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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING BURTON HALL 7:00P.M.

PRESENT: Supervisor Shaw
Councilwoman Lundberg
Councilman Moy
Councilman Brownell
Councilman Herrick

RECORDING SECRETARY: Sharon Archambeault

OTHERS PRESENT: The Journal Press Reporter; Cait Johnson, The Eagle Reporter: Christine Eldred, Peter Simoneau, Clerk to Supervisor; Michelle Skiff

Supervisor Shaw called the meeting to order at 7:08p.m.
Councilman Herrick led the salute to the flag.

RESOLUTION#14-18
APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2018

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Moy, second by Councilman Herrick to approve the minutes of February 5, 2018 as written.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

PUBLIC HEARING 7:12P.M.

OPT OUT OF ALTERNATIVE SOLAR ENERGY

The Legal Notice was read by the Town Clerk as follows:

NOTICE is hereby given, that pursuant to resolution of the Town Board of the Town of Easton, Washington County, New York that a Public Hearing will be held at Burton Hall, North Easton, N.Y. on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:10p.m. on the proposed local law to Opt Out of Alternative Energy from Real Property Tax Law pursuant to Section 487(8)(a) providing that no exemption under Section 487 shall be applicable for the purpose of County taxation with respect to any micro-hydroelectric energy system, fuel cell electric generating system, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment system, or electric energy storage equipment or electric energy storage. All persons interested will be heard at such time and place. By order of the Easton Town Board.

There was no comment from the public, therefore Public Comment is closed at 7:15p.m.

RESOLUTION#15-18
ADOPT LOCAL LAW #1-2018

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Moy, second by Councilman Herrick to adopt Local Law #1-2018 to Opt Out of Section 487(8)(a) Of The NYS Real Property Tax Law Concerning Tax Exemptions for any micro-hydroelectric energy system, fuel cell electric generating system,

micro-combined heat and power generating equipment system or electric energy storage equipment or electric energy storage in the Town of Easton.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Shaw received correspondence from NYMIR regarding the Commercial Crime Policy Update Insurance Regulation 209. The new regulation means that certain commercial crime policy provisions excluding coverage for loss caused by an employee who has been convicted of a criminal offense, and the employer knew of that conviction prior to a loss, have been amended.

Supervisor Shaw received that Annual report from the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor.

Supervisor Shaw received correspondence from NYS Agriculture and Markets regarding the Dog Control Officer's Shelter inspection. The inspection was "Unsatisfactory". The town clerk will call Nancy Quell to see if the repairs have been made.

Supervisor Shaw received an invitation for anyone interested in attending the 25th. Anniversary celebration for NYMIR at the Sagamore in Bolton Landing.

The town clerk read the report of the Historian/Archivist; Meghan Phalen as follows:

Meghan met with Drew Alberti in regard to finalizing kiosk, researched location of farm where Susan B. Anthony taught school in Easton and ran deed searches at the County Archivist for map information, began the process of sorting through boxes in the office, scheduled a luncheon with the Washington County Office of the Aging to collect oral histories from Easton residents to be held on March 23. I plan to hold another gathering of oral histories during fair week at the fairgrounds on Senior Day. Received a request for information regarding a family and am still researching. FUTURE PLANS: Further research on Corliss family, get office organized, open a Facebook page for sharing and collecting information and items in regards to Easton history, meet with the Friends of the Easton library regarding a display at the library.

PUBLIC COMMENT- OPEN 8:23P.M. NONE CLOSED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INSURANCE: Chair: Bill Herrick/Aindrea Lundberg- Councilman Herrick reported that he has spoke with Mr. Look from NYMIR and they will meet with Councilman Moy to discuss insurance matters.

TOWN POLICIES: Chair: Aindrea Lundberg/Randy Moy- Councilwoman Lundberg gave updated copies of the Procurement Policy, Electronic Communication, Hiring Process and Procedures, Employment Requisition, Safe Driving Policy and Workplace Violence Policy. The board will review these policies and make any changes at the next regular meeting in April.

BUILDING & GROUNDS:Chair: Scott Brownell/Bill Herrick- Councilman Brownell reported that Architecture Keith Buff has sent a preliminary design for the Burton Hall Project. The draft

submission will be issued at the end of March for owner review and comment and then a final submission for permit will be sued at the end of April. During this design phase, interface with SHPO will be occurring to get their sign off.

HIGHWAY: Chair: Randy Moy/Scott Brownell- Councilman Moy reported that Highway Superintendent; Rich Fox, who is absent, had asked Mr. Barnett from Barnett fuels to attend the meeting regarding delivery of fuel. Councilman reported that Main Care has let the highway garage run out of diesel fuel a few times. After discussion the board agreed to table the discussion until the April meeting when Rich Fox will be at the meeting.

Councilman Moy reported that highway employee; John Andrew has submitted his letter of retirement.

Councilman Moy reported that there has been a few problems with the trucks after the snowstorms. The loader has been fixed.

Supervisor Shaw asked Councilman Moy if the power has been shut off at the storage building at the north end.

Councilman Moy said no it has not been shut off.

RESOLUTION#16-18

TURN OFF POWER AT STORAGE BARN

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Moy, second by Councilwoman Lundberg to have the power turned off at the storage barn at the north end.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

Councilman Moy reported that they would like to repair a couple more floors in the garage.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

SUPERVISOR: Supervisor Shaw reported that the AUD has been filed with the town clerk.

TOWN CLERK: Sharon Archambeault reported that she collected \$495.00 for the month of February. A check for \$14.00 was submitted to NYS Agriculture & Market for the spay/neuter program. The balance of \$481.00 was submitted to the Town Supervisor. A total of \$2,357,280.41 has been collected for the 2018 taxes. Outstanding taxes to be collected is \$423,128.92.

HIGHWAY: Superintendent; Rich Fox was absent- **NO REPORT**

BUILDING INSPECTOR: LaVerne Davis was absent. LaVerne submitted his report for February. LaVerne traveled 69 miles and collected \$195.00 for building permits.

PLANNING BOARD: **NO REPORT**

OLD BUSINESS

HANDICAP BATHROOM

Supervisor Shaw asked the board if they want to continue with the handicap bathroom. Councilwoman Lundberg stated that based on the schedule of the Burton Hall Project I would like to wait and finish the bathroom after the building has been raised and put back on the foundation.

After discussion about the appointment of the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer regarding the pay, the board agreed to table the discussion until the April meeting. Supervisor Shaw stated that Building Inspector; LaVerne Davis would like to purchase a laptop for his job.

Supervisor Shaw said he would research the Building Inspector program.

RESOLUTION#17-18

PURCHASE LAPTOP COMPUTER FOR BUILDING INSPECTOR

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilman Brownell, second by Councilman Herrick to approve the purchase of a laptop computer for the Building Inspector.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIT OF JUSTICE COURT BOOKS

RESOLUTION #18-18

ACCEPT THE AUDIT OF THE JUSTICE COURT BOOKS

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilwoman Lundberg, second by Councilman Brownell to accept the audit of the Justice Court books.

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

PUBLIC COMMENT-OPEN 8:10P.M. NONE CLOSED

RESOLUTION#19-18

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

RESOLVED on a motion by Councilwoman Lundberg, second by Councilman Herrick to make payment on the following claims:

No. 51-78	A Fund	\$ 2,693.21
	B Fund	\$ 83.62
	DB Fund	\$15,806.98
	Pre-Paid	\$ 755.31
	Total	\$19,339.12

Adopted 5 Ayes Lundberg, Moy, Brownell, Herrick & Shaw

Clerk to the Supervisor; Michelle Skiff asked if Payment of Claims could be moved up on the agenda.

Supervisor said that could be done.

Meeting adjourned 8:15p.m.

Sharon Archambeault

March 5, 2018

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Easton Town Clerk