

MONTHLY MEETING; TOWN OF LEON; March 8, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Leon, Cattaraugus County, New York was held at the Town Hall, 12195 Leon-New Albion Road, Conewango Valley, NY on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017.

PRESENT: Fred Filock --- Supervisor  
Lynn Milliman --- Councilman  
Doug Keppel --- Councilman  
Jackie Ellis --- Councilwoman  
Sheila Fiebelkorn --- Clerk  
Jeff Holler --- Code Enforcement Officer  
Amanda Brainard --- Cemetery Records Keeper

Supervisor F. Filock called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

John Walgus, a representative from Western New York Rail Corridor Project presented information and a handout regarding proposed repair to the railroad from Collins, NY to Cherry Creek, NY and from South Dayton, NY to Cherry Creek, NY. They are applying for grants to repair the railroad and are asking for written support from the Town Board. Repair to the railroad would increase tourism, mobility and economic development the surrounding areas.

Resolution 24-2017

**APPROVAL OF LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE WESTERN NEW YORK RAIL CORRIDOR PROJECT**

On a motion from Councilwoman J. Ellis, seconded by Councilman D. Keppel, the following was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 L. Milliman, D. Keppel, J. Ellis, F. Filock  
Nays 0

We resolve that letters of support will be sent to Matthew J. Driscoll, Commissioner of NYS DOT, Raymond F. Hessinger, P.E., Freight and Passenger Rail Bureau of NYS DOT, The Honorable Catharine Young, District Office, Corey Wiktor, Executive Director, County of Cattaraugus Industrial Development Agency and Robert O. Dingman, Jr., President of New York & Lake Erie Railroad.

Amanda Brainard, Cemetery Records Keeper, and the Business Development Center at Jamestown Community College are researching information to begin a non-profit organization for historical cemetery preservation to request funding for cemetery preservation in New York State. The Town of Leon would like to use this proposed funding to preserve Riga Road Cemetery.

Representatives from the Leon Historical Society provided information including a handout to discuss the Leon Bicentennial Celebration they are planning for 2018. They discussed some ideas to improve Riga Road Cemetery.

Resolution 25-2017

**STANDARD WORK DAY FOR APPOINTED AND ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE NYS RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

On a motion by Councilman L. Milliman, seconded by Councilwoman J. Ellis, the following was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 L. Milliman, D. Keppel, J. Ellis, F. Filock  
Nays 0

We have made a resolution and affidavit of posting for all appointed and elected officials, who are members of the NYS Retirement System to include:

**Fredrick Filock/Town Supervisor**, 8 hour work day, term expires 12/31/17, has submitted record of work activities and works 7.6 days per month.

**Joel Fiebelkorn/Highway Superintendent**, 8 hour work day, term expires 12/31/19, has submitted record of work activities and works 27.66 days per month.

**Sheila Fiebelkorn/Town Clerk**, 8 hour work day, term expires 12/31/17, has submitted record of work activities and works 4.13 days per month.

**Ashley Milliman/Justice**, 8 hour work day, term expires 12/31/20, has submitted record of work activities and works 1.5 days per month.

Resolution 26-2017

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Councilwoman J. Ellis, seconded by Councilman D. Keppel, the following was

ADOPTED      Ayes 4              L. Milliman, D. Keppel, J. Ellis, F. Filock

Nays 0

We resolve that the February 2017 monthly meeting minutes be accepted as submitted.

Resolution 27-2017

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

On a motion by Councilman L. Milliman, seconded by Councilwoman J. Ellis, the following was

ADOPTED      Ayes 4              L. Milliman, D. Keppel, J. Ellis, F. Filock

Nays 0

Resolved that the February 2017 Financial Report be accepted as submitted.

Resolution 28-2017

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

On a motion by Councilman D. Keppel, seconded by Councilwoman J. Ellis, the following was

ADOPTED      Ayes 4              L. Milliman, D. Keppel, J. Ellis, F. Filock

Nays 0

Resolved that the bills be paid as follows:

General \$ 7,904.83      Highway \$ 7,796.29      Light District \$ 227.33      Highway FEMA \$ 3,933.00

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

0 permits, 8 calls, 2 inspections. FOIL request has been completed and submitted.

**CLERK REPORT**

\$16.00 collected for 2 dog licenses. Check totaling \$14.00 for local shares was given to the Town Supervisor. Town and County tax collection continues. A check for the February interest for the Town and County taxes was given the Town supervisor in the amount of \$1080.30.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Highway superintendent excused from meeting. Report given by Town Supervisor.

Funds have been received by insurance company for repair of damaged International plow truck.

Discussed issue of overweight vehicles being driven on wet/soft town roads. Applications have started to be received for vacant town employee position. These will be reviewed by Highway Superintendent.

## **SUPERVISORS REPORT**

Discussed retirement of a highway employee, last day will be 3/31/17. Randy Glenn, vehicle equipment insurance agent, will be present at next regular monthly meeting on April 12, 2017. FEMA update – payment should be coming this month for Eldredge Road project. Monkey Run and Alderbottom FEMA projects will be closed out. Union update – town attorney has been discussing the Town Board’s offer to the union representative.

Resolution 29-2017

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Councilman L. Milliman, seconded by Councilwoman J. Ellis, the following was

ADOPTED      Ayes 4    J. Ellis, D. Keppel, F. Filock, L. Milliman

Nays 0

We resolve to enter into executive session to discuss employee issues with Town Board and town employee present at 8:25 PM. Return to regular meeting at 9:00 PM.

Resolution 30-2017

### **MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilman D. Keppel, seconded by Councilwoman J. Ellis, the following was

ADOPTED      Ayes 4    J. Ellis, D. Keppel, F. Filock, L. Milliman

Nays 0

Resolved that the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

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Sheila Fiebelkorn, Leon Town Clerk