



TOWN OF CAIRO

GENERAL/REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

October 24, 2012 @ 7PM

Location: Town Hall, Cairo

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Presentations

Comments: Cairo Chamber of Commerce

Approval of Minutes:

Reports

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| - Supervisor | - Ambulance | -Reservoir |
| - Highway Superintendent | - Planning Board | -Summer Rec |
| - Library | - Police Department | -Tax Collector |
| - Assessor | - Building & Code Enforcement | |
| - Water & Sewer | - Other Department(s) | |

Appointments & Resolutions

Unfinished Business

- Solar Energy
- Code Enforcement
 - o Route 84 Property

New Business

- 2013 Preliminary Budget
- Round Top Fire Company Contract
- Generator
- Cairo Fish & Game Club

Adjournment



Minutes

**Town of Cairo
Town Board Meeting @7pm
Location: Town Hall Meeting Room**

September 26, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a Town Board meeting on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Supervisor Ted Banta, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and then asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. Councilperson Suttmeier was absent.

MA Tarpinian gave presentation about the 19th Annual Apple Harvest Festival and the events planned for that day. There is going to be 50 plus vendors, local food vendors, Bobby Val Country Music Band with Square dancing, Apple pie baking contest, and a Little Miss or Mr. Cairo. Portion of proceeds of the Apple Festival are going to Toys for Tots. Dot Rosenthal is going to be our town crier.

Janet McKeon gave presentation about the summer recreation program that runs for 6 weeks every summer. She went over the importance of giving the children something to do during the summer.

The minutes from the September 12, 2012 Workshop Meeting was accepted by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

Code Enforcement Officer Stacey Sprague asked Board about household garbage. Councilperson Joyce asked about numerous properties that have been in violation in town.

Superintendent of Highways Robert Hempstead recognized Jimmy Kusisto as the new foreman for the Highway Dept. as of October 1st.

Councilperson Ostrander reported there was excess water in parking lot when it rained. Hempstead will get in touch with company to fix the problem.

Supervisor Banta went over the Supervisor's Report. (See Supervisor's Report) He asked Councilperson Ostrander to assist him in redoing the emergency plan because the plan is outdated.

Resolution No. 222 -12 "Receipt of Monthly Supervisor's Report" offered by Councilperson Puorro and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the NYS Comptroller's Office in the Town of Cairo Report of Examination 2008M-175, that the Supervisor should present a Monthly Report to the Board Members consisting of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and a budget versus actual report for expenses and revenues, and it be documented in the minutes; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board Members accept the monthly Supervisor's Report for August, 2012.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 223 -12 "Grant Permission to the Justice Court to Apply for the 2012 JCAP Grant" offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Puorro:

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo Justice Court is in need of (4) filing cabinets, (1) desk and chair, (1) new desktop computer, funds to scan records, and updates to the court security system; and

WHEREAS, there is a 2012 Justice Court Assistance Program Grant (JCAP) available; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby grant permission to the Justice Court to apply for the 2012 JCAP Grant.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 224 -12 “Authorizing a Two Night Accommodation for the Deputy Highway Superintendent’s Conference Attendance” offered by Supervisor Banta and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

WHEREAS, the Town Board approved the Deputy Highway Superintendent’s attendance to the State Comptroller’s Accounting School, Resolution 173-12, on July 11, 2012;

AND WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent approved a two night stay accommodation for the conference held in Oneonta because of the long commute and because the overnight accommodations would be less than the daily commute expense; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the two night accommodation for the Deputy Highway Superintendent for the attendance at the State Comptroller’s Office Conference, as it is more cost effective than daily mileage and travel time.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 225 -12 “Approve Ambulance Financing” offered by Councilperson Puorro and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

WHEREAS, the Town Board approved the purchase of a new ambulance on May 9, 2012, Resolution 120-12;

AND WHEREAS, the Town has received financing options from 3 vendors:

The Bank of Greene County: 3 yr at 2.09% & 5 yr at 2.29%

Integrated Vehicles & Equipment Leasing: 5 yr at 4.96% & 6 yr at 4.99%

Advantage Funding: 3 yr at 3.97% & 4 yr at 3.99%

The lowest financing option submitted by the Bank of Greene County; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve the 5 year financing option provided by the Bank of Greene County at 2.29%.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 226 -12 “Fee Schedule Amendment” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Puorro:

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo adopted a revised Fee Schedule on April 25, 2012;

AND WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo has updated the fee schedule on 6/13, 8/8, & 8/22;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby amend the Fee Schedule to add a \$20 FOIL Deposit for Maps and to delete the escrow comment in parentheses in the line item for Curb Cut/Driveway Upgrade-deleting “Escrow established by the Highway Dept”.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 227 -12 “Accepting Sewer EDU Billings Dated September 4, 2012” offered by Supervisor Banta and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Sewer EDU Billings to be authorized by the Town Board and documented in the minutes; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo accepts the Sewer EDU Billings as presented from the Sewer Administrator in the amount of \$59,500.00, dated September 4, 2012.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 228 -12 “Accepting Sewer Use Penalties Dated September 17, 2012” offered by Supervisor Banta and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Sewer Use Penalties to be authorized by the Town Board and documented in the minutes; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo accepts the Sewer Use Penalties as presented from the Sewer Administrator in the amount of \$2,721.93, dated September 17, 2012.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 229 -12 “Budget Amendments and Payments of Bills on Abstract #318” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

WHEREAS, town law requires that no fund or appropriation account may be overdrawn; and

WHEREAS, payment of bills should be properly authorized and documented in the minutes; therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize the following budget amendments:

From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-35.05
To	A-1010.4	Legislative - Contractual	+35.05
From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-175.70

To	A-1330.4	Tax Collector - Contractual	+175.70
From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-3,936.85
To	A-1420.4	Law – Contractual	+3,936.85
From	A-1620.202	Buildings – Improvements	-5,826.27
From	A-1620.407	Buildings – Contractual ACC	-1,489.65
To	A-1620.2	Buildings – Capital Outlay	+7,315.92
From		Fund Balance	-10,413.59
To	DA-5110.4	Maint. Of Road – Contractual	+10,413.59
From	DA-5142.425	Snow Removal - Gas	-198.44
To	DA-5110.425	Maint of Roads - Gas	+198.44
From		Fund Balance	-2,887.94
To	DA-5130.4	Machinery-Contractual	+2,887.94

And be it further RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize that Abstract #318, consisting of 2012

Vouchers #2138 through #2265 in the amount of \$212,336.74 is approved for payment. The total amount to be paid from the:

General Fund - \$61,683.43	Street Lighting -	
Highway Fund - \$108,823.42	Sewer Fund -	\$7,495.35
Cap. Library Fund - \$33,332.94	Water Fund -	\$984.45
Cap. Sewer Fund -	Trust & Agency -	\$17.15

Gail and John Kargoe gave update on the Tommy Guns dinner. Hartmanns

Bakery donated the cakes for the event and Moki Pambianchi did the decorations.

Public Hearing - **The Town Board paused the Town Board meeting at 8:00 PM to have a Public Hearing for Regulating Storage Bins.**

The Public Hearing ended at 8:05 PM and the Town Board Meeting resumed. (See Minutes for Public Hearing)

Resolution No. 230 -12 “Accept Local Law No. 3 - Regulating Storage Bins” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby accept the Local Law 3 - Regulating Storage Bins in the Town of Cairo.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 231 -12 “Board to Move into Executive Session” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby move into Executive Session at 8:20 PM to discuss medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation within the Town of Cairo.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 232 -12 “Board to exit Executive Session” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby exit Executive Session at 9:00 PM.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 233 -12 “Deny Variance for Meadowfields Apt.” offered by Councilperson Puorro and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CAIRO RESOLUTION VARIANCE
APPLICATION FOR RELIEF FROM TOWN RESORT CONVERSION
MORATORIUM MEADOW FIELDS APARTMENTS, LLC/PAGANOS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo’s Comprehensive Plan includes as one of the several goals of the Town, the preservation and encouragement of the tourism and resort industry within the Town; and

WHEREAS, Meadow Fields Apartments, LLC and Vasileios Paganos (hereinafter referred to “Applicants”) are the owners of certain real property located at 940 County

Route 24, Round Top, Cairo, NY, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Cairo, based upon the existence of several potential conversions of resort properties into other uses within the Town, enacted a moratorium local law to allow the Town to review and possibly regulate the potential negative and positive impacts of such conversions to the Comprehensive Plan and the Town. Said moratorium is entitled Town of Cairo Local Law #2 of 2012, entitled “A Local Law Imposing a Temporary Six Month Moratorium on Approvals Involving Resorts”; and

WHEREAS, the Applicants initially filed a site plan review application with the Town of Cairo Planning Board seeking to convert a building located on such property from the former use as a resort to that of a senior housing facility in early 2008 and pursued the application through the normal process each month for several months, but did not attend August, September, and October 2008 meetings, with the application being ultimately withdrawn in November of 2008. The matter then lay dormant until re-filed in 2011 with the review and normal process before the Planning Board occurring each month until halted as the result of the above-mentioned moratorium following the June 2012 Planning Board meeting; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, the Applicants filed an application for a variance from the moratorium, pursuant to Section 8 thereof, wherein it states that

“Should any owner of property affected by this Local Law suffer an unnecessary hardship in the way of carrying out the strict letter of this Local Law, then the owner of said property may apply to the Town Board of the Town Cairo in writing for a variance from the strict compliance with this Local Law upon the submission of proof of such unnecessary hardship. For the purpose of this Local Law, unnecessary hardship shall not be mere delay in being permitted to make application or waiting for a decision on the application for a subdivision, variance, special use permit, site plan, site plan review, building permits, other municipal approvals or permits during the period the moratorium imposed by this Local Law.”

WHEREAS, the Town Board scheduled and duly noticed a public for such application, which occurred on August 22, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant appeared only by its counsel Michael Esslie, Esq., and who offered statements relating solely to the procedural history of the application and the Applicant's opinion regarding the compatibility of the proposed use with the Town's Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, several members of the public attended the public hearing, speaking both in favor of and against the granting of the variance application; and

WHEREAS, at the close of the public hearing, the Applicant's counsel submitted a written 4 (four) page narrative containing a recapitulation of Applicant's counsel's statements during the public hearing and one sub-paragraph relating to an alleged unnecessary "pecuniary" loss of "having to pay monthly mortgage payments, taxes, insurance and loss of rent income." The narrative also included four pages of copies of recent Town of Cairo Planning Board minutes, which purportedly support the argument that the underlying application is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE

Upon a review and consideration of all testimony, statements and written documentation submitted, the Town Board of the Town of Cairo hereby

FINDS, DETERMINES AND RESOLVES THAT the standard of review and proof for the granting of a variance pursuant to the aforementioned Local Law #2 of 2012 requires the applicant to submit proof of an unnecessary hardship and that "...unnecessary hardship shall not be mere delay in being permitted to make application or waiting for a decision on the application for a subdivision, variance, special use permit, site plan, site plan review, building permits, other municipal approvals or permits during the period the moratorium imposed..." by that local law; and further

FINDS, DETERMINES AND RESOLVES THAT the Applicant failed to carry such burden of proof, specifically

1. The oral statements provided by Applicant's counsel during the public hearing related entirely to the Applicant's opinion that the underlying project is consistent with the Town's Comprehensive Plan and no offer of proof relating to an

unnecessary hardship.

2. The written narrative contains 6 (six) subparagraphs labeled “Hardship”.

However a review of the narrative reveals that

a) The first Hardship is an argument that the project is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and thus should not be discarded.

Even if this argument is accepted at face value, without any supporting documentation, it fails to carry the Applicant’s burden in that it does not allege an unnecessary hardship and merely opines that the variance should be granted because of the alleged consistency with the Comprehensive Plan.

b) The second Hardship is the same argument, restated in different terms. This argument fails for same reasons set forth above in a).

c) The third Hardship is an argument that the moratorium places an additional level of review on the project that no other Applicant has had to face.

Moratoria have long been recognized as legitimate tools for municipalities to utilize to protect significant local interests against potential threats and have been repeatedly accepted by the Courts of the State of New York as an appropriate manner in which to protect those interests. Indeed, the Town Board could have implemented a moratorium that did not include a variance process and the fact that such a process is permitted provides the Applicant greater safeguard than the typical moratorium. There can be no unnecessary hardship by the mere fact of the enactment of the moratorium herein.

d) The fourth Hardship is the argument that the Applicant will allegedly lose mortgage payments, taxes, insurance and suffer a loss of rent income.

Again, without any factual basis as an offer of proof it is impossible for the Town Board to assess the alleged hardship as it

relates to the payment of the Applicant’s mortgage, real property taxes, etc. Further, it is submitted that the payments set forth in this argument would need to be paid regardless of the existence of the moratorium and are payments that virtually every owner of real property in the Town of Cairo must make.

e) The fifth and sixth Hardships are the same argument as set forth in a) and b) above, but again merely stated in different terms.

As set forth above in the analysis of the first Hardship, even if this argument is accepted at face value, without any supporting documentation, it fails to carry the Applicant’s burden in that it does not allege an unnecessary hardship and merely opines that the variance should be granted because of the alleged consistency with the Comprehensive Plan.

3. The written narrative is a factually unsubstantiated statement by Applicant’s counsel without any form of evidentiary, testimonial, sworn or any other proof to support the uncorroborated claims; and the Board further

FINDS, DETERMINES AND RESOLVES THAT any argument that Applicant may make relating to an unnecessary hardship due to delay cannot be deemed to have weight in the Town’s Board’s consideration herein, since the application for this project has been before the Planning Board, on and off, for the past several years, with most of that time period attributable to either the Applicant’s failure to appear at scheduled meetings or as the result of the application being withdrawn by the applicant.

Based upon the above, on a motion by Councilman Puorro and seconded by Councilman Ostrander and unanimously carried, the application for the variance was denied.

VOTING TO DENY THE APPLICATION:	AYE	NAY	OTHER
Supervisor Banta	X		
Councilman Puorro	X		
Councilman Ostrander	X		
Councilman Joyce	X		
Councilman Suttmeier			Absent

Resolution Enacted: September 12, 2012
Filed: September 26, 2012
Tara A. Rumph, Town Clerk, RMC, CMC

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 234 -12 “Authorize Supervisor to sign Retainer” offered by
Councilperson Puorro and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the
Supervisor to sign the updated retainer agreement for the attorneys.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 235 -12 “Authorize Ambulance Administrator to Auction
Vehicle” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

Be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby give permission to
Ambulance Administrator to auction the oldest ambulance.

All members in favor – motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce
to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara A. Rumph, RMC, CMC
Cairo Town Clerk



Minutes

Town of Cairo Town Board Public Hearing on “Regulating Storage Bins”

September 26, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo held a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Supervisor Ted Banta, called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM with the following Board Members present: Councilpersons Ostrander, Joyce and Puorro. Councilperson Suttmeier was absent.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comment on a Local Law Proposed to Regulate Storage Bins.

Supervisor Banta read excerpts from the Proposed Local Law.

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo finds and declares that the intrusion of non-regulated storage bins is causing annoyance to citizens in the Town of Cairo and may lead to negative visual impacts and potential health hazards. The provisions contained in this local law are intended to prohibit the placement of storage bins in the Town of Cairo except in accordance with the terms of this local law so as not to negatively impact the health and safety of the residents of the Town.

Storage Bins Prohibited Without Permit. Conduct

a. No person, corporation, entity, organization or group shall place a storage bin in any location within the Town of Cairo, except in the following locations and with the owners consent thereof, unless such person shall first obtain a permit from the Town:

- i. Property owned by the Town of Cairo;
- ii. Property owned by a duly organized fire company or district;

iii. Property owned by a church or other place of worship.

Motion was made by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce to close the Public Hearing at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara A. Rumph, CMC, RMC
Cairo Town Clerk



Minutes

Town of Cairo

Budget Work Session

October 4, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a budget work session meeting on Thursday October 4, 2012 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Supervisor Ted Banta called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and then asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag with all Board members present.

The Highway department met with the Board Members to discuss their budget.

Resolution 236-12 "Highway to purchase 20 ton trailer"

Councilperson Joyce offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase a Towmaster 20 ton trailer, VIN# 4KNFT20216L161017 for the purchase price of \$7,500.00.

Councilperson Ostrander seconded the motion.

All members in favor – motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilperson Joyce and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander to adjourn the meeting at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Sommer

Deputy Town Clerk



Minutes

Town of Cairo

Town Board Work Session

October 10, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a work session meeting on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Supervisor Banta called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM and then asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the flag. Councilperson Ostrander, Councilperson Joyce, Councilperson Suttmeier were present. Councilperson Puorro was absent.

Resolution No 237-12 - "Recognize October 2012 as Bullying Awareness Month"

Councilperson Ostrander offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, We must safeguard schools and communities for our children, and, through our recognition of the serious issues that face them each day, offer our children an environment that holds promise and security; and

WHEREAS, Many organizations, school districts, educators and parents have publicly expressed concern about the bullying of children; and

WHEREAS, Each day an estimated 160,000 children refuse to go to school because they dread the physical and verbal aggression of their peers, and the loneliness that comes from

being excluded and made the target of rumors and cyber-bullying; many more students attend school in a chronic state_of anxiety; and

WHEREAS, It is important that we acknowledge and heighten awareness about the serious issues and the negative effects of bullying, including the long-term damage it can cause in our youth as well as the risks of teenage suicide; and

WHEREAS, Providing a safe physical and emotional environment is a significant goal and a personal responsibility of each individual; and

WHEREAS, It is time to “Recognize & Extol the Virtues & Attributes of Positive Moral Character & disparage, reject, and stop Bullying!”; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Cairo does hereby designate the month of October 2012 as Bullying Awareness Month as a symbol of our commitment to the year-round struggle against bullying.

Councilperson Joyce seconded the motion.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 238 – 12 - “Building & Code Enforcement Conference Travel”

Supervisor Banta offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Building & Code Enforcement Officers have to participate in annual training to maintain applicable certifications; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Building & Code Enforcement Officers attendance at the Capital District Educational Conference in Albany on October 16th & 17th. Daily commute and travel expenses according to the Town’s Travel Policy will apply.

Councilperson Ostrander seconded the motion.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 239 – 12 - “Fee Schedule Amendment”

Councilperson Suttmeier offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo adopted a revised Fee Schedule on April 25, 2012;

AND WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo has updated the fee schedule on 6/13, 8/8, 8/22, & 9/26;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby amend the Fee Schedule to adjust the Commercial Alterations & Repairs Level II section from \$.15 to \$.30 per sq. ft. of reconfigured space.

Councilperson Joyce seconded the motion.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 240-12 – “Bond Resolution For Acquisition Of A 2012 Ambulance”

BOND RESOLUTION DATED OCTOBER 10, 2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A 2012 AMBULANCE AND ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS OF THE TOWN OF CAIRO, GREENE COUNTY, NEW YORK IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$95,000 PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF, AND DELEGATING CERTAIN POWERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH TO THE TOWN SUPERVISOR.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Cairo, Greene County, New York (the "Town") (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all of the members of the Town Board) as follows:

SECTION 1. The specific purpose (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") to be financed pursuant to this resolution is the acquisition of a 2012 Demers Sprinter 3500 Type II ambulance. The aggregate estimated maximum cost of said purpose is \$95,000 and said amount is hereby

appropriated therefor. It is hereby determined that said purpose is an object or purpose described in subdivision 27-a of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is ten years.

SECTION 2. It is hereby determined that the aforesaid purpose constitutes a Type II action as defined under the State Environmental Quality Review Regulation, 6 NYCRR Part 617, which has been determined under SEQRA not to have a significant impact on the environment.

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined that the proposed maturity of the obligations authorized by this resolution will not be in excess of five years from the original date of issuance of such obligations.

SECTION 4. The Town Board plans to finance the total cost of said purpose by the issuance of serial bonds of the Town in an amount not to exceed \$95,000, hereby authorized to be issued therefore pursuant to the Local Finance Law.

SECTION 5. Current funds are not required to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution or any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds.

SECTION 6. The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the Town for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations.

SECTION 7. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law. The faith and credit of the Town are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of the Town a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due and payable.

SECTION 8. Subject to the terms and contents of this resolution and the Local Finance Law, and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 30.00, 50.00 and 56.00 to 63.00, inclusive, of said Law, the power to authorize bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of the serial bonds authorized by this resolution and the renewals of said notes and the power to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said serial bonds and said bond anticipation notes (including without limitation the date, denominations, maturities, interest payment dates, consolidation with other issues, and redemption rights), the power to determine to issue said bonds providing for substantially level or declining debt service, and the power to sell and deliver said serial bonds (including as statutory installment bonds), and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds, is hereby delegated to the Town Supervisor, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the Town. The Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign any serial bonds issued pursuant to this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of said serial bonds, and the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to affix the corporate seal of the Town to any of said serial bonds or any bond anticipation notes and to attest such seal.

SECTION 9. The Town Supervisor is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to designate the bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof as "qualified tax-exempt bonds" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

SECTION 10. The validity of said serial bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said serial bonds may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Town is not authorized to expend money; or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with;

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication; or

(3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

SECTION 11. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this resolution, or a summary thereof, together with a notice in substantially the form provided by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law, in the Catskill Daily Mail, being a newspaper having a general circulation in the Town and hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Town for such publication.

SECTION 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

Ted Banta III	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Doug Ostrander	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Raymond Suttmeier	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Dan Joyce	VOTING <u>Aye</u>
Tony Puorro	VOTING <u>Absent</u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Supervisor Banta stated that letters will have to be sent to the owners of the clothing bins in the Town of Cairo informing them of our newly enacted law. They will have 30 days to remove the bins. Supervisor's clerk will follow up with a courtesy phone call.

Town Board gave permission to Gerard Buckley to install water lines to his laundromat.

After discussion of upcoming meetings that needed to be scheduled, the board decided that they will have a budget meeting on Friday October 19, 2012 at 9:00am, a zoning meeting

on Monday, November 5, 2012 at 4:00pm and a labor meeting on October 31, 2012 or November 1, 2012. Supervisor will contact the attorney and will inform the board what date the meeting will be held.

Stacy Sprague, Code Enforcement Officer spoke with the board regarding outstanding violations and how would the board like her to proceed. Town Attorney, Tal Rappleyea stated the Town Board has the authority to enforce the local laws with a hearing of property owner and the Town Board. The Town Board can also have the code enforcement officer issue appearance tickets and go through court proceedings. After discussion, the board decided to start court proceedings with all violations brought before the board. Stacy Sprague queried about the property owner that is currently in court and the board decided to hold a hearing with the property owner on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 4:30pm. Supervisor Banta asked that the cost of demolition be identified as a town or county bill.

Supervisor Banta informed the board that he received a phone call from an independent film scout looking to use the police station and to film around the Town of Cairo. Supervisor Banta will look further into this matter and report back to the board.

Supervisor Banta spoke about the letter they received from the Town of Catskill regarding a wastewater collection system in South Cairo. Supervisor Banta will contact Supervisor Leggio to arrange a meeting and will inform the board the date and time.

Resolution No. 241 -12 “Board to Move into Executive Session” offered by Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby move into Executive Session at 4:55pm to discuss medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation within the Town of Cairo.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 242 -12

“Board to exit Executive Session” offered by
Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby exit Executive Session at 5:35 PM.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Joyce to adjourn the meeting at 4:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Sommer

Deputy Cairo Town Clerk

**Town of Cairo
Ambulance Service**

PO Box 728
512 Main Street
Cairo, NY 12413
518-622-2357

**Monthly Report
September 26, 2012**

Total Calls for August.....81
Total Transported Calls.....52
Total Non-transported calls.....29

Total Amount Billed_____ \$ 42,850

Miscellaneous items:

1. New Ambulance re- scheduled for delivery the 8th of November. Need to set up the auction for current 74-2.
2. Continuing problems with the overhead doors in the ambulance bay. May need new openers.
3. Furnaces need to be serviced before the heating season in both the bay and the crew quarters.

TOWN OF CAIRO BOARD MEETING

ASSESSOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

October 24, 2012

BUSINESS: 29 transfers for month of September

NEW BUSINESS: RESOLUTION for assessor to attend one day seminar Ethics & the Assessor class November 16, 2012 at Columbia-Greene Community College, Hudson, NY, for continuing education credits as required by NYS –see attached

CLOSING

Janice Hull
Sole Assessor



**TOWN OF CAIRO
BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Monthly Report

September 25, 2012 – October 23, 2012

(05) Building permits Issued

(03) Certificates of Occupancy Issued

(03) Certificates of Compliance Issued

(31) Violations & Complaints:

(04) Violations Pending In Court

**(43) Total Inspections performed on current projects, violations
and Fire Inspections**

**On October 16th and 17th 2012 Stacy Sprague & Rich Hilgendorff
attended the Capital District Educational Conference for a total of
12 credit hours toward our 24 mandated hours.**



**TOWN OF CAIRO
BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT**

October 23, 2012

**Town of Cairo
Town Board Members**

Dear Board Members,

On October 16th and 17th Rich and I attended the Capital District Educational Conference and received a total of 12 Credit Hours toward our 24 mandated hours of training. We will be attending the Tri-County Educational Conference in Middletown/Goshen on December 5th and 6th to obtain the rest of our credit hours. Please pass a resolution for the attendance of this conference and our lodging so that we are in compliance with the travel policy and may be reimbursed for our expenses. Information on the conference was previously submitted please let me know if you are need of another copy.

**Respectfully,
Stacy Sprague
Code Enforcement Officer**

**Tri County Chapter of NYSBOC
PO Box 222
Kauneonga Lake, NY 12749
Serving Orange, Sullivan & Ulster Counties since 1947**

**Tri County 6
The Annual Last Chance for Hours
Wednesday, December 5th**

**8:00 – 8:45 Registration, Continental Breakfast, Housekeeping
8:45 – 9:00 Opening Remarks
9:00 – 12:00 Change of Occupancy and the Existing Building Code – 6
hours
12:00 -1:00 Lunch
1:00 – 4:00 Continuation of Change of Occupancy and the Existing
Building Code
4:00 – 5:00 Everything a Firefighter wants to tell a Code Enforcement
Officer - 1 hour
Thursday, December 6th**

**8:00 – 8:30 Registration, Buffet Breakfast, Housekeeping
9:00 – 11:00 Fire Alarm Basics – 2 Hours
11:00 – 12:00 Why Sprinklered Buildings Burn – 1 Hour
12:00 – 1:00 Buffet Lunch
1:00 – 3:00 Fire Sprinkler Workshop – 2 Hours
3:00 – 5:00 Commercial Kitchen Systems – 2 Hours
5:00 – 7:00 Cocktail Hour, courtesy of Tri County NYSBOC
Breaks will be given at the discretion of the Instruct**

Highway Report

October 24, 2012

1. Surface treatment crews are out resurfacing/patching various roads within the town.
2. The gradall crew continues to upgrade the drainage/ditching within the town.
3. The mower is completing its fourth run around the town for the season.
4. The mechanics are working on the snow removal equipment in preparation of winter.
5. Our crew is still out working with the sewer department to uncover/repair septic tanks in preparation of pumping. There are approximately 55 pump outs complete.
6. We assisted the water department with repairs. We also installed protective piping around two fire hydrants on Main Street.
7. Culvert maintenance program ongoing. We are looking to purchase a used flusher truck to flush the pipes that are full of debris. It can also be used in the water and sewer department as needed.
8. Town wide trash clean up and the repairing/replacing or warning signs is ongoing.
9. We have purchased a used 20 ton trailer. This will be very cost effective due to all the FEMA jobs that need to be completed. We can now move our own equipment, which is a reimbursable expense through FEMA.
10. We need to put the two F550's and two F350's out to bid with new specifications.
11. The guide rail project on Route 32 has been completed.
12. We have been installing/upgrading driveway pipes on various roads.
13. The new foreman Jim Kusisto is a huge asset to the highway department.
14. The annex renovations are almost complete. The building is ready to house the police vehicles.
15. The recently purchased vacuum sweeper has been out on various roads and is working well.
16. We will be putting timers on the lights down at the park.
17. We assisted the Chamber of Commerce for the Apple Harvest Festival.
18. We continue to utilize court ordered community service hours. These individuals maintain lawns, gardens, paint, general maintenance, etc.
19. We have received numerous emails and phone calls regarding the Cairo Nature Center looking for directions so they can bring their family for a day out.
20. We will be installing the new basketball back boards that have been donated by The Bank of Greene County.

21. We took delivery of the 1969 Oshkosh. This will be our backup snow plow for the season.
22. In preparation for the Synder Lane pump station repair, we have cut trees and cleared the area for the installation of a new generator.
23. The engineers are working on the Harold Myers and Sandy Plains FEMA projects preparing preliminary reports and bidding specifications.
- 24.

Library Director's Report – October 2012

The Babes in Bookland program has restarted. It is a pre-literacy program for infants to ages 2 ½.

The Toddler Time program is held on Fridays at 1:00pm.

Other recent programs include: Audio Editing with WGXC; The Avengers movie; and a self-portrait painting class with Alice Tunison, instructor.

I met with interim Cairo Durham Central School Superintendent Dr. Pollack to discuss ways for the library to further partner with the school district. I will be meeting with the three school principals in November.

We continue to get many requests for use of the community room and the small conference room. The community/small conference room policy will be re-evaluated by the Library Board in January of 2013.

The Friends of the Cairo Library held a book sale at the Town Park during the Apple Harvest Festival which brought in about \$500.

In terms of construction, architectural firm Butler, Rowland, and Mays has issued certificates of substantial completion for eight contractors.



J MYERS WATER SERVICE, INC.

7974 Main Street, PO Box 214
Hunter, New York 12442

October 24, 2012

Ted Banta, Supervisor
Town of Cairo
PO Box 728
Cairo, New York 12413

Re: Sewer Dept. Monthly Report for September, 2012

The following report cover's facility operations of the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) and collection system servicing the Town of Cairo.

WWTP

Flow, monthly average:

September 43,000gpd

Biosolids:

September 4000 gals. WWTP Sludge

Compliance:

Compliance was met for the month of September.

Comments:

The new filters went on-line on 7/22/09 and are performing well.

Ordered parts for the #2 UV system.

Collection System

PS-1, Cumberland Farms

All conditions normal

PS-2, Schindler's Garage

All conditions normal

PS-3, Snyder La

All conditions normal

Generator off line for repairs.

PS-4, 23 over-pass

All conditions normal

PS-5, Cairo Collision

All conditions normal.

PS-6, Jerome Rd

All conditions normal

PS-7, Dunkin Donuts

All conditions normal

Septic Tank(s)

Conditions normal.

Contractor working on septic tanks pump-out schedule.

Please call me with any concerns or questions,

Joe Myers, cell 528-8842



TOWN OF CAIRO

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

October 24, 2012 @ 7PM

Location: Town Hall of Cairo, Meeting Room

Notification of Meeting:

- Town Clerk's Board
- Town Hall
- Outdoor Bulletin Board
- Town Website
- Daily Mail Calendar
- Midhudson PSA Announcement
- Town Email from Clerk

Monthly Financial Report: September 2012

Zoning:

- Zoning Meetings to date:
 - o April 11th @ 3pm
 - o April 30th @ 5pm
 - o May 21st @ 4:30pm
 - o June 11th @ 4:30pm
 - o July 9th @ 5pm
 - o August 6th @ 4pm
 - o August 20th @ 4pm
 - o September 17th @ 4pm
 - o October 4th at 4pm-Budget Session occurred
 - o Next meeting scheduled for November 5th at 4pm

Employee Meetings Held to date:

- Meetings continue to be held monthly
- Next meeting is October 25th @ 11am

Purchasing Policy:

- No further updates
- Will update according to Comptroller's recommendations
- Will update to clarify and provide detailed instructions

Disaster/Emergency Plan Policy:

- Emergency/Disaster Plan is outdated
- Downloaded Greene County's Emergency Plan to use as a reference
- Doug Ostrander and I will prepare a plan and present it to the Board

Renovation of Town Hall-Old Library:

- See attached draft
- 2 Engineers have been contact thus far: Kaaterskill & Butler, Rowland, & Mays

Correspondence:

- See attached correspondence
- Letter from University Sheffield 9/20/12
- Thank you from Red Cross for the Blood Drive on 9/24/12
- Letter about Library

Water District:

- Will be working with Kathy J. to implement, enhance, amend and codify procedures & approvals for Water District, especially water tapping procedures and approvals

Solar Energy Evaluation:

- Rupert Shoedial is working on recommendations for the town

2013 Budget:

- Filed Tentative Budget on 9/28
- Budget presented to Board prior to October 5th mandate on October 4th
- Budget sessions held: October 4th at 4pm & October 19th at 9am

Reviews & Raises:

- I recommend that we perform annual reviews due on or about July 31, 2012
- Raises should be discussed at Budget time only unless there are extenuating circumstances

United Way of Columbia & Greene Counties:

- Grateful for the opportunity to house a trailer in Town. Great geographical proximity.

Building Policy:

- We need to decide if we will charge For-profit organizations to use the Meeting Room at Town Hall

Emergency Preparedness Conference:

- At the Governor's invitation, I'll be attending the conference on October 29th & 30th
- The fee of \$150 will apparently be waived.
- I will not be seeking mileage reimbursement or travel expenses

Meeting with Superintendent of Schools: Cairo-Durham

- Asked if we would like to discuss sharing services
- Would like to meet and discuss further

State Comptroller's Follow-up to the May 2009 Audit:

- Need policies & procedures-manuals for positions
- State published audit & follow-up in their archives

Town Audit:

- Our accounting firm conducted a comprehensive audit as a result of the Town receiving Federal Funds
- Audit has been completed & filed
- They included recommendation for measures to improve our administration & oversight

Independent Film Work in Cairo:

- Possible location: Wiley's Automotive on Rt 84 for a police lot and office
- May want to use Town of Cairo personnel

EFC Financing for Water:

- Alan Tavenner contacted Dave Phillips at DOH to inquire as to whether or not the available funding will cover a new well.

- A new well may be an eligible expense. Dave Phillips told Alan that he will verify that we can use funds from both projects.

Insurance:

- Trident Insurance-The Town's Insurance Company conducted a Risk Management inquiry with me on 9/28/12. I'm compiling the information and resources sent for the follow-up and will report to the Board accordingly.

Storage Bins:

- A letter was drafted and sent to the company who possesses the Storage Bins in Town with a copy of the Storage Bin Law. 30 Days was given for removal.

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Receipt of Monthly Supervisor’s Report”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the NYS Comptroller’s Office in the Town of Cairo Report of Examination 2008M-175, that the Supervisor should present a Monthly Report to the Board Members consisting of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and a budget versus actual report for expenses and revenues, and it be documented in the minutes; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board Members accept the monthly Supervisor’s Report for September, 2012.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Purchase of 1999 GMC C7500 Flusher Truck for Highway”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve the purchase of one 1999 GMC C7500 Flusher Truck VIN#1GBM7H1B9XJ100487 from the Town of Cheektowaga in the amount of \$8,000.00.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Authorize Town Bookkeeper to Attend NYS Assoc. of Towns Seminar”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Town Bookkeeper to attend the Fall Personnel & Ethics School seminar sponsored by the NYS Assoc. of Towns in Newburgh, NY on November 8, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that expenses will be reimbursed according to the Town of Cairo Travel Policy.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____



Association of Towns' 2012 Fall Personnel & Ethics School

A One Day Seminar on Personnel Management, Labor Relations and Ethics

**Friday, November 2, 2012 –
Syracuse**

**DoubleTree by Hilton
6301 State Rte 298
East Syracuse, NY 13057**

**Thursday, November 8, 2012 –
Newburgh**

**Hudson Valley Hotel
and Conference Center
90 Route 17K
Newburgh, NY 12550**

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (Registration & Breakfast 8:30)

**Who should attend? Town Supervisors, Board Members, Clerks, Attorneys,
Highway Superintendents, Department Heads, Human Resources, Personnel
Managers, and Ethics Board Members**

Subjects will include:

- **State and Federal Labor Law**
- **Layoffs and Separation from Service**
- **Employee Privacy and Proper Use of Equipment**
- **The Taylor Law and Collective Negotiations**
- **Mandatory and Non-Mandatory Subjects Of Collective Bargaining**
- **Preparing For Negotiations**
- **Civil Service Issues**

**Registration Fee: Association of Towns Members \$75; Non-Members \$100
(Includes breakfast, lunch, refreshment breaks and materials)**

**Register On-line at www.nytowns.org
Seating is limited.**

Questions? Call Chris Anderson, at 518-465-7933

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WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO REGISTER ONLINE AT NYTOWNS.ORG

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***** Please make checks payable to: *The Association of Towns* *****
Send to: The Association of Towns, 150 State Street, Albany, NY 12207

Notice of cancellation must be received 10 days prior to event, less a \$10
processing fee. NO REFUNDS after that deadline.

Name: _____ Title: _____

Municipality or
Organization: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

E:mail: _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

School (circle one): Syracuse Newburgh

For directions, times, and updates, please visit www.nytowns.org

For questions, please contact Chris Anderson at 518-465-7933 or canderson@nytowns.org

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Mazone Plumbing & Heating Inc Change Order #3”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, there was an approved amended contract in the amount of \$231,068.00 between the Cairo Town Board , Cairo Public Library and contractor Mazone Plumbing & Heating, Inc for the Contract for Mechanical Work of the new library; and

WHEREAS, the contractor will provide and install insulation at the geothermal manifold; and

WHEREAS, the Cairo Public Library requested this change to the work to be completed with an additional amount due of \$410.00; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that contract change order no.3 for Mazone Plumbing & Heating Inc be approved in the amount of \$410.00 for a total contract price of \$231,478.00.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE ____ NAY ____ ABSENT ____ CARRIED ____ DEFEATED ____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“J S McHugh Change Order #4”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, there was an approved amended contract in the amount of \$41,076.10 between the Cairo Town Board , Cairo Public Library and contractor J S McHugh for the Contract for Custom Casework of the new library; and

WHEREAS, the contractor will provide and install:

- Additional picture rail trim
- Finished blocking at rest room grab bars
- Locks on storage benches
- Trims at interior book drop wall
- Additional support framing in AV Cabinet
- Trim at projection screen mounting
- Additional trim at knee wall in computer area

And:

Refinish three bench tops in children's and teen room; and

WHEREAS, the Cairo Public Library requested this change to the work to be completed with an additional amount due of \$9,518.55; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that contract change order no.4 for J S McHugh be approved in the amount of \$9,518.55 for a total contract price of \$50,594.65.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE ____ NAY ____ ABSENT ____ CARRIED ____ DEFEATED ____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“CDE Electric Inc Change Order #5”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, there was an approved amended contract in the amount of \$236,848.67 between the Cairo Town Board , Cairo Public Library and contractor CDE Electric, Inc for the Contract for Electrical Work of the new library; and

WHEREAS, the contractor will provide and install one additional display cabinet light, and two automatic door openers for Doors 01 and 21, and credit for review of revised light fixture package; and

WHEREAS, the Cairo Public Library requested this change to the work to be completed with an additional amount due of \$7,371.80; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that contract change order no.5 for CDE Electric, Inc be approved in the amount of \$7,371.80 for a total contract price of \$244,220.47.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE ____ NAY ____ ABSENT ____ CARRIED ____ DEFEATED ____



TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION ____-12

“2012 HALLOWEEN CURFEW”

Councilperson_____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby set a Halloween Curfew from 8:00pm – 6:00am. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or a legal guardian.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON_____

COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE____NAY____ABSENT____CARRIED____DEFEATED____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Approve Round Top Fire Company 2013 Contract”

Councilperson_____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve the 2013 Agreement with the Round Top Fire Company for a one year term from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 for the services stated in the agreement for the Round Top Fire Protection District; and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign said agreement.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT

THIS AGREEMENT, made as of the _____ day of _____, Two Thousand and Twelve, by and between the TOWN OF CAIRO a municipal subdivision of the County of Greene, State of New York (hereinafter designated as the party of the, first part), and the ROUND TOP FIRE COMPANY, INC., a volunteer fire company organized and existing under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of New York, with its firehouse located in the Town of Cairo, Greene County, New York (hereinafter designated as the party of the, second part), and

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, there has been established in the said **TOWN OF CAIRO** a Fire Protection District known as the **ROUND TOP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, embracing territory in said Town, as such territory is more fully described in the Resolution establishing such District, and

WHEREAS, following a Public Hearing duly called and held, pursuant to Town Law §184, the party of the first part duly authorized a Contract with the party of the second put through its Fire Department for fire protection and emergency service to that portion of the **TOWN OF CAIRO** within said District upon the terms and provisions hereinafter set forth, and

WHEREAS this Contract has also been duly authorized by the party of the second,

NOW THEREFORE, the party of the first part engages the party of the second part to furnish fire protection and emergency service to that portion of the said Town within said District, and the party of the second part agrees to furnish such protection in manner following, to wit:

(1) The party of the second part shall at all times during the period of this Agreement be subject to call for attendance upon any fire or emergency service in case of accidents, calamities or other emergencies in connection with which the services of

firefighters would be required and occurring in that portion of said Town within such District, and when notified by alarm or telephone call, such Fire Department shall respond and attend upon the fire or emergency without delay with one or more companies and with suitable ladder, pumping and hose apparatus of the party of the second part upon arriving at the scene of the fire, the firefighters of such Department attending shall proceed diligently and in every way reasonably necessary to extinguish said fire, and to save and protect the lives and property of persons affected thereby.

(2) The term of this Agreement shall be for 12 months, commencing January 1, 2013 and terminating December 31, 2013, subject to the right of said Fire Company to terminate said Agreement at the end of any calendar year in order to request additional annual compensation in the event that unforeseen financial obligations not resulting from actions of said Fire Company should result in significant, increased annual expenses to it.

(3) In consideration of furnishing aid and the use of apparatus as aforesaid, the party of the first part shall pay the party of the second part the sums of :

\$86,700

for the one year during which this Agreement remains in effect.

(4) Any loss or damage sustained to the fire apparatus or equipment of the party of the second part, or any expense in connection therewith, shall be borne by the party of the second part and not by the **TOWN OF CAIRO**.

(5) Each party shall assume the obligations imposed upon it by the appropriate statutes of the State of New York for medical expense, compensation or other benefits or claims arising by reason of the injury or death of a fireman or member of the emergency relief squad of the said Fire Company which may be sustained by reason of answering, attending or returning from any fire, or emergency call within the District.

(6) All money to be paid under any provision of this Agreement by the party of the first part shall be charged upon that portion of the Fire Protection District within

the Town protected hereunder, said sums to be assessed and levied upon the taxable real property therein and collected with the respective Town taxes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused these presents to be executed by their duly authorized officers this day , effective as of the 1st day of January 2013.

TOWN OF CAIRO

By: _____
Ted Banta, III, Supervisor

ROUND TOP FIRE COMPANY, INC.

By: _____
Authorized Officer

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Budget Amendments and Payment of Bills on Abstract #320”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, town law requires that no fund or appropriation account may be overdrawn; and

WHEREAS, payment of bills should be properly authorized and documented in the minutes;
therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize the following budget amendments:

From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-12.70
To	A-1010.4	Legislative - Contractual	+12.70
From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-38.85
To	A-1330.4	Tax Collector - Contractual	+38.85
From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-6,975.00
To	A-1420.4	Law – Contractual	+6,975.00
From	A-1620.202	Buildings – Improvements	-2,435.34
To	A-1620.2	Buildings – Capital Outlay	+2,435.34
From	A-1990.4	Contingent	-5,422.00
To	A-3620.13	Pers Serv-Code Enforcement	+5,000.00
To	A-3620.134	Pers Serv-Building Inspector	+422.00
From		Fund Balance	-34,516.87
To	DA-5110.4	Maint. Of Road – Contractual	+34,516.87
From		Fund Balance	-4,557.80
To	DA-5130.4	Machinery-Contractual	+4,557.80
From	DA-9089.803	Employee Benefits-Uniforms	-24.00
To	DA-9089.802	Employee Benefits-Drug&Alcohol	+24.00

And be it further RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize that Abstract #320, consisting of 2012 Vouchers #2300 through #2388 in the amount of \$144,946.94 is approved for payment.

The total amount to be paid from the:

General Fund - \$47,909.16

Highway Fund - \$61,740.88

Cap. Library Fund - \$10,297.68

Cap. Sewer Fund -

Hydrant - \$7,500.00

Sewer Fund - \$17,033.21

Water Fund - \$450.07

Trust & Agency - \$15.94

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE AYE NAY

COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER AYE NAY

COUNCILPERSON PUORRO AYE NAY

COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER AYE NAY

SUPERVISOR BANTA AYE NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Approve Letter of Engagement for Library Attorney”

Councilperson_____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo approves the Engagement Letter to retain the services of Girvin & Ferlazzo, P.C. to act as counsel for the Cairo Public Library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign said Engagement Letter.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON_____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____



20TH ANNIVERSARY

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Jeffrey D. Honeywell
Partner

jdh@girvinlaw.com

September 20, 2012

Maureen Forrester
Chair of Library Board
Cairo Public Library
512 Main Street
P.O. Box 720
Cairo, NY 12413

Re: Letter of Engagement and Retainer

Dear Ms. Forrester:

This letter will serve as our written Letter of Engagement and Retainer setting forth our agreement pursuant to which you have retained the services of Girvin & Ferlazzo, P.C., to act as counsel for the Cairo Public Library. Girvin & Ferlazzo, P.C., has agreed to represent Cairo Public Library with respect to current construction disputes and issues which exist relating to the newly constructed library and any other miscellaneous legal issues which may arise. Our services will be provided on an hourly fee basis at the rate of \$160 per hour, exclusive of disbursements. Should you request legal representation with respect to any other matter, a separate Letter of Engagement and Retainer will be prepared.

In addition to the hourly fee, you are also responsible for reimbursing Girvin & Ferlazzo, P.C., for any costs or disbursements which may be advanced on your behalf. Only hard disbursements such as federal express fees, fees for stenographic reporters, witness fees and court costs would be billed separately. We do not bill for phone or copy charges. We will send you a monthly statement every thirty days itemizing the legal services provided, the attorney performing such services, the hourly rate applied, the total attorneys' fees incurred for that period, any costs and disbursements incurred for that period, and the total balance due. Invoices are payable upon receipt.

In the event that there is a dispute as to fees, you may have the right to arbitrate the dispute pursuant to Part 137 of the Rules of the Chief Administrator. We would be happy to provide you with a copy of these rules at your request. Enclosed for your review is a Statement of Client's Rights and Responsibilities.

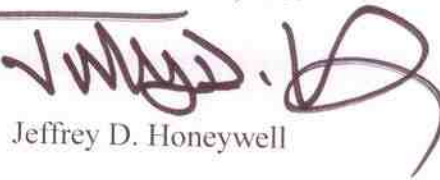
September 28, 2012

If the above is acceptable to you, please sign below and return this letter to me. Thank you for allowing us to be of service to you in this matter.

Very truly yours,

GIRVIN & FERLAZZO, P.C.

By:



Jeffrey D. Honeywell

JDH:jlf

Enclosure

Agreed:



Maureen Forrester

Date: 10/19/12

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Authorize Building & Code Enforcement Attendance at Tri-County 6 Conference”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Building & Code Enforcement Officer to attend the Tri-County Educational Conference in Middletown/Goshen on December 5th and 6th to obtain the rest of their mandated continuing education & certification hours; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that expenses will be reimbursed according to the Town of Cairo Travel Policy.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**“Authorization for Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to Purchase
Under New York State Contract
One F350 4X4 Crew Cab Pick Up Truck”**

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to purchase under New York State contract one F350 4X4 crew cab pick up truck with snow plow.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**“Authorization for Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to Purchase
Under New York State Contract
One F350 4X4 Regular Cab Pick Up Truck”**

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to purchase under New York State contract one F350 4X4 regular cab pick up truck with snow plow.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Authorization for Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to Re-bid with new specifications For Two F550’s Regular Cab and Chassis Trucks with a Diesel Motors”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to re-bid with new specifications For Two F550’s Regular Cab and Chassis Trucks with a Diesel Motors fitted with snow removal equipment.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE ____ NAY ____ ABSENT ____ CARRIED ____ DEFEATED ____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**“Authorization for Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead
To Bid on One 1990 Ford Bucket Truck through Auctions International”**

Councilperson_____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to bid on one 1990 Ford Bucket Truck through Auctions International; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purchase price will not exceed \$15,000.00.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE ____ NAY ____ ABSENT ____ CARRIED ____ DEFEATED ____

TOWN OF CAIRO

October 24, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Authorize Assessor to Attend One Day Ethics Seminar”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Assessor to attend the One Day Seminar-Ethics & the Assessor at Columbia-Greene Community College on November 16, 2012. The cost of the seminar is \$95 and will be reimbursed by the State of NY if proof of payment and attendance is submitted within 30 days from the date of the class; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that expenses will be reimbursed according to the Town of Cairo Travel Policy.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

COUNCILPERSON JOYCE	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON OSTRANDER	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON PUORRO	AYE	NAY
COUNCILPERSON SUTTMEIER	AYE	NAY
SUPERVISOR BANTA	AYE	NAY

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

Ethics and the Assessor
Application

Amount Paid \$85 \$95 \$110

Name: _____

Town: _____

Title: _____

IAO: Yes _____ No _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Enclose a check or your Municipality's completed
voucher for the amount you qualify for. Make
checks payable to:

New York State Assessors' Association
c/o Patricia McVee, IAO
Town of Bethlehem
445 Delaware Ave.
Delmar, NY 12054

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Ethics and the Assessor



*The Institute of Assessing Officers
Affiliated with the New York State
Assessors' Association Presents a
One Day Seminar at:*

**Columbia-Greene Community College
PAC Building
Hudson, NY**

November 16, 2012

About the Course

Ethics and the Assessors

Ethics for Assessors is being offered to help local assessing officials understand the ethical dilemmas they may run into during the normal course of their work-day. You will receive information on the laws that address ethics, such as, Conflicts of Interest of Municipal Officers and Employees, RPTL Sec. 336, Statement of Disclosure for Assessors, Freedom of Information Laws and Open Meetings Laws. There will be real life question and answer sessions that will be explored through group discussion.

An Ethics course is now required for all Assessors and County Directors that have been elected, appointed, re-elected or reappointed within the last year. You will have one year to fulfill this new requirement.

IAO Re-certification Credits

The Institute of Assessing Officers will award (6) re-certification credits to all Institute Members who attend this seminar. Eligible Assessors and County Directors who attend will receive basic certification and reimbursement from ORPS, pursuant to their rules .

About the Instructor

Edye McCarthy IAO

Assessor—Town of Greenburgh

Edye McCarthy, IAO is currently the Assessor for the Town of Greenburgh in Westchester County. Edye received her B.S. degree from the University of Florida in Real Estate and holds a Master's Degree from New York University in Real Estate. She is Past President of the New York State Assessors' Association as well as Past President of Westchester County Assessors' Association. Edye has instructed at the Annual Conference, Cornell Seminar and at One-Day Seminars for the Institute of Assessing Officers.

Registration Information

Registration: 8:30 AM
Coffee & Pastry

Seminar: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Lunch Included

Date: November 16, 2012

General Information

November 16, 2012

Location: PAC Building
Columbia-Greene
Community College
4400 Route 23
Hudson, NY 12534

Tuition:

\$85.00—IAO Members

\$95.00—NYSAA Members

\$110.00— All Others

Tuition Includes:

Course Materials, Coffee, Pastry,
Lunch, Breaks

Reservations must be made by:

November 9, 2012

Enrollment is limited to the first 30 applications received. No refunds after November 15, 2012. Consider your reservation confirmed unless otherwise notified.

Call Pat McVee for any information,
(518)439-4955; Fax (518) 439-1699 ;

Email: pmcvee@townofbethlehem.org



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20th September 2012

Re: Town of Cairo Fossil Site

Dear Mr Banta,

I am writing to express the gratitude and appreciation of our international research team for the permissions and support provided by the Town Board of Cairo and yourself in particular, in relation to the recent drilling of 6 cores at Cairo Quarry. Our research team involves collaborations between the Universities of Sheffield, Cardiff and Southampton in the UK, SUNY-Binghamton University, and the New York State Museum, investigating *"The Evolutionary Rise of Deep-Rooting Forests and Enhanced Chemical Weathering"*.

Our research team have been made very welcome at Cairo, and on behalf of the team, I wish to express our immense gratitude for the all the assistance provided, the interest of the local press, and all the logistical support received to enable the drilling work to take place. The Highway Superintendant, Mr Hempstead, was exceptionally obliging and helpful and I have written separately to thank him personally, but we would like also to pass on our thanks to others such as the truck drivers to whom we are greatly indebted. Without this support and assistance the venture would not have been possible.

The samples we have obtained are revealing the extent of the root systems of some of the earliest trees to grown on Earth and we are seeking evidence of the extent to which the rise of forested ecosystems across the world changed soil properties- with effects that are thought to have fed back to control the chemistry of the oceans and atmosphere over the past 370 million years.

The 6 cores we have taken from Cairo Quarry will be subjected to detailed description, photography and chemical analysis over the next year, and should allow us to find out much more about what the forest site was like when the trees lived there. Early indications are that these cores will be very insightful and we are looking forward to sharing the results with the town once our analyses are complete. On the basis of the success with the drilling it is likely that we will wish to request permission for additional follow-up sampling next year.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Leake



Principal Investigator: *Evolutionary Rise of Deep-Rooting Forests and Enhanced Chemical Weathering*.



**American
Red Cross**

New York-Penn
Blood Services Region

845 Central Avenue
Albany, N.Y. 12206

Tarat Debbie,

On behalf of hospital patients in your community, thank you for
your commitment to the American Red Cross blood program.

As a dedicated blood drive sponsor, your leadership in the coming
months will help prevent blood shortages.

The need is constant. The gratification instant. Give Blood.

Cairo Town Hall

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BLOOD DRIVE ON 9/24/12

BLOOD DONATION GOAL 26 DONORS SCHEDULED 14

DONATIONS COLLECTED 28 FIRST TIME DONORS 6

PATIENTS HELPED 84

Thank you for helping to save lives!

Awesome Job Thank you!
Anne Topping

882 Route 20
Cairo, NY 12413

Town Board
512 Main Street
Cairo, NY 12413

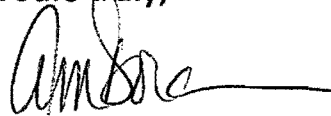
Dear Board:

I am writing to you today to let you know how much my family and I have enjoyed using the new library. It is a tremendous asset to our community.

Over the past summer we frequented the library about twice a week basis to get new books and attend some of the different programs that the library was offering. I personally read over two dozen books and together as a family we read about 50 books. This would not have been possible for us to do if we were purchasing the books. This ability to get new books so often has opened up a love of reading for both of my sons. Not many moms of a 10 and 11 year old can say that!

As a mother, a teacher in the public school system, as well as a tax payer, I realize the importance of the library to my family as well as to our town. In the present economic climate, our community needs to have the library and the important services that it offers. Please continue to support our library and do not make any cuts to this important community facility.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ailish M. Doran', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ailish M. Doran