



Minutes

**Town of Cairo
Town Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
Location: Town Hall Meeting Room**

August 3, 2015

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a Town Board meeting on Monday, August 3, 2015 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Supervisor Ted Banta, called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM and then asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. The following Board Members were in attendance: Councilpersons Cords, Ostrander and Joyce. Councilperson Puorro was absent.

Resolution No. 144-15 “Receipt of Monthly Supervisor’s Report” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

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 June, 2015.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 145-15 “Authorization for Clerical Work” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize Victoria Smith to work 3 hours per week for website, technology, and social media work.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 146-15 “Authorization for Economic Development Work”

offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Cords:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve Kathoderay Media’s proposals in the amounts of \$2,970 for Business Profile Development and \$5,325 for an updated website.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 147-15 “Schedule Animal Control Law Public Hearing”

offered by Councilperson Cords and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby agree to schedule the Animal Control Laws Public Hearing for a proposed amendment to Local Law No. 3 of 2014 and for the Proposed Law No. 4 of 2015 for September 14, 2015 at 6:30 PM.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 148-15 “Schedule Continuation of Zoning Law Public

Hearing” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Cords:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby agree to schedule the continuation of the Zoning Law Public Hearing for any new comment for August 20, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 149-15 “Budget Amendments and Payment of Bills on

Abstract #317” offered by Councilperson Joyce and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

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	-642.91
To	A-1010.4	Legislative-Contractual	+642.91
From		Fund Balance	-6,953.52

To SW-8320.4 Source of Supply-Contractual +6,953.52

And be it further RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize that Abstract #317, consisting of 2015 Vouchers #1907 through #2022 in the amount of \$118,592.03 is approved for payment.

The total amount to be paid from the:

General Fund -	\$53,235.69	Hydrant -	\$7,500.00
Highway Fund -	\$31,161.98	Sewer Fund -	\$11,772.33
Cap. Water Fund -		Water Fund -	\$14,820.58
Cap. Sewer Fund -		Trust & Agency -	\$101.45

All members in favor – motion carried.

The Board Members discussed writing letter to State to reduce speed limit on Route 32 coming into Cairo.

Councilperson Joyce explained that the Town has been with Trident Insurance for Liability Insurance. He spoke with Marshall and Sterling and recommended changing to their insurance company because they will save \$8000 in the first year. They must stay with Marshall and Sterling for 5 years.

Resolution No. 150-15 “Sign with NYMIR-New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal” offered by Councilperson Joyce and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby agree to change insurance companies to NYMIR for Liability Insurance for the next 5 years.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Supervisor Banta explained the property next to school was given to the Town by Wells Fargo and in turn the Town will work with the Cairo-Durham School District to develop the highest and best use for the School. The Town Board will engage in an agreement to transfer ownership of the property to the School District in the future.

Resolution No. 151-15 “Sign Contract for Trane Service Agreement” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby agree to sign contract for 2015/2016 Trane Service Agreement.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 152-15 “Schedule a Hearing with John Sietz – Property Owner” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Cords:

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby agree to schedule a Hearing for violations with John Sietz at 171 Bross Street for September 14, 2015.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Supervisor Banta reported about the Ribbon cutting ceremony for the Honeycomb Adaptive Swing in the Town Park playground.

Supervisor Banta reported on the well supply and drilling for the town. The objective is: 1. to upgrade water supply line on Jerome Avenue and other insufficient lines; 2. Replace Water Tank; 3. Find another water source; 4. Expand Water District. The Town is seeking funding and is working with Assemblyman Peter Lopez’s office. Supervisor Banta met with Water and Sewer Administrator Mike Lamanec and Engineer Alan Tavener on July 8, 2015 for Well Water Source Funding. Banta also reported there was a meeting held on July 29, 2015 to discuss a well water source with private landowners of a local property considered.

The Town is trying to expand the sewer system which can provide for expansion for the Town.

Supervisor Banta reported that the Town did not get the grant they applied for, which was the community block State Grant for possibly upwards of \$300,000.00. Catskill Mountain Housing is working with Town and put together the grant. There will be an exit interview to find out why the Town did not receive the grant. Through this grant writing, they found out there were funds left over from the early 2000’s in the amount of about \$60,000.00. The town is going to disburse this money to over 20 candidates who submitted applications that are income qualified. This money will help the homeowner make upgrades to their homes.

Greene County Emergency Notification is seeking a new vendor for their emergency notifications. They are in process of interviewing new vendors. This will enable the towns to utilize the emergency notification system at no cost.

Councilperson Ostrander also explained that with the new Town of Cairo website, they can put an emergency banner that scrolls across screen alerting residents of any important situation.

As part of the economic development work, the Town is updating the website and we are also putting together a business development profile. Supervisor Banta explained that he is on the County Business Advisory Committee. The Committee has a campaign to revitalize Main Streets in areas throughout the county. They did a business development package for the County.

Supervisor Banta commented on the Water and Sewer problems. He commended Mike Lamanec for all the work he is doing because he has had one crisis after another. It was suggested by Councilperson Joyce to form a committee to rewrite the laws on water and sewer to bring them up to date. There was a law passed back in 2000 stating that the homeowners are responsible from the main to their building. There have been many homeowners that feel this is not right. It should be from the building to the shutoff.

Resolution No. 153 -15 “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 7:45 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. 154 -15 “Board to exit Executive Session” offered by Councilperson Cords and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby exit Executive Session at 8:40 PM.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 155 -15 “Sponsor Christina Geoghegan in Police Academy” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby agree to sponsor Christina Geoghegan in the Police Academy.

All members in favor – motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara A. Rumph, RMC, CMC
Cairo Town Clerk