

Minutes May 3, 2016

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Durham held May 3, 2016 at the Town Hall commencing at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:** William Carr, Supervisor  
Shawn Marriott, Deputy Supervisor  
Joan Breslin, Councilmember  
Jerry Cunningham, Councilmember  
Nick Nahas, Councilmember

**Recording Secretary:** Patricia Fetty, Deputy Town Clerk

**Others Present:** Joe van Holsteyn-Highway Superintendent  
David Cunningham-Building Inspector  
Len Asaro-Code Enforcement Officer  
Cindy Moore- Bookkeeper  
John Van Tassel – Animal Control Officer  
Thomas Sutton-Police Sgt.  
Lois Rockefeller-Building & Code Clerk  
Tal Rappleyea-Attorney (7:50)  
Aiden O'Connor – Legislator  
22 community members

The meeting called to order at 7:30 with the pledge to the flag.

Supervisor Carr said Attorney Rappleyea would be late.

Supervisor Carr received a call from Bohler Engineering last week that Fed-Ex would be delivering a package. They are looking to put a store at the corner of Brown Road and Rt. 145 and will be attending the May 17 meeting.

Supervisor Carr read a letter from the court explaining that they had been looking into a walk-thru metal detector. The Town of Lexington has one, but does not use. The paperwork has been started to have the Town of Lexington give us their metal detector. The Durham police would have to oversee the detector. Supervisor Carr thought we should talk to Attorney Rappleyea and Sgt. Sutton and get their opinion. Councilmember Marriott said it would be similar to the one at the County office building and he will talk to our attorney and Sgt. Sutton about it.

Opening day for the little league is Sat. May 7 at Cairo Town Park. Supervisor Carr will be throwing out one of the first pitches. There will be bike and helmet raffles, bounce house, local law enforcement and many other free booths.

The Mass Gathering for Grey Fox was received and tabled till next meeting.

Supervisor Carr explained that he had called Mid-Hudson Cable four weeks ago. They still have not returned his call. He will try again.

Supervisor Carr attended the supervisor meeting last Friday; a general info meeting. Good energy has received tentative approval from the state, which will simplify how they approach the towns. Now, they will not have to reach out to the towns for support.

Highway Superintendent van Holsteyn presented the board with specs and quotes to replace the 2012 pickup truck that is used to maintain the parks and cemeteries. He conferred with Tom Hoyt, Windham Highway Superintendent, who had recently obtained a truck using the piggyback law through Chautauqua County. After comparing to NYS contract and inquiring with dealerships in Albany, Greene, Columbia and Dutchess counties he determined the best quote is under the Chautauqua County contract. Hwy Superintendent van Holsteyn received two bids under the Chautauqua County contract each from VanBontel Ford/Chevrolet of East Rochester.

2016 Ford F-150 XL Regular Cab 4wd 8' box	\$25,235.73
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2016 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 WT Regular Cab 4wd 8' box	\$25,406.23
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Hwy. Superintendent van Holsteyn reviewed the two quotes and recommends purchasing the 2016 Chevrolet Silverado as the truck has the 5.3L V-8 engine, split bench seat, heated mirrors and high intensity headlights, features that will be better suited for the needs of the intended use of the truck. He would use the unexpended funds from his 2015 budget to purchase the truck.

**Councilmember Cunningham motioned to approve the purchase of the 2016 Chevrolet Silverado for \$25,406.23 as listed in the Chautauqua County Contract under the Piggyback law. Motion seconded by Councilmember Nahas all in favor motion carried.** (5-years; Carr, Breslin, Cunningham, Nahas, Marriott)

Supervisor Carr discussed the accident in front of the Cairo Durham High School this morning. The state did make modifications to the speed limit after a fatality a few years ago. Supervisor Carr suggested meeting with the Town of Cairo Town Board and Cairo Durham School Board to see if we couldn't do something like other schools. Councilmember Marriott said that the state has already checked the road and the probably will not lower the speed limit. Supervisor Carr will contact the Town of Cairo Supervisor and Cairo Durham School Superintendent and see what can be done. Joanne Rascoe asked if police couldn't be there in the morning and the evening.

The Greene County Emergency Medical Systems, Inc. contract needed to be signed. Every fall GCEMS send the estimated amount and we put it in our budget. Legislator O'Connor said it was a 0% increase in the last 2 years. **Councilmember Nahas made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Breslin to approve the GCEMS contract. All were in favor and the motion passed.** (5-years Carr, Breslin, Cunningham, Nahas, Marriott)

Code Enforcement Officer Asaro brought before the board a letter he had drafted for an unsafe building; the Wayside. He would like to bring the owner in May 17 for a hearing to explain what he is going to do about the burned out building. He would like permission to serve the

owner.

**Councilmember Marriott made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Nahas to authorize code enforcement officer Asaro, under the safe building law, to have the property owner of 22.00-1-37, the Wayside, to remove the fire debris from the property. All were in favor and the motion passed.** (5-years Carr, Breslin, Cunningham, Nahas, Marriott)

Legislator O'Connor said that the drug box has been delivered and the needle kiosk is on its way. The heroin addiction seminar is May 24 at 6:30-8:30. The Greene County Legislators have joined the Relay for Life which is May 21 from 11am to 11pm in Greenville Town Park. The Greene County Honor a Vet Memorial Ceremony will be held on May 21 at 10 am in front of the court house. Also, the two AED's will be placed within the community one at the Milk Run and the other at Doreen's/Post Office. Legislator O'Connor said he has put two people from the community, Patty Handel and Jan Perlin to be on the committee for the new jail. Also, he said he could contact Warren Hart and ask to come to a town board meeting and speak about Mid- Hudson.

Doug Thomsen said he heard that they wanted to put a kitchen in the new jail for the department of the aging. Legislator O'Connor said that it probably won't happen and having a dispatch there has been ruled out.

Sgt. Sutton asked for permission to look at an electronic speed sign to be used in the town as a visual aid for drivers with their compliance to the speed limit.

Sgt. Sutton asked Sweet Ridge Security for an estimate three weeks ago for cameras, but has not heard. He did receive an estimate from Swann for an eight camera set up for approximately \$600. We would have to set the system up ourselves. East Durham Fire Company uses this camera system. The cameras record to a computer.

**Councilmember Nahas made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Cunningham for Sgt. Sutton to look at the sign and bid no more than \$1000. All were in favor and the motion carried.** (5-years Carr, Breslin, Cunningham, Nahas, Marriott)

**Councilmember Cunningham made a motion and approved by Councilmember Breslin to approve the purchase of the camera system with a budget of \$600. All were in favor and the motion carried.** (5-years Carr, Breslin, Cunningham, Nahas, Marriott)

Councilmember Breslin spoke to the Cairo Durham principal, about the HOPE grant. It is a grant to help families to do healthy activities together. The principal would like to have a representative on the committee, to bring ideas form the community for ideas. Councilmember Breslin will talk with Attorney Rappleyea to look over the details. She is looking for ideas; hiking paths, winter festival, playground equipment, fitness stations.

Councilmember Cunningham made a motion and seconded by Councilmember Nahas to adjourn at meeting at 8:33. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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Respectfully Submitted;

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Patricia Fetty, Deputy Clerk/Collector