor Dellisanti: They have a formula for that as well; it's all based on their calls as well.

Ellie Alfeld: Is this going to stay the same as Coxsackie had it before where we get no...

Supervisor Dellisanti: No reimbursement.

Ellie Alfeld: Whatever you want to call it.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Yes, that's true. That's not going to change. As Jeff says, our numbers are going to remain basically flat which is a good thing and we're going to get better service for it. At our next meeting I'm going to present the Board with a letter to the Greene County EMS Organization to ask them if they would accept the Town of New Baltimore and Greeneville and Coxsackie as a consolidation service for the western part of the County.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

NEW BUSINESS

TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE

RESOLUTION 140-2017
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COURT GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION

WHEREAS the New Baltimore Justice Court wishes to submit a grant application seeking funding for improvements to the Town of New Baltimore Justice Court including the purchase of exterior cameras, a payment window with a counter for the court office, a larger safe, a wireless printer for the courtroom, 5 drawer filing cabinets, a larger clock for the court room, carpeting for the Court office and any other improvements the court deems necessary to improve the court and

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WHEREAS authorization is needed from the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore for grant application preparation and submission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore hereby grants authorization for the Justice Court to complete and submit the required grant application.

Motion by Supervisor Dellisanti seconded by Councilmember VanEtten

Ellie Alfeld: Question.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Any questions or comments from the Board first?

Ellie Alfeld: Did I understand they said they're going to be looking for carpeting in the Courtroom?

Supervisor Dellisanti: No.

Councilmember VanEtten: No, a bigger clock.

Supervisor Dellisanti: No, carpeting in their office area.

Ellie Alfeld: Carpeting in their offices, okay, thank you.

Councilmember VanEtten: Just a larger clock for out here.

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Briody

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RESOLUTION 141-2017

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGISTRATION OF SECURITY DOG FORM

WHEREAS §42-6 of the Town Code requires the registration of all security dogs with the Town Clerk and notification to the Animal Control Officer.

RESOLVED the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore approves the "Registration of Security Dog" Form for residents harboring a security dog.

Motion by Supervisor Dellisanti seconded by Deputy Supervisor Ruso

Supervisor Dellisanti: Attached you'll see the form that has been approved by the Town Attorney. Any other questions or comments?

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Briody

Supervisor Dellisanti: Before you I have a resignation from our Code Enforcement Officer. I'd like to make a Motion to accept the resignation of our present Code Enforcement Officer seconded by Councilmember VanEtten. I'd just like to read the last paragraph of his letter, "Thank you for the support and the opportunities that have been provided me during my

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employment. I also have enjoyed working with all the other Town Office Departments, and appreciated their help and support. Sincerely, Albert Gasparini” A good man, Albert.

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**RESOLUTION TO PLACE ADVERTISEMENT FOR CODE ENFORCMEENT
OFFICER/DATA COLLECTOR OR CONTRACTOR**

WHEREAS an opening exists for a part-time Code Enforcement Officer and the Town Board approves advertisement for that position.

RESOLVED the wording for the advertisement has been approved by the Attorney for the Town and following approval from the Town Board, the advertisement will be submitted to the Town Clerk for publication in *The Daily Mail* for one week.

The Town of New Baltimore seeks applicants for a part-time Code Enforcement Officer/Data Collector or Contractor who currently has or will complete Department of State Code Certification. Please send letter of interest or resume by August 23, 2017 outlining experience to Councilmember Shelly VanEtten, 3809 County Route 51, Hannacroix, NY 12087 or call 518-756-3517 for information.

Motion by Supervisor Dellisanti seconded by Deputy Supervisor Ruso

Robert Krug: I have one question and actually it probably pertains more to the last resolution, are we going to have a Code Enforcement Officer in the interim?

Supervisor Dellisanti: Yes, he’s going to remain here until the middle of September. We can also contract out with someone if we had to in the interim, but he said he would stay on until like September 12 I think it is.

Robert Krug: I didn’t mean someone filling in for him once when he was on vacation from Ravena (unable to understand).

Supervisor Dellisanti: We will have it covered until the middle of September.

Robert Krug: And if we don’t have a new Code Enforcement Officer?

Supervisor Dellisanti: We’ll get a Contractor in here or we’ll hire somebody from another Town. Thank you. Any other questions?

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Briody

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RESOLUTION 143-2017
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**RESOLUTION TO MAKE LINE ADJUSTMENTS BETWEEN
HIGHWAY FUND ACCOUNTS**

WHEREAS the Highway Department has completed paving in the Town of New Baltimore and budget line adjustments are necessary.

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RESOLVED that \$16,287 be transferred from line DA5110.4 to DA5112.4 and increase line CA3501 by \$60,153 and increase line DA5112.4 by \$60,153.

Motion by Supervisor Dellisanti seconded by Deputy Supervisor Ruso

Supervisor Dellisanti: If you look at the attached page from our Accountant, you'll see what she has requested is exactly the same numbers as I just read. That basically is for the CHIPS money that we had to use from different areas. The numbers work out to be exactly the same and as long as they send us the check back that you're looking for.

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Briody, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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RESOLUTION 144-2017
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RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BID FOR FORD F350 VEHICLE

WHEREAS the Town of New Baltimore advertised for bids in The Daily Mail for an F350 Ford Vehicle and received one qualified bid which were opened at the bid opening at the Town of New Baltimore Work Meeting on July 24, 2017.

RESOLVED the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore accepts the bid from Crossroads Ford for \$32,227.

Motion by Supervisor Dellisanti seconded by Councilmember VanEtten

Supervisor Dellisanti: Questions and comments, I have a couple of comments to make. I met with Denis the other day and there were 24 items that Denis had requested in this truck and he went through the entire bid list and he was satisfied with everything that was on the bid. He also said that the \$32,000 figure was a very good number for this truck. If you and I went to buy one, it would be over \$50,000 to get this truck. So it is a good deal. The other thing is we also discussed the budget line that this is going to come out of and it's DA51104, the \$180,000 line.

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Correct.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Right now you've only spent 29% of that money, so that's a perfect spot for it to come out of. Any other questions or comments?

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: It largely satisfies my concern because this is an unbudgeted expense.

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Yes.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: And I remember some conversations a number of months ago that we were getting some extra cash or dollars in from the State for Superstorm Stella was it?

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Yes

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: And that was unbudgeted revenue so I thought okay unbudgeted expense, unbudgeted revenue, but I saw last month that we've spent that money, but we're transferring around.

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Highway Superintendent Jordan: Well you have to spend it because you can't send the bill in for something you didn't spend and you have to get the money from the State first before we can do anything.

Supervisor Dellisanti: To get reimbursed.

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Correct. You have to show the cancelled checks, everything.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: So as long as we're taking it out of your normal...

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Yes.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: Contractual expense account, we're going to be good there?

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Yes, we are. We're fine.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Good.

Highway Superintendent Jordan: As long as the State pays, we're fine.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: That's a relief.

Highway Superintendent Jordan: I have no control over that.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Well, we were told that the \$142,000 is in the mail and it's supposed to be here by September 15 so as long as we get it before the end of the year, I'll be very happy.

Councilmember VanEtten: We actually got that.

Ellie Alfeld: It only took a year-and-a-half.

Councilmember VanEtten: It took two years, but that was because of the State budget. It was froze.

Ellie Alfeld: Oh, excuse me. Two years instead of a year-and-a-half.

Councilmember VanEtten: But it wasn't really the Senator's fault; the State Budget was frozen and they wouldn't release any grant money so it was kind of all of their faults.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: We haven't voted on it yet have we?

Supervisor Dellisanti: No, we have not. Any other questions or comments on this, hearing none.

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Briody, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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RESOLUTION 145-2017
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RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS

WHEREAS the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review, and

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WHEREAS the Town Board has audited claims 2017-08-01 to 2017-08-43, it is

REVOLVED that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims 2017-08-01 to 2017-08-43.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk will prepare an abstract and hold it for public review until September 30, 2017.

Motion by Supervisor Dellisanti seconded by Councilmember VanEtten

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Briody

General \$9,095.06, Highway \$2,943.04, Sewer 1 \$54,601.28, Sewer 2 \$31.07, Lighting 1 \$1,691.13, Lighting 2 \$142.68, Total \$68,504.26

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Ellie Alfeld: I'd like to make one comment concerning the Townwide Yard Sale, I'm hoping that when the forms or maps or whatever are picked up that people will be encouraged after the Yard Sale don't let the stuff stay on the roadside for weeks.

Supervisor Dellisanti: We can do that.

Ellie Alfeld: We did it last year and it seemed to work.

Supervisor Dellisanti: It worked. Anything else to come before the Board?

Robert Krug: In follow up with the Town Yard Sale Day, down in the hamlet where we live there's a really tough issue for parking and I didn't know whether or not the Town had any type of Code or any type of law on the books that has any restriction for parking?

Councilmember VanEtten: Not that I know of.

Supervisor Dellisanti: I think those roads are just labeled whether there's no parking or not.

Ellie Alfeld: Only during snowstorms.

Supervisor Dellisanti: And I don't think anyone's going to bother anybody on the Townwide Yard Sale.

Robert Krug: I'm not so much concerned about residential traffic as with people who leave construction or boats or trailers and stuff like that parked there blocking the flow of traffic.

Councilmember VanEtten: We don't really have anything on the books.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: Although I would caution anybody to not park on 144, certainly not intruding into traffic. Mostly other roads no trouble.

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Robert Krug: There's a big problem on Main Street in the hamlet and it gets down to just one lane for a long distance and people have to stop and you can't see around from a particular neighbor's boat that he has parked there and he also has on occasion had his work trailers which are good size parked there obstructing.

Councilmember VanEtten: We don't have any regulations.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: It's almost there permanent seems like.

Councilmember VanEtten: And we have no regulations on the books to address this.

Supervisor Dellisanti: There's a boat on a trailer down there?

Robert Krug: Well, there's a boat on a trailer and it's...

Supervisor Dellisanti: It just stays there?

Robert Krug: Just stays there. It's over the limit for the trailer. I mean there's like about two inches of clearance on the bottom of the axle.

Councilmember VanEtten: Have you tried approaching the neighbors or whoever?

Robert Krug: I've tried; I can't approach him. We don't see eye to eye and I don't want to go through that conflict.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: Isn't that a County, that's 62 isn't it?

Councilmember VanEtten: Yes, it's a County road. So we would have no regulation

Robert Krug: In fact the other day he didn't even have a license on the trailer.

Ellie Alfeld: Well, that's for the Sheriff's Department.

Robert Krug: He has it on today, but I mean for awhile he hasn't had it on.

Ellie Alfeld: But if it's even on the highway, if it's on the hard capped of the highway, then it becomes....

Councilmember VanEtten: Right, you'd have to call the Sheriff.

Supervisor Dellisanti: That is a County road right?

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Oh, yes. It certainly is.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: But the enforcement is the same from the Sheriff, enforcement would be the same regardless of what road.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Yes, but we can notify him of that.

Deputy Supervisor Ruso: Is there anything that the County would have that would regulate parking at all you would think of on a County road?

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Not that I'm aware of.

Councilmember VanEtten: I don't think there really is.

Highway Superintendent Jordan: Not that I'm aware of.

Robert Krug: I spoke with the County Sheriff's Department any they've said we'll research it and I never heard back. State Troopers said the same thing. I went to New York State Department of Motor Vehicle; they have nothing on the State. They say that's a County issue

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or a Town issue; it's not a State issue. It could be a Department of Transportation issue because the County has mentioned to me several times they were going to ticket him during the winter when he leaves certain vehicles out there and even when they were paving at one time they had an issue trying to locate him to move it. It's a constant issue down there.

Supervisor Dellisanti: Don't leave after the meeting; I'd like to talk to you for a second. Okay, any other business to come before the Town? Hearing none.

On a Motion by Councilmember VanEtten seconded by Councilmember Irving, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

AYES: Dellisanti, Ruso, Irving, VanEtten

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Briody

Supervisor Dellisanti: This meeting is officially closed. Thank you all for coming tonight.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara M. Finke, Town Clerk