



TOWN OF CAIRO

GENERAL/REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

December 11, 2013 @ 4:00PM

Location: Town Hall, Cairo

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence: Frank Lang Sr.

Attendance

Presentations: Rick Busch

Public Hearing: Right to Farm Local Law #5 2013 @ 5pm

Approval of Minutes: November 13, 2013

Reports: Department/Consultant Reports

Work Sessions with Departments as applicable: Code Enforcement

Appointments & Resolutions

Unfinished Business:

- **Solar Energy Update**
- **Cairo Historical Society**
- **Well Water Supply**
- **Animal Control**
- **Police Computer Donation**

New Business:

- **Letter for Casino**
- **Accountant Engagement Letter 2014**
- **Right to Farm Law**
- **2014 Columbia Greene Humane Society Contract**
- **Sherry's View 30 Day Waiver Request**

Correspondence

- **Letter from Planning Board**
- **Correspondence regarding Renewable Energy**

Adjournment

Farewell to Councilperson Suttmeier



TOWN OF CAIRO

Frank Lang Sr.

Frank Lang Sr. was employed for 18 years with the Town of Cairo Highway Dept. He worked as an equipment operator for the highway dept. under the administration of two Highway Supervisors, Harold Bishop and Barry Arp. He started in July 1980 and retired in October 1998. He is survived by his wife, Marta; four children, 9 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Daily Mail:

Frank P. Lang Sr., 73, of Catskill, New York, died Friday November 29, 2013 at home surrounded by his family after a valiant battle with cancer.

Born November 13, 1940.

Frank retired from the Town of Cairo. He loved farming, gardening, and being outdoors with his animals.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years Marta C. Lang of Catskill, four children, Kelly (Jim) Penney, Frank P. (Catherine) Lang Jr., Penny (Jim) Konstalid, and Brenda (John) Olivett all from Catskill, his brother Peter Lang of New Hampshire, nine grandchildren, Kristina (Chris) Forstbauer, James Penney IV, Frank (Megan) Lang, Cassandra Lang, Rachel Lang, Michael Schepp, Roxanne (Tom) Slater, Ashley Schepp and Jenna Olivett, three great grandchildren, Ryder, Amiley and TJ, and his best friend for many years, Jim Kusisto and family.

Frank was preceded in death by his son Brian S. Lang, father and mother Peter and Matilda Lang, sisters Matilda Barkman and Rose Haring, brother Jake Lang and infant brother Pete Lang.

Per Franks' request, he is being cremated and a private gathering will take place at a later date.

The family would like to offer their sincere thanks to the staff at Hospice of Greene County for the excellent care provided to Frank.

Memorial contributions in Frank's name may be made to Community Hospice, 47 Liberty Street, Catskill, NY, 12414.

TOWN OF CAIRO
December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

ENACTING A RIGHT TO FARM LOCAL LAW

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Cairo hereby determines that in accordance with the Town of Cairo Comprehensive Plan, it is appropriate to take measures to protect farming in the Town and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has duly published and held a public hearing on a local establishing a Right to Farm local law.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo hereby enacts a local law establishing a Right To Farm, as set forth in the attached.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____



TOWN OF CAIRO

Public Hearing

December 11, 2013 @ 5:00PM

Location: Town Hall, Cairo

Reason/Proposal: To establish a Right to Farm Law-Local Law #5 2013

Section 3. Purpose and Legislative Intent:

The Town Board recognizes farming is an essential enterprise and an important industry which enhances the economic base, natural environment and quality of life in the Town of Cairo. The Town Board further declares that it shall be the policy of this Town to encourage agriculture and foster understanding by all residents of the necessary day-to-day operations involved in farming so as to encourage cooperation with those practices. It is the general purpose and intent of this law to maintain and preserve the rural traditions and character of the Town, to permit the continuation of agricultural practices, to protect the existence and operation of farms, to encourage the initiation and expansion of farms and agri-businesses, and to promote new ways to resolve disputes concerning agricultural practices and farm operations. In order to maintain a viable farming economy in the Town of Cairo, it is necessary to limit the circumstances under which farming may be deemed to be nuisance and to allow agricultural practices inherent to and necessary for the business of farming to proceed and be undertaken free of unreasonable and unwarranted interference or restriction.

Town Clerk: Notice of Hearing

Please take notice that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held on the 11th day of December, the year 2013 at 5:00pm at the Town Hall located on Main Street, Cairo, County of Greene, State of New York. The purpose of the meeting is to receive public comment on a local law establishing a Right To Farm within the Town of Cairo. Copies of the proposed local law are available in the Town Clerk's Office.

By Order of the Town Board
Tara A. Rumph, Town Clerk

Supervisor: Review of Public Hearing Procedure:

- Speakers must raise their hand, be called upon by the Supervisor to speak, identify themselves-stating full name, direct their comments to the Town Board, and state clearly & briefly why they are in favor or against the proposal.
- Speakers may not speak a second time until all those who wish to speak have spoken once. Speakers may be held to a 5 minute time frame. Speak clearly, intelligently, and responsibly. Avoid redundancy. Be courteous & respectful.
- The Town Board may choose to listen and not comment.

**TOWN OF CAIRO
LOCAL LAW #5 OF 2013
RIGHT TO FARM**

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent and Purpose

The Town Board recognizes farming is an essential enterprise and an important industry which enhances the economic base, natural environment and quality of life in the Town of Cairo. The Town Board further declares that it shall be the policy of this Town to encourage agriculture and foster understanding by all residents of the necessary day-to-day operations involved in farming so as to encourage cooperation with those practices. It is the general purpose and intent of this law to maintain and preserve the rural traditions and character of the Town, to permit the continuation of agricultural practices, to protect the existence and operation of farms, to encourage the initiation and expansion of farms and agri-businesses, and to promote new ways to resolve disputes concerning agricultural practices and farm operations. In order to maintain a viable farming economy in the Town of Cairo, it is necessary to limit the circumstances under which farming may be deemed to be nuisance and to allow agricultural practices inherent to and necessary for the business of farming to proceed and be undertaken free of unreasonable and unwarranted interference or restriction.

Section 2. Definitions

1. "Farmland" shall mean land used in agricultural production, as defined in subdivision four of section 301 of Article 25AA of the State Agriculture and Markets Law.
2. "Farmer" shall mean any person, organization, entity, association, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation engaged in the business of agriculture, whether for profit or otherwise, including the cultivation of land, the raising of crops, or the raising of livestock.
3. "Agricultural products" shall mean those products as defined in section 301(2) of Article 25AA of the State Agriculture and Markets Law, including but not limited to:
 - a. Field crops, including corn, wheat, rye, barley, hay, potatoes and dry beans.
 - b. Fruits, including apples, peaches, grapes, cherries and berries.
 - c. Vegetables, including tomatoes, snap beans, cabbage, carrots, beets and onions.
 - d. Horticultural specialties, including greenhouses, nursery stock, ornamental shrubs, ornamental trees and flowers.
 - e. Livestock and livestock products, including cattle, sheep, hogs, goats, horses, poultry, llamas, ratites, such as ostriches, emus, rheas and kiwis, farmed deer, farmed buffalo, fur bearing animals, milk and milk products, eggs, furs, and poultry products.
 - f. Maple sap and sugar products.
 - g. Christmas trees derived from a managed Christmas tree operation whether dug for transplanting or cut from the stump.
 - h. Aquaculture products, including fish, fish products, water plants and shellfish.
 - i. Short rotation woody crops raised for bioenergy.
 - j. Production and sale of woodland products, including but not limited to logs, lumber, posts and firewood.
 - k. Beekeeping.

4. "Agricultural practices" shall mean those practices necessary for the on-farm production, preparation and marketing of agricultural commodities. Examples of such practices include, but are not limited to, operation of farm equipment, proper use of agricultural chemicals and other crop production methods, and construction and use of farm structures.

5. "Farm operation" shall be defined in section 301 (11) in the State Agriculture and Markets Law and shall include the land and on-farm buildings, equipment, manure processing and handling facilities, and practices which contribute to the production, preparation and marketing of crops, livestock and live stock products including a "commercial horse boarding operation" as a commercial enterprise, with \$2,000 or more in annual gross sales.

Section 3. Right-to-Farm Declaration

Farmers, as well as those employed, retained, or otherwise authorized to act on behalf of farmers, may lawfully engage in agricultural practices within this Town at all times and all such locations as are reasonably necessary to conduct the business of agriculture. For any agricultural practice, in determining the reasonableness of the time, place, and methodology of such practice, due weight and consideration shall be given to both traditional customs and procedures in the farming industry as well as to advances resulting from increased knowledge, research and improved technologies. Agricultural practices conducted on farmland shall not be found to be a public or private nuisance if such agricultural practices are:

1. Reasonable and necessary to the particular farm or farm operation,
2. Conducted in a manner which is not negligent or reckless,
3. Conducted in conformity with generally accepted and sound agricultural practices,
4. Conducted in conformity with all local state, and federal laws and regulations,
5. Conducted in a manner which does not constitute a threat to public health and safety or cause injury to health or safety of any person, and
6. Conducted in a manner which does not reasonably obstruct the free passage or use of navigable waters or public roadways.

Nothing in this local law shall be construed to prohibit an aggrieved party from recovering from damages for bodily injury or wrongful death due to a failure to follow sound agricultural practice, as outlined in this section.

Section 4. Notification of Real Estate Buyers

In order to promote harmony between farmers and their neighbors, the Town requires land holders and/or their agents and assigns to comply with Section 310 of Article 25-AA of the State Agriculture and Markets Law and provide notice to prospective purchasers and occupants as follows: "It is the policy of this state and the Town of Cairo to conserve, protect and encourage the development and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other products and also for its natural and ecological value. This notice is to inform prospective residents that the property they are about to acquire lies partially or wholly within an agricultural district and that farming activities occur within the district. Such farming activities may include, but not be limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors." This notice shall be provided to prospective purchase of property within an agricultural district or on property with boundaries within 500 feet of a farm operation located in an agricultural district. A copy of this notice shall be included by the seller or seller's agent as an addendum to the purchase and sale contract at the time an offer to purchase is made.

Section 5. Resolution of Disputes

1. Should any controversy arise regarding any inconveniences or discomfort occasioned by agricultural operations which cannot be settled by direct negotiation between the parties involved, either party may submit the controversy to a dispute resolution committee as set forth below in an attempt to resolve the matter prior to the filing of any court action and prior to a request for a determination by the Commission or Agriculture and Markets about whether the practice in question is sound pursuant to Section 308 of Article 25AA of the State Agriculture and Markets Law.

2. Any controversy between the parties shall be submitted to the committee within thirty (30) days of the last date of occurrence of the particular activity giving rise to the controversy or the date the party became aware of the occurrence.

3. The committee shall be composed of three (3) members from the Town selected by the Town Board, as the need arises, including one representative from the farm community, one person from Town government and one person mutually agreed upon by both parties involved in the dispute.

4. The effectiveness of the committee as a forum for the resolution of disputes is dependent upon full discussion and complete presentation of all pertinent facts concerning the dispute in order to eliminate any misunderstandings. The parties are encouraged to cooperate in the exchange of pertinent information concerning the controversy.

5. The controversy shall be presented to the committee by written request of one of the parties within the time limits specified. Therefore after, the committee may investigate the facts of the controversy but must, within twenty-five (25) days, hold a meeting at a mutually agreed place and time to consider the merits of the matter and within five (5) days of the meeting render a written decision to the parties. At the time of the meeting, both parties shall have an opportunity to present what each considers are pertinent facts. No party bringing a complaint to the committee for settlement or resolution may be represented by counsel unless the opposing party is also represented by counsel. The time limits provided in this subsection for action by the committee may be extended upon the written stipulation of all parties in the dispute.

6. Any reasonable costs associated with the function of the committee process shall be borne by the participants.

Section 6. Severability Clause

If any part of this local law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this Local Law. The Town hereby declares that it would have passed this local law and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of these sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 7. Precedence

This Local Law and its provisions are in addition to all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

Section 8. Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.



Town of Cairo
Work Session Meeting
November 13, 2013

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a work session meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York

Supervisor Banta called the meeting to order at 4:10 and then asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the flag. Councilperson Ostrander, Councilperson Joyce, Councilperson Suttmeier were present. Councilperson Puorro was absent.

The minutes from the October 23, 2013 Board Meeting was accepted by Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

Supervisor Banta presented a certificate to Office Tom Plank for his 20 years of service with the DARE Program.

Supervisor Banta announce there will be a Zoning meeting on November 25, 2013 at 3:30 pm and December 2, 2013 at 4:00 pm.

Supervisor Banta announced that the well drilling will be starting next week in the Town Park.

Resolution No. 242-13 “Appoint Police Sergeant” offered by Supervisor Banta and seconded by Councilperson Suttmeier.

WHEREAS, Richard Busch was appointed in March 2013 by Resolution 89-13 as Provisional Sergeant for the Town of Cairo Police Department and;

WHEREAS, Civil Service has informed the Town that Richard Busch is on the Civil Service list and can be selected for a standard appointment as Sergeant; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby appoint Richard Busch as Police Sergeant for the Town of Cairo Police Department and is hereby hires from the Greene County Civil Service Sergeant list.

All members in favor - motion carried.

Resolution No. 243-13 “Officer in Charge Salary” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

WHEREAS, Richard Busch was appointed in Resolution 89-13 as Provisional Sergeant and Officer in Charge for the Town of Cairo Police Department on March 22, 2013 and

WHEREAS, an hourly wage was set for Provisional Sergeant in Resolution 93-13 and:

WHEREAS, Richard Busch was appointed to the status of Sergeant today, November 13, 2013 and;

WHEREAS, Resolution 93-13 fails to provide for a salary for the Officer in Charge; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby set a salary of \$10,000.00 for Officer in Charge for the Town of Cairo Police Department for the time period of March 22, 2013 to December 31, 2013.

All members in favor – motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 244-13 “Sewer Moratorium Lifted” Offered by Supervisor Banta and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander.

WHEREAS, Kevin O’Conner & Andrea Dziewa stated in an email on October 29, 2013 that:

“Andrea & I agree that the moratorium should be lifted. I intend on sending a follow up letter indicating that but please consider the moratorium lifted and the requirements of the Order satisfied with email”, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby remove and/or lift the Sewer Moratorium. The Town’s sewer system is now capable of accepting new users and hook-ups-WE ARE OPEN FOR NEW BUSINESS.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 245-13 “CDPHP Health Insurance” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce

WHEREAS, due to Affordable Care Act mandates that become effective January 1, 2014 and the current CDPHP plan scheduled to retire upon renewal; and

WHEREAS, CDPHP health insurance has a plan that is similar and includes the 10 Essential Health Benefits which includes Pediatric Dental & Vision; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby offer CDPHP health insurance plan HDEPO 3000 RX8-337-SUSF3061 as presented by EP Nevins Insurance Agency, Inc. to full-time employees effective January 2014.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No.246-13 “Delaware Engineering PC Change Order 2” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce

WHEREAS, there was an approved contract in the amount of \$293,775.32 between the Cairo Town Board and Delaware Engineering PC for Wastewater Plant Improvement Engineering; and

WHEREAS, the engineer added design and bidding services, and construction phase services due to delays; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract change order no. 2 for Delaware Engineering PC be approved in the amount of \$21,919.14 for a total contract price of \$315,694.46.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 247-13 “Accepting Water Billing dated October 3, 2013” offered by Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Water Billing be authorized by the Town Board and documented in the minutes; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the Water Billing as presented form the Water Clerk in the amount of \$46,170.86 dated October 3, 2013.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 248-13 “American Evergreen, Inc. Change Order 1” offered by Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander

WHEREAS, there was an approved contract in the amount of \$621,700.00 between the Cairo Town Board and contractor American Evergreen Inc. for the sewer force main; and

WHEREAS, there was a final adjustment of unit quantity items for items not used; and

WHEREAS, this adjustment is a reduction of \$36,670.50; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract order no. 1 for American Evergreen, Inc be approved in the amount of \$36,670.50 for a total contract of \$585,029.50.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 249-13 “Accept the 2014 Budget” offered by Councilperson Suttmeier and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby accept the Adopted 2014 Budget-Budget of Record for 2014.

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 250-13 “Authorization for Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to Purchase One 2014 Ford F350 Crew Cab” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and Seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

WHEREAS. Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead rebid one Ford F350 Crew Cab.

WHEREAS, said bids were opened in the office of the Town Clerk on November 6, 2013 at 2:30pm. Present for the bid opening were Robert F. Hempstead, Highway Superintendent, Debra Sommer, Deputy Highway Superindendent, Tara Rumph, Town Clerk, and Mauve Bolger, Clerk. Three Bids were received and are as follows:

All American Ford of Kingston	\$35,684.00
West Herr	\$29,159.00
RC Lacy, Inc	\$28,950.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent to purchase one 2014 Ford F350 Crew Cab from RC Lacy, Inc. for a purchase price of \$28,950.00

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 251-13 “Authorization for Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to Purchase one 2014 Ford F550 Cab/Chassis” offered by Supervisor Banta and Seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

WHEREAS, Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead rebid one 2014 Ford F550 Cab/Chassis.

WHEREAS, said bids were opened in the office of the Town Clerk on November 6, 2013 at 2:30pm. Present for the bid opening were Robert F. Hempstead, Highway Superintendent, Debra Sommer, Deputy Highway Superintendent, Tara Rumph, Town Clerk, and Mauve Bolger, Clerk. Three bids were received and are as follows:

All American Ford of Kingston	\$42,692.00
West Herr	\$42,030.00
RC Lacy, Inc.	\$41,450.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent Robert F. Hempstead to purchase one 2014 F550 Cab/Chassis form RC Lacy, Inc. for a purchase price of \$41,450.00

All members in favor – motion carried

Resolution No. 252-13 “Receipt of Monthly Supervisor 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 October 2013

All members in favor – motion carried.

Resolution No. 253-13 “Appoint Animal Control Officer” offered by Councilperson Joyce and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby appoint Brian Femel as Animal Control Officer at his current wage of \$11.35 with a 2 hour minimum.

All members in favor – motion carried

Resolution No. 254-13 “Approval for Terrace Manor Project” offered by Supervisor Banta and Seconded by Councilperson Ostrander.

WHEREAS, the owner of Terrace Manor has met all local regulations for the expansion of the existing Mobile Home Park located on Ross Ruland Rd in South Cairo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve the Terrace Manor Project.

All members in favor – motion carried

Resolution No. 255-13 “Approval for a three year contract for the Round Top Fire Department” offered by Councilperson Ostrander and seconded by Councilperson Joyce.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve a 3 year contract with the Round Top Fire Department with a 2% increase each year.

All Members in favor – motion carried

Resolution No. 256-13 “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 5:00pm

All members in favor – motion carried

Resolution No. 257-13 “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 the Executive Session at 5:28pm.

All members in favor – motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilperson Joyce and seconded by Councilperson Ostrander to adjourn the meeting at 5:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Litchko

Clerk

**Town of Cairo
Ambulance Service**

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

**Monthly Report
November 15, 2013**

Total Calls for October..... 67
Total Transported Calls..... 48
Total Non-transported Calls.....19

Total Amount Billed_____ \$ 39,760

Miscellaneous Items of Interest:

1. Employee evaluations commencing on November 18, 2013
2. State Police have recommended that the building be kept locked when no one is in quarters. This will require keys, or some type of electronic control system.
3. Any decision made in regard to increasing the internet speed to the station through Mid-Hudson cable? Cost will increase about Five dollars per month to double the speed.

TOWN OF CAIRO BOARD MEETING
ASSESSOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

November & December

New Business: 22 property transfers for the month of October

NYS Tax & Finance has sent out 2nd notices for Basic Star recipients who have not responded to the first mailing of Basic Star registration deadline December 31, 2013

CLOSING

Janice Hull
Sole Assessor



TOWN OF CAIRO

BUILDING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

October 22, 2013 – December 10, 2013

(14) Building Permits Issued

(01) Certificates of Occupancy Issued

(12) Certificates of Compliance Issued

(22) Violations & Complaints

(02) Violations Pending Court

(00) Violation Pending with the Town Board

(54) Total Inspections were performed on current projects, violations, and fire inspections

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- Attended Capital District Educational Conference 10/22/13 & 10/23/13 completing 24 of mandated training hours
 - GOAL for the month: Continue to work on fire inspections
 - Purchase equipment for Building Department

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Hours Mon. – Thur. 10am – 3pm & Fri. 10am – 2pm



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November 13, 2013

Supervisor Banta
Town Board Members

Re: Terrace Manor Mobile Home Park expansion

Please be advised that on October 15, 2013 I received revisions to the Terrace Manor site plan originally dated on April 12, 2013. The following revisions made, meet all mandated requirements of the Town of Cairo and complete the previously submitted application for the expansion of the Terrace Manor mobile Home Park.

- (1) All mobile home lots shown with their dimensions.
- (2) Erwin Plan specifications and design of street system shown
- (3) Driveways and off-street parking for each mobile home lot shown
- (4) Additional off-street parking spaces for guest and deliveries shown

Stacy Sprague
Code Enforcement Officer

Cc: Tal Rappleyea



Park Task Force Report

Meeting convened at 5:05 p.m. on November 12, 2013 at the Cairo Public Library.

In attendance: Ted Banta, Town Supervisor, Elizabeth Brinckerhoff, Task Force Chairperson, Linda Kuever, Fran Wolf, Kathy Brown, Mike Murphy, Doug Ostrander, Town Councilperson, Robert Hempstead, Dave Infantino, Delville Bink.

Agenda Items discussed:

1.Fund raising update:

To date, the Task Force has funding in the following amounts: \$2558.00 for the slide (purchased and ready for installation), \$615 toward the fitness center, \$1000.00 toward the basketball court, and \$447.50 from the bottle money collection.

2. Robert's update:

The parking lot/roadway has been paved and there is still some money left from FEMA. The walking pathway has been repaired. The top of Sleigh Ride hill has been cleared of brush, tree branches and debris. Eventually, the concrete barriers will be removed and replaced with W-beam in the spring. Robert talked with the Task Force about the possible use of the Hannaford donation toward some type of electronic signage.

A placement decision needs to be made for the slide; old dinosaur and old metal slide have now been removed from the children's area. Some of the logs near the concession area are broken causing a potential hazard. Vending machine RFP's went out with no responses. Should we purchase our own?

3.Future Goals:

- ✓ Next summer the Task Force would like to have enough money to install the fitness center. Elizabeth will apply for a Youth Grant (approximately \$1000.00) and to the Bank of Greene County (approximately \$2500.00).
- ✓ Winter Carnival in February (?) events to be discussed (possibly sleigh riding, walking, ice skating?); Chamber of Commerce had offered some assistance. Concession stand could be open with hot soups, hot beverages.
- ✓ A public address system for the Park with a possible donation by the American Legion.

4.General discussion items:

- ✓ Town picnic is scheduled for May 3, 2014. It will include a silent auction.
- ✓ The Town has the deed for the soccer field land and awaits notice regarding the grant for which Jill Snyder applied.
- ✓ The Task Force needs to provide more direction for placement of the designated smoking signs and will now wait until spring.
- ✓ Delville Bink indicated there is a problem with the lighting on the football field. It will be investigated.
- ✓ Hannaford donation: Elizabeth will send a thank you letter from the Task Force.

5.Gazebo update:

Elizabeth contacted GNH and they will give us the plans for free (a \$750 value). A decision needs to be made today. The GNH engineer will need a minimum 10 day turn around and with winter almost here, it is a concern as to whether Robert and his crew would be able to get a foundation done before winter. Doug Ostrander spoke with Mike Ragini about providing plans. Mr. Ragini will meet with the Task Force on November 14, 2013 to discuss his gazebo ideas.

The next regular Task Force meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 5:00 pm at the Cairo Public Library.

A special Task Force meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 5:00 pm in the Cairo Public Library.

Meeting adjourned: 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Fran Wolf

Special Meeting Report of the Task Force

A special meeting of the Park Task Force convened at 5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2013 at the Cairo Public Library.

In attendance: Elizabeth Brinckerhoff, Task Force Chairperson, Linda Kuever, Mike Murphy, Doug Ostrander, Town Councilperson, Robert Hempstead, Dave Infantino, Delville Bink, Janet McKeon and Carl Khors.

Guest presenter: Mike Ragini, contractor for the Athens Gazebo.

Mr. Ragini spoke to the Park Task Force about suggestions for the building of the gazebo. Those in attendance chose an octagon shape, 40 feet, emphasizing landscaping to enhance its appeal and the overall use of the gazebo.

Elizabeth will provide a photo and dimensions to Genn Hagan at GNH Lumber in Greenville. GNH will donate the plans for free; representing a \$750 value.

The Task Force will investigate bricks being donated for the pathway to the gazebo. This will provide a good fund raising activity and will foster community involvement. A suggestion was made to inscribe the bricks with the name of the donor.

Meeting was adjourned.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Task Force will be December 3, 2013, 5:00 pm at the Cairo Public Library.

Prepared on behalf of Elizabeth Brinckerhoff

Park Task Force Report

Meeting convened at 5:06 p.m. on December 3, 2013 at the Cairo Public Library.

In attendance: Ted Banta, Town Supervisor, Elizabeth Brinckerhoff, Task Force Chairperson, Fran Wolf, Kathy Brown, Doug Ostrander, Town Councilperson, Delville Bink.

Agenda Items discussed:

Slide update: The slide has arrived and an installation target date needs to be scheduled. Following the installation a dedication will be done with invitations extended to all donors, the Town Board and the Greene County Youth Bureau.

Other Park improvements: The rubber borders around the small children's playground will be removed and the area leveled off.

The side fencing will be closed in so there is one entrance through the Iza Trapani archway.

The broken large timbers in front of the concession stand have been removed and replaced with new lengths of pressure treated lumber.

The metal slide has been removed.

Robert has been clearing the brush at the top of Mountain Avenue and extending down the left side of sleigh ride hill.

The concrete barriers have been taken down and replaced with pressure treated lumber atop metal bars making the area look attractive and adding to the safety of that area.

Fitness Center: A target date of next summer will allow the Task Force to do the necessary fund raising. Elizabeth has completed the Youth Grant application.

Town Picnic: Scheduled date is May 3rd with a rain date of May 4th. The Task Force will start soliciting donations of bikes and auction items for the silent auction. This year the Task Force will need a new poster sponsor and will check with Hannaford.

Gazebo update: Current placement suggestion is to remove the old basketball court and place the gazebo in and around that area. In future years, additions can be made to the gazebo area to include rest rooms, an amphitheatre, additional parking and the like.

The next regular Task Force meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 5:00 pm at the Cairo Public Library.

Meeting adjourned: 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Fran Wolf



512 Main St., PO Box 728
Cairo, NY 12413

TOWN OF CAIRO WATER & SEWER MONTHLY REPORT

November & December 2013

Water Department

November

Worked on Tax Relevy and submitted to Greene County Real Property Tax Services. Received new billing program on November 15, 2013. Received a few phone calls about high water usage. Dave & I went out to these locations to check for leaks & to make sure meters are working. At the 1st location we found no leaks and that the water meter was working properly. Spoke to the home and explained this to him. At the second location we found that the water meter is working properly but his toilet was constantly running. Spoke with homeowner in regards to this. Turned water off at 21 Mountain Ave, 479 Main St, 59 Railroad Ave, 22 Railroad Ave and 29 Grove Street.

December

I am continuing to get complaints about high water usage. I am following up with all complaints. Water has been turned off at 14 Bross St. and 20 Williams St. I will be ordering markers for all hydrants. I received a phone call from Delores Boutin requesting that families that use less than 5000 gallons of water pay a lesser fee. She emailed Ted a nice letter letting him know how much excess water she has paid for in the last 17 years that she has not used. Albert will be going out to read meters at the end December.

- I will continue getting the new billing program set up
- I will continue to follow up with all high water complaints
- I will have markers installed on Hydrants

Sewer Department

November

Sewer was billed on November 15, 2013 because of the Tax Relevy it went out late. Resolution Submitted.

December

EDU was billed on December 3, 2013. Resolution submitted. Received 1 complaint about sewer bill. I have received 1 septic complaint in December. Joe Myers has gone out and checked on it and his findings were there was a sewer lateral clog that is the owners responsibility. He called the owner & explained all this to the. I meet with Joe

Myers at the Sewer treatment plant on December 10th for training on his new software program.

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Debbie Litchko



TOWN OF CAIRO SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

December 11, 2013 @ 4PM

Location: Town Hall of Cairo, Meeting Room

Notification of Meeting:

- Town Clerk's Board
- Town Hall
- Outdoor Bulletin Board
- Town Website
- Daily Mail
- Town Email from Clerk

Monthly Financial Report: October 2013 provided on November 13th
November 2013 provided on December 11th

Zoning:

- **Zoning Meetings 2013:**
 - o January 8th @ 4pm, January 15th @ 3:30pm, January 28th @ 4pm
 - o February 4th @ 4pm, February 15th @ 3pm, February 26th @ 10am
 - o March 15th @ 9am, March 26th @ 4pm
 - o April 8th @ 4pm, April 15th @ 3:30pm, April 22nd @ 3:30pm, April 29th @ 3:30pm
 - o May 6th @ 3:30pm, May 13th @ 3:30pm, May 22nd @ 3:30pm, May 31st @ 3:30pm
 - o June 18th @ 4pm, June 25th @ 4pm(completed review of classification chart)
 - o July 8th & 15th @ 4pm, next meeting July 25th @ 3:30pm
 - o August 12th @ 3:30pm

[February 28th, March 19th, & July 22nd meetings were cancelled]

*Completed review of the text on 5/13; reviewed zones on 5/22

*Final review completed on 8/12

Public Hearing held September 25th from 5pm to 7pm

Greene County Approved the Proposed Zoning Law with recommendations
- I have received several inquiries thus far regarding the Zoning Map and the zones that apply to the interested parties. I have instructed them to fill out a feedback form that is available on the homepage of the town's website if they have specific requests for changes.
 - o Documents posted on website:
 - Proposed Zoning Law
 - Proposed Zoning Map
 - Feedback Form
- **Final Process:**

- Hire John Lyons-Attorney & Zoning Moderator to evaluate proposed errors/contradictions/discrepancies.
- Town Board to meet with Town Counsel and John Lyons to discuss any discrepancies, review property owner requests, and apply any changes to the Zoning Law.
 - Additional Zoning Reviews: 11/11 @ 4pm, 11/25 @ 3:30pm, 12/2 @ 4pm, 12/17 @ 5pm
- Host another Public Hearing prior to approval of the Zoning Law.

Employee Meetings 2013:

- January 23rd, March 27th, April 24th (Employee Luncheon), May 29th, June 27th @ 10:30am
- October 8th @ 11am, Apple Pie/Cider/Hot Chocolate: October 23rd @ 1pm
- November 21st @ 11am, November 25th @ 11am-Healthcare Orientation

2014 Budget:

- Adopted on November 13, 2013

Parks:

- Gazebo project:
 - Wood to be donated by B&B Forest Products
 - Metzger will donate labor and resources to cut the wood
 - Town personnel will build the gazebo
 - \$750 donated by GNH-the Gazebo Plans
 - Identified site for Gazebo
- Grant Initiative:
 - CFA Grant completed by Jill Snyder and submitted on August 12th
- Soccer Fields: Patty Gibson completed and submitted grants for the Soccer Fields

Office Renovation:

- In progress

Annex Building Renovation:

- Received draft from engineer. Reviewing & revising draft.
- Met with Doug O. & Rick B. to review/revise plans on 9/20 @ 10am
- Met with Engineer-Scott Lane, Rick B., & Robert H. to revise plans on 11/21 @ 11am

Sidewalk Initiative:

- Seeking funding & support for sidewalks down Main Street
- Preparing grant submissions
- Grant extension filed and granted for design phase
- RFP for sidewalk design or pre-design exorbitant
 - Will inquire with the County as to their ability to help us with design
- Meeting on December 13th with County and Central Hudson to discuss sidewalks
 - Doug Ostrander will attend, as I am away

Well supply/drilling:

- Site Inspection: September 11, 2013 @ 5:30pm at Town Park with Park Task Force, Hydro-Geologist, and Delaware Engineering
- Identified priority of site drilling: will start at site 1 which is on the road between the football field and playground parking lot before the walking path.
- Drilling began week of November 18th
 - 1st well down to 300' – no water
 - 2nd drill will be a boring test to find sand & gravel

- No water found at the park. Will attempt to find water on County property if County allows such endeavor
- See attached Reports from engineer & contractors

Sewer Moratorium:

- Sewer Moratorium lifted on November 13th

Labor Negotiations:

- Ambulance Department negotiations in progress:
 - o Mediation held October 9, 2013 @ 10am at Town Hall
 - o Next meeting: November 20, 2013 @ 10am
 - Agreement reached
- Highway Department should commence fall of 2013
- Police Department should commence fall of 2013

Animal Control:

- New Animal Control Officer: Brian Feml
- Bruce Feml from Tannersville submitted a proposal
 - o Dan Joyce is working on costs & contracts

Meeting Schedule:

- Town Board meeting on December 25, 2013 is cancelled-Christmas
- Town Board Organizational & General meeting to be held on January 6, 2014 @ 6pm

Holiday Parade:

- November 30th, Saturday
- Parade at around 5:30pm
- Decorating contest for Business & Homes on Main St
- Rooster Doodles provided complimentary refreshments & snacks

Department Reports:

- You'll now see goals listed

Events Attended:

- Greene County Legislature, County Health Committee, & EMS-Meeting December 4, 2013
 - o Presentation on county wide consolidated ambulance services

Health Insurance Orientation for Town Employees:

- November 25th @ 11am

Employee Evaluations:

- December & January-due by end of January 2014

Seasonal Decorations:

- Looking to add seasonal decorations in Purling
- Bill Alfeld asked if he and others could contribute and coordinate to seasonal decorations
- Will provide for seasonal decorations in Purling

Cairo Historical Society Award:

- Will receive the Greene County Planning Board's 2013 Ellen Rettus Planning Achievement Award under the Historical Preservation and Main Street Revitalization Category for their Hometown Heroes Banner Program on December 18th at 6:30pm.

Website Updates:

- Updates have been applied to viewing information, links, etc.

Debbie Litchko:

- Father passed on 12/10/13. Please offer her your condolences

Right to Farm Law:

- Discussed and introduced during Zoning Reviews

Letter of Interest for Casino:

- See proposed resolution

Hospice Holiday Family:

- Coordinated by Joan VanDenburgh & Tara Rumph

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From: Daniel Benoit [mailto:dab3974@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2013 3:19 PM
To: Tal Rappleyea, Esq.
Subject: Fabrizio Site Plan Review

Hi Tal,

Not sure how much background you need on this issue. In August, Stacey cited John Fabrizio for running a commercial trucking business without approval. He appeared last night with his attorney, Ronald Pordy from Kingston. Their position is that we lack jurisdiction because he established his usage prior to the town's initial Site Plan Law established in 2001. Second, citing *Town of Gardiner v. Blue Sky Entertainment Corp*, 213 A.D.2d 790 (3d Dept. 1995), he disputes any authority to review any expansion because, "an increase in the volume of use, without an significant change in the kind of use, is not considered a proscribed extension of a nonconforming use." *Id.*, at 791. Third, even if Fabrizio engaged in recent activities that violated the current site plan law, our ability to review is limited in scope to those activities and not to an overall review of the use.

To me, it is unclear whether Mr. Fabrizio can clearly establish usage prior to 2001. He purchased the property in 1999 as vacant land and put a modular on it the same year. Other than bald, unsubstantiated assertions, he has provided no evidence of preexisting use. Second, I believe Mr. Pordy's authority is not on point. The cited case deals with an increase in the customer volume, not physical site changes. I believe *Avramis v. Sarahan*, 97 A.D.3d 974 (3d Dept. 2012) is more on point. That case involved a proposed physical change and expansion of parking spaces of a nonconforming preexisting use. The court held the application was properly rejected and that nonconforming uses "may not be enlarged as a matter of right." *Id.*, at 876.

Here, Fabrizio's operation does not concern an expansion of a customer base but physical changes. He build a garage as a residential garage, converted it to use for his trucking business and installed concrete retaining walls in order to provide greater level parking spaces for his trailers. This expansion took place after the 2001 law was established so, if *Avramis* controls, expansion (not use volume) was unlawful and brings him within the review process even if his prior use was preexisting. Finally, he filed an LLC in 2011. While change of ownership doesn't mean change of use, changing from a sole-proprietorship to an LLC indicates at least an intent to move from "fixing my personally owned trucks " to a clearly commercial endeavor.

I don't think we even need to reach the third issue.

However, at this point they have withdrawn from the process. As we, the board, have no enforcement authority, we are out of the game at this point. Shall I notify Stacey to proceed with the violation process or should I simply let you move the process forward?

Dan.

TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

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 November, 2013.

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

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO _____

**Accepting Sewer Billings
Dated November 18, 2013**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the Sewer Billings as presented from the Sewer Clerk in the amount of \$36,434.32 dated November 18, 2013.

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

AYE ____ NAY ____ ABSENT ____ CARRIED ____ DEFEATED ____

TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Accepting Delinquent Sewer EDU Charges Greene County Real Property Tax Services Dated November 13, 2013”

Councilperson_____offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Delinquent Sewer EDU Charges 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 Delinquent Sewer EDU Charges as presented from the Sewer Clerk in the amount of \$58,459.34, dated November 13, 2013.

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

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**“Accepting Delinquent Sewer Use Charges Greene County Real Property Tax
Services Dated November 13, 2013”**

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its
adoption:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Delinquent Sewer Use Charges 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 Delinquent Sewer
Use Charges as presented from the Sewer Clerk in the amount of \$42,515.61, dated
November 13, 2013.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

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TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO _____

**Accepting Water Penalties
Dated November 14, 2013**

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

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the Water Penalties as presented from the Water Clerk in the amount of \$1,198.02 dated November 14, 2013.

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

AYE ___ NAY ___ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BRUCE FEML FOR DOG CONTROL AND SHELTER SERVICES

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution
and moved its adoption:

Be it resolved, that in accordance with the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law
the Town of Cairo may enter into a contract with a contractor to provide dog
control and dog sheltering services, as needed, to the Town, and it is further

Resolved that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with the
terms as set forth in the attached offer from Bruce Feml for a period of six
months through June 30, 2014.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

Bruce Feml
782 North Lake Road
Haines Falls, NY 12436
518/589-6155

September 24, 2013

Ted Banta, Supervisor
Town of Cairo

Re: Boarding Dogs running at large picked up by Town of Cairo

1. Dog(s) will be brought to my facility at 782 North Lake Road, Haines Falls by a Town of Cairo employee or police officer.
2. Dog(s) will be advertised on WRIP Radio, Windham.
3. Dog(s) without any identification will be scanned for a chip for possible owner identification.
4. Dog(s) will be held for at least seven (7) days pending redemption by its owner.
5. If owner of impounded dog is found, owner must produce written proof of rabies vaccination and proof of current dog license. If no written proof of rabies vaccination is available, dog will be held, at the expense of the Town of Cairo, until the appointment with a licensed veterinarian for a rabies vaccination. Appointment will be verified and a Town of Cairo designated DCO will be notified so he/she can verify the dog has been vaccinated and subsequently licensed in the Town of Cairo.
6. If the dog owner is found and has proper vaccination and license, dog will be returned to owner upon payment of any Town of Cairo impound fees, which will be forwarded to your Town Clerk with necessary paper work.
7. At the end of the seven(7) day holding period, dog(s), if adoptable, will be taken to the Columbia-Greene Humane Society as soon as they have available space and surrendered for adoption. Since I am holding the dog(s) for the required holding period, the Town of Cairo should be able to negotiate a lower kennel rate from the Humane Society.
8. At the end of the seven(7) day holding period, any unadoptable dog(s) will be taken to Catskill Animal Hospital for euthanization and cremation. All veterinarian expenses are to be paid for by the Town of Cairo.

Cost to Town of Cairo	\$25 per day for each dog held in my facility
Cost to Transport to Hudson	\$50 plus mileage
Cost of Transport to Catskill (Unadoptable dog(s))	\$35 plus mileage



TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AGREEING TO WAIVE 30-DAY WAITING PERIOD FOR STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY LICENSE FOR SHERRY'S VIEW, LLC

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution
and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, in accordance with the New York State Liquor Authority application process an applicant is required to submit a notice to the municipality in which it will be located at least 30 days prior to the issuance of such License, and

WHEREAS, Sherry's View, LLC located at 4381 Route 23 formerly known as "Winners Circle" has requested that such 30-day waiting period be waived,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo has carefully reviewed the application and request submitted by Sherry's View, LLC., and hereby agrees to waive the aforementioned 30-day waiting period, and it is further

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to attach a certified copy of this resolution to the SLA "Standardized Notice Form for Providing 30-Day Advanced Notice to a Local Municipality or Community Board" and forward same to the applicant and/or NY State Liquor Authority.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

AYE _____ NAY _____ ABSENT _____ CARRIED _____ DEFEATED _____

Tara Rumph, Town Clerk Dated

December 11, 2013

Town of Cairo
Main Street
Cairo, NY

RE: Sherry's View, Owner: Patti Van Tassel
NYSLA License # BEING APPLIED FOR
Location: 4381 Route 23 Cairo, NY

Dear Town Council,

I write this letter on my behalf, I am owner of Sherry's View LLC located at 4381 Route 23, Cairo, NY. I have tried a few times without success as well as my husband Terry Van Tassel, to stop by and have my 30 day notice stamped prior to December 4, 2013; unfortunately, we have been unsuccessful as the Cairo Town Clerk has been busy or unavailable. I would like to be able to process my application prior to December 31, 2013 prior to the current owner's license expiration date.

I respectfully ask that you accept this letter as our request to issue a Waiver of the 30 day notice, so that I may file my application to the NYSLA for my liquor license, prior to the upcoming Holiday Schedule and the Town's next meeting in January 2014.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of my request.

Very Truly Yours,

Patti Van Tassel

TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Accept Resignation of Court Officer Thomas Murphy”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the resignation of Thomas Murphy as Court Officer effective November 13, 2013. A new Court Officer will be appointed January 2014.

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

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Accept Resignation of Justice Clerk Julia Hepperle”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the resignation of Julia Hepperle as Justice Clerk effective December 20, 2013. A new Justice Clerk will be appointed January 2014.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

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December 3, 2013

Justice Court
Town of Cairo
P. O. Box 755
Cairo, NY 12413

Dear Judges Sirago and Miller:

I am writing to notify you that I am resigning from my position as court clerk with the Town of Cairo. My last day of employment will be December 20, 2013.

Sincerely,


Julia Hepperle

TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Accept Resignation of Police Chief Christopher Sprague”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town’s Labor Counsel has been consulted and has advised the Town Board to accept the resignation of Christopher Sprague; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the resignation of Christopher Sprague effective September 19, 2013.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

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*Christopher Sprague
166 Maple Avenue
Acra, New York 12405*

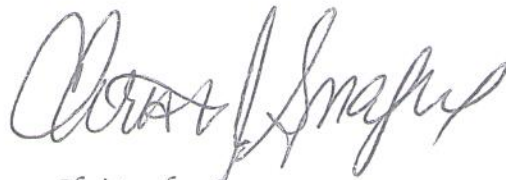
September 19, 2013

*Town of Cairo Town Board
Supervisor Ted Banta
512 Main Street, P.O. Box 728
Cairo, New York 12413*

Dear Supervisor Banta and Town Board Members:

Effective September 19, 2013 I am resigning from my position as part-time Police Chief for The Cairo Police Department. Please be advised that I am seeking back pay from the date of my suspension to September 19, 2013.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Chris Sprague", written in a cursive style.

Christopher Sprague



TOWN OF CAIRO

December 11, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. _____

“Letter of Interest to Discuss a Casino in Greene County”

Councilperson _____ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, it has been asked of the Town of Cairo by several legislators to consider submitting a letter of interest for the opportunity to discuss a casino in Greene County; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby approve the Town Supervisor submitting a Letter of Interest to our elected representatives stating generally the following:

The Town of Cairo respectfully offers its Letter of Interest for the opportunity to discuss the suitability and feasibility of Greene County hosting a casino. We would like to engage in discussions, presentations, and information sessions so that we may consider this opportunity and determine our interest.

SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON _____

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

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Climate Smart Communities Profile

December 2013



Town of Cairo

Program Overview

The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) program is a New York State initiative to help local communities reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, prepare for effects of climate change and save taxpayers money. The program is designed to address 10 focus areas, or "pledge elements," outlined in the CSC Pledge: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/53013.html>.

New York State is offering technical support to communities that have adopted the CSC Pledge. This profile provides a stepping stone for identifying a technical support service package to help the Town of Cairo progress through the 10 pledge elements (see below).

Detailed information on actions completed, in progress, and identified for future action is provided in the tables on the following pages. If a table is missing for a particular pledge element, it means that the CSC program does not have a record of actions taken to address that element.

Local Government Facts:

Adopted Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Pledge: 2009

CSC Pledge Elements Addressed: 4 out of 10

Total Actions Completed: 4

Government Type: Town

County: Greene County

Region: Capital District

Population: 6,610

Climate Smart Communities Pledge Elements:

1. *Pledge to Combat Climate Change by Becoming a Climate Smart Community*
2. *Set Goals, Inventory Emissions, Move to Action*
3. *Decrease Energy Demand for Local Government Operations*
4. *Encourage Renewable Energy for Local Government Operations*
5. *Realize Benefits of Recycling and Other Climate Smart Solid Waste Management Practices*
6. *Promote Climate Protection Through Community Land Use Tools*
7. *Plan for Adaptation to Unavoidable Climate Change*
8. *Support a Green Innovation Economy*
9. *Inform and Inspire the Public*
10. *Commit to an Evolving Process*

Pledge Element 1: Pledge to Combat Climate Change by Becoming a Climate Smart Community

Action	Status	Description
Adopted CSC Pledge	Completed	The Town of Cairo adopted the Climate Smart Communities Pledge in May 2009.

Pledge Element 3: Decrease Energy Demand for Local Government Operations

Action	Status	Description
Conduct energy audits of local government buildings	Completed	An energy audit was conducted in 2013 by Central Hudson.

Pledge Element 4: Encourage Renewable Energy for Local Government Operations

Action	Status	Description
Serve as a host site for a renewable energy installation and enter into a long term service contract / PPA	Identified	The Town is investigating either a PPA through NY Light and Energy or remote net-metering for a solar farm on an old quarry off of Route 145.
Install a geothermal heat pump or another geothermal technology at a new or existing municipal facility	Completed	The town installed a geothermal heating system as part of the library renovations in the summer of 2012.

Pledge Element 5: Realize Benefits of Recycling and Other Climate Smart Solid Waste Management Practices

Action	Status	Description
Recycling for Town Residents	Completed	The Town offers free recycling for a variety of items and offers a Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics collection event every year.

For more information about the Town of Cairo's climate protection efforts, please contact: Doug Ostrander at (518) 622-2060



The Climate Smart Communities Program is jointly sponsored by six New York State Agencies: the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), Department of State, Department of Environmental Conservation, Department of Health, Department of Transportation, and Public Service Commission.

Property Name	Address	City, State & ZIP	Account Number	Meter Number	2012 Total Usage (kWh)	2012 Total Cost
RAILROAD AVE	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	9,601	\$1,327.51
BIRCH STREET	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	191	\$427.94
COUNTRY FARM RD	COUNTY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	2,637	\$630.20
CTY TY 24	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	61,592	\$6,993.87
JEROME AVE PUMP STATION	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	533	\$466.24
WATER DISTRICT	KLINGERMANN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	9,775	\$1,297.00
LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLANT	LAKES MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	102,960	\$11,784.50
MAIN ST SITE 1	MAIN ST	CAIRO NY 12413-9401	1258-2210-00	93128615	1,551	\$545.41
MAIN ST SITE 2	MAIN ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-0990-00	24345328	913	\$487.22
MAIN ST SITE 3	MAIN ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2150-00	58655189	197	\$429.21
MAIN ST SITE 4	MAIN ST	CAIRO NY 12413-9401	1623-0400-00	36397666	139,109	\$461.50
MOUNTAIN AVENUE	MOUNTAIN AVE	CAIRO NY 12413-9501	1229-1370-00	26520229	4,809	\$802.61
MOUNTAIN ROAD SITE 1	MOUNTAIN RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1320-00	29852682	4,625	\$835.27
MOUNTAIN ROAD SITE 2	MOUTNAIN RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1300-00	43599686	18,753	\$1,985.66
OLD RT 23 SITE 1	OLD RT 23	ACRA NY 12405-9706	1264-0600-00	14688186	-	\$413.06
OLD RT 23 SITE 2	OLD RT 23	ACRA NY 12405-9706	1264-0590-00	88624062	26,936	\$2,631.21
RT 145 SITE 1	RT 145	CAIRO NY 12413	1262-2060-00	300011158	15,651	\$1,719.18
RT 145 SITE 2	RT 145	CAIRO NY 12413	1262-2050-00	43259938	2,920	\$633.04
RT 145 SITE 3	RT 145	CAIRO NY 12413-9622	1623-1570-00	21290010	21,780	\$3,887.87
RT 23	RT 23	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0650-00	21434355	7,381	\$1,840.83
RT 32	RT 32	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-0880-00	58655156	17,367	\$1,863.59
RT 41	RT 41	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-0100-00	57661942	6,391	\$925.14
SNYDER LANE	SNYDER LN	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0490-00	16640302	21,928	\$3,413.84
TOWN PARK SITE 1	TOWN PARK	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1330-00	81897812	7,485	\$1,056.50
TOWN PARK SITE 2	TOWN PARK	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1310-01	38460600	1,848	\$573.10
TOTAL CAIRO ELECTRICITY					486,933	\$47,431.50

partial 2012 - partial 2013 available only: used as proxy for 2012 annual use

partial 2011 - partial 2012 available only: used as proxy for 2012 annual use

Town of Cairo Meter Inventory & Data									
Property Name	Address	City, State & ZIP	Account Number	Meter Number	Read Date (Month/Year)	Usage (kWh)	Cost	Demand	Notes
RAILROAD AVE	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	8/13/2013	1344	\$198.80		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	7/12/2013	1225	\$144.71		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	6/12/2013	1113	\$132.05		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	5/9/2013	773	\$88.53		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	4/12/2013	1345	\$143.63		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	3/13/2013	1295	\$178.97		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	2/13/2013	1262	\$174.03		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	1/16/2013	1146	\$127.57		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	12/12/2012	1049	\$124.98		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	11/9/2012	786	\$98.52		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	10/11/2012	785	\$100.62		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	9/12/2012	966	\$137.42		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	8/14/2012	1135	\$169.29		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	7/13/2012	914	\$124.52		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	6/15/2012	681	\$99.72		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	5/15/2012	596	\$86.40		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	4/12/2012	536	\$82.97		
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	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	2/13/2012	696	\$104.36		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	1/12/2012	878	\$110.68		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12412	1623-0820-00	22952332	12/12/2011	1029	\$111.00		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	11/11/2011	917	\$103.62		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	10/13/2011	569	\$84.96		
	16 RAILROAD AVE	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0820-00	22952333	9/14/2011	696	\$103.78		
BIRCH STREET	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	7/9/2013	30	\$72.69		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	5/7/2013	29	\$65.21		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	3/12/2013	26	\$72.63		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	1/16/2013	41	\$73.10		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	11/8/2012	31	\$72.27		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	9/10/2012	23	\$72.36		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	7/10/2012	30	\$70.89		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	5/10/2012	32	\$70.51		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	3/13/2012	36	\$71.09		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	1/11/2012	39	\$70.82		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	11/10/2011	37	\$70.71		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	9/13/2011	40	\$78.77		
	BIRCH ST	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-2140-00	95194609	7/7/2011	43	\$61.21		
COUNTRY FARM RD	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	7/10/2013	347	\$100.63		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	5/7/2013	297	\$85.28		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	3/12/2013	389	\$109.08		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	1/10/2013	430	\$102.36		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	11/8/2012	460	\$103.49		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	9/10/2012	490	\$119.68		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	07/11/12	393	\$102.48		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	5/16/2012	339	\$94.65		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	3/13/2012	355	\$98.54		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	1/11/2012	600	\$111.36		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	11/10/2011	756	\$123.21		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	9/13/2011	893	\$156.42		
	COUNTRY FARM RD	CAIRO NY 12413	1229-1390-00	38461267	07/14/11	507	\$102.68		
CTY TY 24	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	8/6/2013	4139	\$551.45	13.4	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	7/8/2013	4191	\$552.46	15.8	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	6/5/2013	4369	\$476.22	14.1	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12412	1621-0575-00	17999060	5/2/2013	4277	\$485.70	9.9	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	4/5/2013	5780	\$728.04	12.3	
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	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	2/5/2013	6226	\$615.73	14	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	1/9/2013	6747	\$719.10	18	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	12/6/2012	4991	\$505.80	11.3	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	11/6/2012	4329	\$474.69	11.5	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	10/5/2012	3674	\$486.04	8.4	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	9/5/2012	4218	\$569.83	7.2	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	8/7/2012	4635	\$583.56	13.7	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	7/6/2012	4182	\$530.06	13.7	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	6/8/2012	4245	\$502.31	14.4	
	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	5/8/2012	4257	\$523.88	15.6	
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	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	2/6/2012	7817	\$807.64	19.1	
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	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	12/5/2011	6036	\$585.65	14.4	
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	CTY TY 24	CAIRO NY 12413	1621-0575-00	17999060	10/5/2011	4012	\$536.29	14.8	
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JEROME AVE PUMP STATION	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	7/24/2013	102	\$79.02		
	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	5/24/2013	89	\$76.69		
	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	3/26/2013	94	\$79.47		
	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	1/25/2013	78	\$75.88		
	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	11/26/2012	73	\$75.34		
	JEROME AVE PUMP STAT #6	CAIRO NY 12413	1258-2480-00	43260398	9/25/2012	97	\$79.84		
WATER DISTRICT	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	7/22/2013	68	\$76.03		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	5/23/2013	75	\$75.65		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	3/22/2013	418	\$120.96		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	1/24/2013	2067	\$243.54		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	11/21/2012	1877	\$223.18		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	09/25/12	915	\$175.79		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	7/23/2012	938	\$162.75		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	5/23/2012	1908	\$235.34		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	3/26/2012	2031	\$262.12		
	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	1/24/2012	2106	\$237.82		
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	KLINGERMAN DR	CAIRO NY 12413-9612	1257-0810-00	34281153	9/23/2011	107	\$84.87		
LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLANT	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	8/13/2013	7480	\$1,117.55	18.4	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	7/12/2013	7360	\$847.40	18	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	6/13/2013	10980	\$1,162.44	21.6	
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	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	2/13/2013	11760	\$1,491.22	36.4	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	1/16/2013	12560	\$1,219.38	36	
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	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	11/12/2012	7920	\$851.08	30	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	10/11/2012	6440	\$653.98	15.6	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	9/12/2012	5600	\$702.21	14.4	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	8/14/2012	6400	\$839.57	13.2	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	7/13/2012	4680	\$572.76	12.4	
	LAKE MILL RD SEWER PLT	CAIRO NY 12413	1623-0460-00	16531960	6/15/2012	7080	\$780.87	15.6	

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3/14/2012	8453	24.5				933.36	
2/13/2012	7402	20.5				876.48	
1/12/2012	6306	19.8				701.08	
12/12/2011	5916	17.9				592.47	
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10/13/2011	5758	33.6				765.24	

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November 27, 2013

Ted Banta, Supervisor
Town of Cairo
512 Main Street
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Cairo, New York 12413

Dear Mr. Banta:

This letter is to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services we will provide.

We will perform the following services:

We will compile, from information you provide, the special purpose annual financial report for the Town of Cairo, New York for the year ended December 31, 2014 to be included in the form prescribed by the State of New York, Office of the State Comptroller Division of Municipal Affairs, Albany, New York and issue an accountant's report thereon in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The objective of a compilation is to assist you in presenting financial information in the form of financial statements. We will utilize information that is your representation without undertaking to obtain or provide any assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in conformity with the requirements prescribed by the State of New York, Office of the State Comptroller Division of Municipal Affairs, Albany, New York.

You are responsible for:

- a. The preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with requirements prescribed by the State of New York, Office of the State Comptroller Division of Municipal Affairs, Albany, New York.
- b. Designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements.
- c. Preventing and detecting fraud.

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- d. Identifying and ensuring that the Town complies with the laws and regulations applicable to its activities.
- e. Making all financial records and related information available to us and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

We will conduct our compilation in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation differs significantly from a review or an audit of financial statements. A compilation does not contemplate performing inquiry, analytical procedures, or other procedures performed in a review. Additionally, a compilation does not contemplate obtaining an understanding of the entity's internal control; assessing fraud risk; testing accounting records by obtaining sufficient appropriate audit evidence through inspection, observation, confirmation, or the examination of source documents (for example, cancelled checks or bank images); or other procedures ordinarily performed in an audit. Accordingly, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance regarding the financial statements being compiled.

Our engagement cannot be relied upon to disclose errors, fraud, or other illegal acts. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management of any material errors, and of any evidence or information that comes to our attention during the performance of our compilation procedures that fraud may have occurred. In addition, we will inform you of any evidence or information that comes to our attention during the performance of our compilation procedures regarding illegal acts that may have occurred, unless they are clearly inconsequential. We have no responsibility to identify and communicate deficiencies in your internal control as part of this engagement.

If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the compilation of your financial statements, we will not issue a report on such statements as a result of this engagement.

We will also perform the following services on a monthly basis:

- a. Verify reconciliation of general ledger cash accounts to bank reconciliations.
- b. Reconcile interfund due to/due from accounts.
- c. Review and reconcile all other general ledger balance sheet accounts to supporting documentation.
- d. Provide proposed adjusting journal entries, as needed, to bring accounts to proper balances.
- e. Assist in preparation of the Town's Annual Update Document filed with the Office of the State Comptroller.
- f. Provide some consultation with the Town Supervisor as needed.

Also we will perform agreed upon procedures of the Town Justices, the Town Clerk and the Town Tax Collectors's records as described in a separate engagement letter.

You are responsible for making all management decisions and for overseeing any bookkeeping services, tax services, or other services we provide by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, or experience. In addition, you are responsible for evaluating the adequacy and results of the services performed and accepting responsibility for the results of such services.

Bradley W. Cummings is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report or authorizing another individual to sign it.

Please find below the hourly rates for myself and my staff.

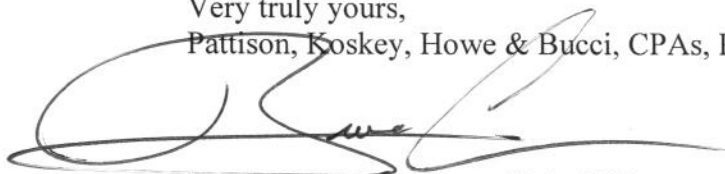
Shareholder	\$160 per hour
Manager	\$ 95 per hour
Administrative	\$ 55 per hour

Our fee for these services will be based on the actual time spent at our standard hourly rates, plus travel and other out-of-pocket costs as report production, typing, postage, etc. We estimate our fee to be approximately \$12,000. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the review.

You may require us to provide you with additional services not explained in this letter. We will be happy to provide you any such professional services based on a time and material basis. We will guarantee the hourly rates listed above in performing any additional services during the year 2014. These additional services are not part of the estimated fees above.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist you and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us.

Very truly yours,
Pattison, Koskey, Howe & Bucci, CPAs, P.C.



Bradley W. Cummings, CPA, CVA
Shareholder

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of the Town of Cairo, New York.

By: _____ Title: _____

Date: _____



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AGREEMENT

Between

Columbia-Greene Humane Society/SPCA

And

The ~~Town/Village/City~~ of
CAIRO

THIS AGREEMENT is made for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, between the Town of CAIRO, New York, a municipal corporation of the State of New York, hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality"

AND

The Columbia-Greene Humane Society, Inc., a membership corporation existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New York, for the prevention of cruelty to and the protection of animals, having its principal place of business in the Town of Claverack, County of Columbia, State of New York, hereinafter referred to as the "Humane Society."

WITNESSETH:

That, pursuant to Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York, the Humane Society, in consideration of payment to it by the Municipality of several sums of money herein agreed to be paid at the time and in the manner hereinafter more particularly described, hereby covenants and agrees for itself and its successors, as follows:

FIRST: That it will undertake, through its duly appointed agents, the impoundage of all unleashed, unlicensed, or untagged dogs brought to it by the Dog Control Officer (hereinafter referred to as the "DCO") of the Municipality, which have been found to have been running at large in violation of provision of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York and any existing local law enacted by the Municipality. It will also provide proper food and shelter for such dogs while in its possession until redeemed or otherwise disposed of pursuant to, and as provided in, Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Laws and any existing local law enacted by the Municipality.

SECOND: The Humane Society will provide and maintain a shelter for seized dogs; will properly care for all dogs in such a shelter; and will humanely euthanize or make available for adoption seized dogs not redeemed as provided in Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law. Such shelter shall at all times during the term hereof be under care and charge of a competent employee and shall be open to the public at reasonable hours for the purpose of receiving applications for the redemption of dogs as provided by law. Such shelter shall

be open daily between the hours of 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with legal holidays, Wednesdays, and Sundays excepted, during the term of this Agreement. Such shelter shall be maintained in an approved location in the Town of Claverack so as to not be reasonably objectionable to the residents thereof.

THIRD: The Humane Society and the Municipality will comply with the provisions of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law and with the applicable provisions of the Public Health Law of the State of New York and any rules and regulations promulgated thereto in relation to the seizure, holding care, redemption, and disposition of seized dogs. This Agreement applies to dogs seized under the provisions of Article 7 only. Any other animals seized for any reason or purpose, including but not limited to quarantine and cruelty cases, will be accepted at the sole discretion of the Humane Society, and shall be billed to the Municipality separately from the fee structures outlined in Paragraph Seventh (A) below.

FOURTH: The Municipality and the Humane Society each hereby reserve the right to cancel and declare this Agreement null and void at any time during the period of the same for reason of the failure of the Municipality or the Humane Society to perform any of the terms and conditions herein contained.

FIFTH: The Humane Society and the DCO for the Municipality will both file and maintain a complete record of any seizure and subsequent disposition of any dog in the manner prescribed by Article 7 of the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets. Redeemed dogs shall be licensed or have proof of a current license prior to leaving the custody of the Humane Society pursuant to Article 7, §117 of the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Law. All licenses must be issued by the municipality wherein the dog's owner resides. The Humane Society will assist in obtaining necessary vaccinations for dogs eligible for redemption to facilitate municipal dog licensing; however, it is the sole responsibility of the redeemed dog's owner to obtain a license from their resident municipality before the dog can be released from the custody of the Humane Society. A tag shall not be considered proof of current license.

SIXTH: The Humane Society will remit all impoundment fees collected in carrying out the provisions of this Agreement to the Fiscal Officer of the Municipality, provided that there are no outstanding fees owed to the Humane Society from the Municipality. However, should the Municipality be negligent in paying contractual fees, the Humane Society may retain the impoundment fees in exchange for monies owed.

SEVENTH: A: In consideration of the complete performance by the Humane Society of the terms of this Agreement, the Municipality hereby agrees to pay the Humane Society in the amount of ~~\$305.00~~ ^{\$205.00} per dog due upon receipt of an invoice to be mailed within the month following the month for which the invoice applies. This fee can be reduced to \$75.00 in the sole case that the owner redeems the impounded dog within twenty-four (24) hours of its arrival at the Humane Society. Wednesdays and Sundays, from 12:01 a.m. until 12:00 midnight, or any other day on which the Humane Society is not open for any reason will be excluded from the 24-hour period.

B: Charges and payments for animals accepted by the Humane Society from the Municipality that fall outside of the provisions of Article 7, including but not limited to quarantine and cruelty cases, shall be billed separately from the charges in Paragraph Seventh (A) and are not covered under any provision of this Agreement.

EIGHTH: The Humane Society is hereby prohibited from assigning, transferring, conveying, or subletting this Agreement, or otherwise disposing of the same; or its right, title, or interest

therein; or its power to execute such Agreement to any other person, company, or corporation, without the prior approval of the Municipality.

NINTH: The DCO for the Municipality will maintain tracking paperwork pursuant to NYS Agriculture and Markets Law Article 7, §113. The redemption period for seized dogs shall not exceed that prescribed in Article 7, §117. The Municipality shall be separately responsible for any emergency veterinary care required. If the dog is an identified dog as determined by Article 7, §117, the DCO shall notify the owner of the dog's location.

TENTH: In the event that a dog is not redeemed during the period stipulated under the provision of Article 7 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, the Humane Society reserves the right to retain the dog for a longer period for adoption and the dog becomes the property of the Humane Society. Regular NYS shelter standards shall apply for adoption of dogs retained longer than the stipulated period.

ELEVENTH: No liability in damages or otherwise shall be incurred by the Humane Society or the Municipality on account of seizure, surrender, euthanasia, or adoption pursuant to the provisions of Article 7.

TWELFTH: If anyone other than the DCO brings a stray dog to the Humane Society, the Humane Society will notify the DCO and/or the Municipal Clerk of the Municipality in which the dog was found by telephone, and unless otherwise instructed, will subsequently accept the dog. The DCO shall appear at the shelter within twenty-four hours to complete all necessary paperwork pursuant to NYS Agriculture and Markets Law Article 7, §113.

THIS AGREEMENT was duly authorized by the Board of the Columbia-Greene Humane Society, Inc., on November 5, 2013.

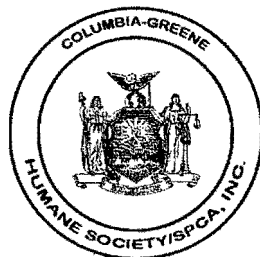
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their corporate seals to be hereunto affixed and this instrument to be subscribed by their duly authorized officers the day and year first above written.

By: _____

Supervisor/Municipal Clerk

(Seal)

T/V/C of _____



(Seal)

By: _____

President and C.E.O.

Columbia-Greene Humane Society/SPCA



TOWN OF CAIRO PLANNING BOARD

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November 12, 2013

Town Board
Town of Cairo
512 Main St., Cairo, N.Y., 12413

Honorable Town Board Members,

I write this letter in a representative capacity as authorized by a unanimous vote¹ of the board taken at our regular meeting on November 7, 2013.

Let me begin by saying that of those members present at the November 7 meeting, each one is in favor of some form of zoning for our town. We clearly understand the benefits of knowing where commercial, residential and mixed-use development can occur and the piece of mind associated with this certainty. What we are concerned with is the breadth and scope of the proposed 158 page document, the gravity of its inevitable unintended consequences, and the lack of substantive input requested from the planning board.

As we are all aware, Hannaford is a welcome, attractive addition to our town. We hope its presence will attract more commercial development providing a much-needed commercial tax base. But, Hannaford would not have come if it had been required to build its store at the thirty-five foot setback contained in a prior version of the proposed zoning ordinance. Luckily, that overly restrictive element of the proposed ordinance was removed but confusing language still exists.² In fact, confusion over the cited language caused a delay in our review of the currently proposed Dollar General store and a needless revisionary expense for the applicant. Because we deal with these issues on a regular basis, we are in the best position to provide input on how the proposed law may conflict with business concerns to the point where business is not attracted by certainty, but driven away by onerous regulations.

¹ Mr. Peter Kavakos and Ms. Jessica Dillon were not present at this meeting.

² See for example the apparent conflict in the setback dimensions listed in Table 2 with the 35 foot setback language present in paragraph 5 of Section VIII.

We have all heard the general comments such as “the law is too restrictive for business” but what is lacking is the follow-up explanation of what portions are restrictive, how they result in restriction and what the fix is. Generalized objections are not helpful; what are needed are specific, targeted comments and a reasoned analysis.

We, the members of the planning board, believe we should be given the opportunity to provide the town board with just such an analysis for two reasons. First, we are the entity that currently deals with and has the experience in dealing with land use planning issues. Second, we are the entity that will be tasked with the administration of the zoning ordinance.³ We believe that before the town board moves forward with its vote, we should be allowed time to review the FINAL iteration of the proposed law and submit our recommendations for changes.

We say “final” iteration because the work is constantly in flux as the board continues to incorporate changes and suggestions from the community. This is a vital process that we agree needs to be done. But until the public comment period ends, we would be shooting at a constantly moving target.

We understand that the Zoning Commission worked hard and long on this proposal and that the town board members have been diligently going over the work, meeting after meeting in a seemingly endless process. We know that everyone involved has vested time and effort in this process. But, will putting the vote on hold pending our review really harm the process?

We believe delaying the vote while the planning board reviews the final draft proposal can only serve to make a better final product, avoid needless duplication and conflicts between site plan, subdivision and zoning regulations and minimize the potential for negative impact in our community.

Once voted on, the town board will move onto other issues. It is the planning board that will continually deal with the day-to-day operation of the law. We believe the equitable and intelligent course of action would be for the town board to provide us with the opportunity to review and propose changes to the law before you vote on it. We ask for that opportunity.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Benoit, Chairman

Town of Cairo Planning Board – by and for the members of the Planning Board resolution passed at our regular meeting on November 7, 2013.

³ It appears the planning board will be responsible for record keeping, updating the zoning map, reviewing all applications for site plan approval and reviewing and issuing special use permits, which appear to be needed for a vast majority of commercial and what were formerly residential uses, such as two-family dwellings.

Resolution to Continue the Moratorium on High-Volume Hydraulic Fracturing and to Advance a Renewable Energy Economy in New York State

Whereas, New York State has historically led the nation in matters of advancing social progress, including the abolition of slavery, women's suffrage, civil rights and environmental stewardship; and

Whereas, scientific evidence shows that the heavy industrial process of unconventional gas extraction by hydraulic fracturing poses serious risk of water contamination¹²³⁴⁵, air pollution⁶⁷, and health impacts⁸⁹; and

Whereas, the New York State Medical Society, representing 30,000 medical experts, the American Academy of Pediatrics of New York, the American Lung Association of New York and many independent medical experts and scientists have called on Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State legislature to continue New York's moratorium on hydraulic fracturing and to conduct further health studies including a comprehensive health impact assessment¹⁰; and

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Whereas, in addition to emissions of carbon dioxide and other heat-trapping gases associated with gas development activities, hydraulic fracturing gas development releases methane in the atmosphere, which is at least 72 times more potent in the atmosphere than carbon dioxide on a 20-year timescale and 25 times on a 100-year timescale²⁰, thereby making the process potentially disastrous for climate change²¹; and

Whereas, New York communities have been significantly affected by the impacts of Hurricanes Irene and Sandy as well as lesser storms including Tropical Storm Lee, extreme weather events that are connected to/exacerbated by climate change due to increases in heat-trapping gases in the atmosphere²², costing New Yorkers tens of billions of dollars in damages and lost business opportunities²³; and

Whereas, significant action is necessary to address climate change, action which the federal government has to date failed to take, including energy conservation and advancing a clean energy infrastructure and making a significant economic transition to renewable sources; and

Whereas, we need to expand local employment opportunities in our communities and for our young people in sustainable, safe long-term jobs and careers, and invest in industries that will create jobs for decades to come - in contrast to reliance on the “boom to bust” economic cycle associated with extraction of non-renewable resources²⁴²⁵; and

Whereas, expansion of renewable energy and energy efficiency present the opportunity to create a significant number of jobs for New Yorkers and for New York State²⁶ to lead the nation on a visionary energy policy that will protect our water, air, land and public health while developing climate solutions; and

Whereas, Governor Cuomo’s Administration has already demonstrated significant leadership on innovative clean energy programs including the investment of \$1.5 billion in New York Sun²⁷, opening 360 electric vehicle charging stations that will be available for both public and county fleet vehicles²⁸, establishing the successful Regional Economic Development Councils, and creating the innovative Start-Up NY; and

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And that the Town/Village/City of _____ stands ready to work with the Governor to achieve these goals that will in the process create safe, sustainable jobs for New Yorkers and pioneer the path forward for the nation to solve the climate crisis and provide real, clean solutions for generations to come.

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Clean Energy Municipal Resolution Tool-Kit

It is crucial that New York is a leader in clean energy. The necessity for sustainable growth and energy efficiency is all too apparent. By passing this resolution, your municipality will be a part of the future by supporting and encouraging Governor Cuomo to continue and build upon his clean energy initiatives. Below is a list of talking points, resources, and the facts you will need to make your point!

Talking points & Resources:

1. **PLEASE EDIT!** Feel free to customize the language to your municipality. Send us your edits to make this resolution the best it can be!
2. Start-Up NY is optional and does not apply to every municipality
3. Discuss what initiatives your municipality can make to be a leading force in energy efficiency and clean energy innovation.
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 - a. [IPCC Climate Report: Humans 'Dominant Cause' of Warming](#)
 - b. [Climate Panel Says Upper Limit on Emissions Is Nearing](#)
7. Discuss how many local governments are doing their part, but we can only fully solve these issues if the state provides leadership.
 - a. [MA Has Double the Jobs in Clean Energy That PA Has in Natural Gas](#)
8. This resolution could open the doors to collaboration between your municipality and others to tackle the major energy issues New York faces.
9. Talk about how NYS has a draft Climate Action Plan that has been sitting on the Governor's desk for 2 1/2 years, and we need the Governor to step up and now provide leadership on this issue.
 - a. [Climate Action Plan](#)
10. Passing this resolution in your municipality is part of a larger, statewide movement. Elected officials in 27 municipalities will be introducing this resolution and two have already passed it (as of 9/26). While one municipality passing this resolution might not make a difference, passing this in urban and rural towns, villages, cities, and counties all throughout the state will send a strong message to Albany that there is widespread support for New York as a leader in clean, sustainable energy.

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Proposed
County Wide Ambulance
Plan

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Ad Hoc Committee for County Wide Ambulance Conceptual Plan

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Question: Can we do a county wide system cheaper and/or better than what currently exists?

How did we get here?

- In the summer of 2011 when GCEMS (Paramedics) was negotiating a new contract with the County many questions came from the legislature about finances, billing, operations, etc. of the town ambulances and EMS service in general.
- GCEMS has operated a successful county wide service for almost 14 years. Why can't it be duplicated for ambulance?
- Towns services in existence from anywhere between 7-15 years. Want to continue?
- EMS personnel and some municipalities have asked what is next, what is the next evolution of EMS in Greene County?
- Consensus is that we should plan and develop the next phase of EMS in our county and not allow circumstances to dictate or allow it to happen by default.
- Town of Catskill?

History of EMS in Greene County

- 1940's – 1960's Early service was provided by funeral homes and local people with station wagons – basic first aid and rapid transport
- 1960's & 70's Volunteer Rescue Squads formed and two commercial services Richards in Cairo and Decker in Windham – EMT level
- 1980's Manning issues started to appear with volunteer rescue squads several agencies upgrade to Advanced EMT level
- Late 80's early 90's Richards advances to first Paramedic service in county – provides service as needed to all other agencies
- 1992 Greene County Memorial Hospital closes to Emergencies
- Late 90's early 00's All commercial services sell out and ultimately leave the county. Greene County EMS is started to provide Paramedic service. Several volunteer agencies suffering critical staffing shortages. Towns faced with diminished service reliability reluctantly decide to start their own service.

Existing Ambulance / EMS System

- E-911 Call Center / Dispatch with EMD
- 9 Ambulances Services –
Ashland, Catskill, Coxsackie, Cairo, Durham, Greenville,
Hunter, Lexington, Prattsville & Windham
- First Response FD's –
Medway-Grapeville, New Baltimore, Palenville, Tannersville,
Jewett/East Jewett
- Police Agency Response – on Delta level calls only
- Paramedic Service – Greene County EMS
- Ambulance dispatched according to primary territory not closest available to the scene of the emergency.

Shortcomings / Problems with existing system

- Small operations for all Town's, except Catskill
- Administration and Operation of small services is a burden on towns and inefficient due to their call volume.
- Due to size of services – no economies of scale and no current purchasing cooperation
- Each agency covers calls according to town lines and CON's, not closest to the call

Shortcomings / Problems with existing system – cont.

- Excess Capacity: 21 ambulances, 6 fly cars, 27 defibrillators, 7 different billing agencies, etc.
- Rising wage and benefit levels
- Rising cost of equipment, medications, vehicles
- Increasingly costly state mandates
- No sharing of services
- Little shared training
- Supply of newly certified EMS personnel does not change much year to year
- Decreasing supply of volunteers

Ambulance Transports by Town

NYS DOH Zone (Town)		
<u>Zone</u>	<u>Responses</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Ashland (1950)	229	3%
Athens (1951)	(Included with Catskill)	---
Cairo (1952)	970	12%
Catskill (1953)	3,394	43%
Coxsackie (1954)	1,169	15%
Durham (1955)	463	6%
Greenville (1956)	358	5%
Hunter (1958)	494	6%
Jewett (1959)	43	1%
Lexington (1960)	63	1%
New Baltimore (1961)	223	3%
Prattsville (1962)	59	1%
Windham (1963)	<u>465</u>	<u>6%</u>
Total	7,930 x 85% =6,704 transports	100%

Destination Hospitals

- Columbia Memorial Hospital
- Albany Medical Center Hospital (Regional Trauma Center)
- St. Peter's Hospital
- Albany Memorial Hospital
- Kingston Hospital

Town Ambulance Revenue Recovery

- Average annual collection rate of 87% of third party billings.
- Average insurance paid per call- 5 year trend - \$516
 - 2009 - \$512
 - 2010 - \$510
 - 2011 - \$497
 - 2012 - \$536
 - 2013 - \$523

* Based upon agencies covering 30% of Greene County population

2012 - EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE FOR EMS ORGANIZATIONS IN GREENE COUNTY						
	EXPENDITURES			REVENUE		
	2012 Ambulance	2012 Paramedic	2012	2012 3rd Party	2012	2012
	Net Expenditures	Expenditures	Total	Collections, Other	Town/County Taxes	Total
Ashland	\$ 71,808.00	\$ 6,206.00	\$ 78,014.00	\$ 114,090.00	\$ -	\$ 114,090.00
Athens	\$ 61,875.00	\$ 21,194.00	\$ 83,069.00	\$ -	\$ 83,069.00	\$ 83,069.00
Cairo	\$ 546,543.00	\$ 46,582.00	\$ 593,125.00	\$ 262,269.01	\$ 330,856.00	\$ 593,125.00
Catskill	\$ 1,549,095.00	\$ 164,008.00	\$ 1,713,103.00	\$ 1,251,027.00	\$ 462,076	\$ 1,713,103.00
Coxsackie	\$ 624,073.00	\$ 86,372.00	\$ 710,445.00	\$ 399,510.00	\$ 310,935.00	\$ 710,445.00
Durham	\$ 264,247.00	\$ 17,420.00	\$ 281,667.00	\$ 231,788.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 306,788.00
Greenville	\$ 103,255.00	\$ 27,620.00	\$ 130,875.00	\$ 115,309.00	\$ 27,620.00	\$ 142,929.00
Hunter	\$ 304,734.00	\$ 30,618.00	\$ 335,352.00	\$ 231,612.00	\$ 103,740.00	\$ 335,352.00
Jewett	\$ 35,048.00	\$ 1,246.00	\$ 36,294.00	\$ -	\$ 36,294.00	\$ 36,294.00
Lexington	\$ 23,077.00	\$ 2,479.00	\$ 25,556.00	\$ -	\$ 25,556.00	\$ 25,556.00
New Balt	\$ 46,832.00	\$ 17,192.00	\$ 64,024.00	\$ -	\$ 64,024.00	\$ 64,024.00
Prattsville	\$ 27,282.00	\$ 5,728.00	\$ 33,010.00	\$ -	\$ 33,010.00	\$ 33,010.00
Windham	\$ 492,581.00	\$ 7,988.00	\$ 500,569.00	\$ 223,433.00	\$ 277,136.00	\$ 500,569.00
County	\$ -	\$ 870,610.00	\$ 870,610.00		\$ 870,610.00	\$ 870,610.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,150,450.00	\$ 1,305,263.00	\$ 5,455,713.00	\$ 2,829,038.01	\$ 2,699,926.00	\$ 5,528,964.00

Sample 2015 Budget - County Wide Budget				
Based on 8 on-duty and several on-call ambulances				
Revenue			Expenses Cont.	
400.1 · 3rd Party Billing (\$535/claim x 6,700 claim	\$ 3,584,500.00		565.2 · Booking / Payroll / etc.	\$ 35,000.00
400.2 · Tax District	\$ 2,183,672.00		565.3 · Legal Fees	\$ 10,000.00
400.3 · Assets of GCEMS - Year 1 only	\$ 100,000.00		565.4 · Public Relations	\$ 7,500.00
400.4 · Income Interest	\$ 4,000.00		574.1 · Radio Equipment	\$ 5,000.00
Total Revenue	\$ 5,872,172.00		574.2 · Portable Radios	\$ 5,000.00
			574.3 · Pagers	\$ 1,750.00
Expenses			574.5 · Radio Repair	\$ 2,000.00
500 · Bank Service Charges	\$ 1,700.00		580.1 · Building Rental	\$ 200,000.00
520 · Fees, Licenses & Permits	\$ 13,860.00		585.1 · Cell Phones/Wireless	\$ 24,200.00
525 · Ambulances	\$ 240,000.00		585.2 · Station Phones / Faxes	\$ 10,000.00
530 · Fuel	\$ 150,000.00		585.3 · Cable	\$ 3,000.00
540.1 · Disability Insurance	\$ 3,630.00		590 · Training / Skills / Conferences	\$ 18,000.00
540.2 · Liability Insurance	\$ 50,000.00		595 · Uniforms	\$ 53,750.00
540.3 · Workers Comp	\$ 308,000.00		596 · Vehicle Repairs	\$ 50,000.00
540.4 · Health Insurance	\$ 240,000.00		597 · Refuse Removal	\$ 3,500.00
550.1 · Life Pak Lease	\$ 75,000.00		601.1 · Executive Director	\$ 85,000.00
550.2 · Medical Equipment Repairs & Supplies	\$ 25,000.00		601.2 · Chief of Operations	\$ 65,000.00
550.3 · Medical Supplies	\$ 82,500.00		601.3 · Medic Supervisor	\$ 215,000.00
555.1 · Office Equipment	\$ 4,500.00		601.3 · Training Officer	\$ 50,000.00
555.2 · Postage	\$ 1,615.00		601.4 · Paramedic and MET	\$ 2,713,806.00
555.3 · Office Supplies	\$ 7,900.00		601.5 · Retirement	\$ 200,000.00
555.4 · Station Furniture / Appliances	\$ 5,000.00		601.6 · Secretary / Administrative Asst.	\$ 35,000.00
555.5 · IT Support	\$ 5,000.00		601.7 · Bookkeeping	\$ 30,000.00
555.6 · Toughbooks	\$ 24,000.00		601.8 · Medical Director	\$ 10,000.00
555.7 · Electronic PCR Annual Subscription	\$ 8,500.00		601.9 · Pre-employment Testing	\$ 3,500.00
555.8 · 3rd Party Billing Vendor	\$ 294,800.00		610.11 Misc Expenses	\$ 75,000.00
560.1 · FUTA	\$ -		611.1 · Public Authority Board Operations	\$ 10,000.00
560.2 · Medicare	\$ 46,544.00		Total Expenses	\$ 5,768,172.00
560.3 · NY Unemployment	\$ 36,600.00			
560.4 · Social Security	\$ 199,017.00		NOTE: this proposed budget is based on 2015 prices but the Total	
565.1 · Annual Audit	\$ 24,000.00		expenditures are based on 2012 prices.	14

Proposed Governance & CON

- Governance Structure:
 - Public Authority
 - Use the Greene County EMS model with a representative from each town. Elected or appointed
- Certificate of Need:
 - CON – for transporting ambulance service would be need to obtained through the Regional EMS Council and the DOH.
 - Towns and Volunteer Ambulances would surrender their CON's to the DOH.

Benefits of a Countywide Ambulance Service/ EMS System

- Better coordinated and effective overall ambulance coverage.
- Fewer overall personnel – lower costs and dealing with static supply of medics and EMT's
- More career tracks for Paramedics & EMT's
- Less duplication of services
- Opportunity for specialization – bariatric ambulance, tactical EMS, mass casualty EMS, wilderness rescue.
- Enhanced Healthcare Services. Expanded Paramedic role for underserved areas with medics trained to higher level of care making home visits and providing community medical care.
- Most towns want out of the ambulance business.
- County-wide standard of care / standard level of training.
- We can design system instead of allowing default system.

Proposed Deployment:

- Scaled Deployment
- Call volume: About 12,000 dispatches (includes ALS, First Response & PD)
- Transports: About 6,700 currently
- Ambulance Deployment: Minimum 8 on-duty all times
Additional on-call crews
Peak level and Special duty as needed
Potentially use “M-xR” model
- 3rd Party billing – single vendor or do it ourselves
- EMT/Paramedic emergency crew configuration for ALS ambulances
- Response time/standards Standard for CAAS is 8:59 90%
- On-call / Back up capability
- Transports from hospitals and nursing homes would be provided
- Keep and enhance First Response agencies (FD's and Police)
- Volunteers – keep and welcome into the system. They would not be used for on-duty minimum staffing. Great training and conduit to paid positions.

Proposed Operational Structure

Executive Director

Chief of Operations

24 hour On-duty Supervisor

Training Officer

Administrative/Clerk Support person

Greene County - Benefits / Drawbacks

Benefits:

1. No County Dept. created or county employees hired.
2. Easier coordination of services with one entity providing service.
3. No further \$\$ from budget for Greene County EMS, \$1 million plus currently.

Drawbacks:

1. County would act to create a tax district and public authority through the state legislature.
2. Cost shifting from an individual town tax to a county wide tax

Towns - Benefits / Drawbacks

Benefits:

1. Alleviate each individual town from directly running or contracting for ambulance service , payroll, purchasing, accounts payable, billing coordination, etc.
2. Free up \$\$ in town budgets from tens of thousands to hundreds of thousands. Potential taxpayer relief depending on what each town decides to do with their budget.
3. Representation from each town on a board or authority.
4. Greater future opportunity for experience and advancement for existing employees EMT's & Paramedics working busy/slow areas.

Drawbacks:

1. Each town ultimately gives up providing its own service and thus control over it.
2. Employees who work for multiple agencies may lose the number of hours that they are accustomed to working.

Greene County EMS - Benefits / Drawbacks

Benefits:

1. Serves as catalyst to get new program started with staff and medics.
2. Greene EMS transitions out of existence as new service grows to cover the county.

Drawbacks:

1. Corporation ceases to exist.
2. No further GCEMS board involving Town's, County & EMS Council

Public - Benefits / Drawbacks

Benefits:

1. County wide system devoid of arbitrary municipal lines employing System Status Management, closest ambulance to call.
2. Ability to provide a standardized level of care throughout the county.
3. Ability to meet a county wide response time standard
4. Savings with Economies of scale
5. Rural Medicine opportunities

Drawbacks:

1. Savings in EMS budgets not passed on to taxpayers.
2. Loss of direct local control

Town / EMS Buy-In

- A new county-wide EMS agency will need ambulances and equipment. What should be the contribution of the towns/squads in light of the fact that town taxes for EMS will fall to \$0 once the new agency is operational?
- Do the towns/squads donate these items to the new agency?
- Do they sell their ambulances and equipment on the open market and then contribute some portion of those proceeds to the new corporation to enable it to purchase new ambulances and equipment?
- What other approaches can be taken that are fair to the towns/squads and to the new county-wide agency?
- Each Town/EMS Agency buy-in to the system would be different in terms of ambulances, equipment, stations, etc.

Next Steps

- Request County Legislature appoint a Task Force
- Task Force utilizes consultants to further evaluate the proposal
- Funding of \$20,000 already available from Rural Health Network for the Task Force
- Final Proposal/Plan brought to Legislature & Towns – by March 2014

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