

Town of Ellisburg
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2022

Members of the board present: Doug Shelmidine, Mike Hubbard, Don Goodnough, Joel Bovee, Kurt Gehrke

Member of the board absent:

Others present: Debbie Payne, Cindy Shaw, Bob Corron

Public: (per sign in sheet): Lynn Shaw, Terrance McGraw, Frank and Cheri Spallane, Steve Rogers

Regular Meeting called to order in the meeting room of the Town Hall at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Shelmidine.

Don Goodnough made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting with corrections on the vote for the Sandy Pond Channel Maintenance Association, Kurt Gehrke seconded, and all board members present voted in favor –Shelmidine, Goodnough, Hubbard, Bovee, Gehrke (5-ayes)

Supervisor, Town Clerk and Tax Collector monthly reports were submitted to the board for review.

Floor opened to the public:

Frank Spallane addressed the board inquiring about the water funding applications and progress of study and questionnaires.

Steve Rogers addressed the board about his property and the number of EDUs on it.

With no further public comment, floor closed.

RESOLUTION # 8

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Ellisburg has reviewed and audited the books for the Town Supervisor for the year 2021. The same has been found to be in order.

Dated: April 4, 2022

Introduced By: Joel Bovee

Seconded By: Donald Goodnough

Voting Aye: Gehrke, Bovee, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough

Voting Nay:

Abstained:

Absent:

Mike Hubbard gave the board an update on Creg Systems, Frontier and Spectrum.

Board discussed the website development.

Mike Hubbard made a motion to move forward using North Shore Solutions to build a website for the Town. Kurt Gehrke seconded and all members present voted in favor- Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

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Board discussed changing the elected officials on a 2-year term to a 4-year term. Kurt Gehrke made a motion to work with the Attorney to draft a resolution to change 2 year terms to 4 year terms of the elected officials. Mike Hubbard seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Donald Goodnough made a motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign a new contract with Jefferson County for Dog Control. Joel Bovee seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Supervisor advised the board the status of the current Town Attorney. After discussion, Supervisor Shelmidine will contact James Burrows of Kendall, Walton & Burrows about providing legal services for the Town.

Town Board acting as water board discussed Steve Rogers property. Mr. Rogers purchased a parcel adjacent to his that had an EDU on it. He subsequently combined that parcel with his making it one parcel. The new parcel had two EDUs on the tax bill because of the combining of parcels.

Mike Hubbard made a motion to reduce the number of EDUs on Mr. Rogers' property to one (1) moving forward. Kurt Gehrke seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Town Board reviewed a list of overdue water accounts.

Mike Hubbard made a motion to send shut-off letters to the overdue accounts. Kurt Gehrke seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Bob Corron, Highway Superintendent gave the board a list of paving projects in order of priority and costs of materials. They will be starting as soon as the County is available. Kurt Gehrke made a motion for the Highway Superintendent to start paving on Log London Road, Grove Street and Lemay Road. Mike Hubbard seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Discussion was held pertaining to the price of gravel sold by the Town to the County. Kurt Gehrke made a motion to raise the cost of gravel sold to the County by \$1.00/yard.

Screened gravel loaded	\$10.50/yard
Screened gravel not loaded	9.50/yard
Fill loaded	8.00/yard
Fill not loaded	7.00/yard
Oversize loaded	7.00/yard
Oversize not loaded	6.00/yard

Mike Hubbard seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

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Donald Goodnough made a motion for the Highway Superintendent to order a new 10-wheeler truck to be delivered in 2023. Joel Bovee seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Mike Hubbard made a motion to accept \$3500 from the Village of Ellisburg to purchase a 2006 Dodge truck from the Town. Kurt Gehrke seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

James Matthews will be going to Water recertification classes. Cost is \$300.00.

Supervisor advised that the proposed southern water district got a good response from the residents on the questionnaires that were sent out. Also gave updates on the progress from Bernier, Carr and Associates on the study.

Supervisor gave a report on the options presented by Bernier, Carr and Associates on replacement of water line on Route 289.

Kurt Gehrke made a motion to move forward on 1350' of replacement water line on County Route 289 in Water District #2 that has had numerous leaks, \$9000- BCA will put out to bid. Mike Hubbard seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Cindy Shaw, Assessor/Zoning gave the board a report on correspondences received from the State and various Town Laws (1978, 1987, 1994) pertaining to Flood Plain areas and building. There will be a meeting at the Town Hall on May 2 @ 10:00am with representatives from the State Flood Plain Management.

Cindy also discussed with the board Solar Energy Pilots and the need for a possible moratorium on further projects until the Solar Law can be reviewed and amended if needed.

Joel Bovee made a motion to place a 6 month moratorium on applications for commercial installation of Solar projects effective April 8, 2022. Donald Goodnough seconded and all members present voted in favor-Gehrke, Hubbard, Shelmidine, Goodnough, Bovee (5-ayes)

Cindy and the Board of Appeals members will be working on reviewing and possibly updating the Towns Zoning Ordinances/Laws.

Supervisor Shelmidine advised that he received an email from Good Energy LP for municipal energy costs. He will research this further.

The board audited and signed the prepared vouchers for:

Abstract No. 2022-4

Voucher # 143-206

\$ 373137.88

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With nothing further, Councilman Hubbard made a motion to adjourn at 8:30pm.
Seconded by Councilman Bovee, all those present voting in favor-Shelmidine, Hubbard,
Goodnough, Bovee, Gehrke (5 ayes)

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Payne

Debbie Payne, Town Clerk