

Minutes

Town of Cairo

Town Board Workshop Session

Wednesday November 18th, 2020

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The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a workshop meeting on Wednesday November 18th, 2020 at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Attendance: Supervisor Coyne, Council Member Cords, Council Member Kralovich, Council Member Powers.

Absent: Council Member Watts

Open Public Hearing @6:58PM

Offered by Council Member Powers and seconded by Council Member Cords.

Supervisor Coyne – Aye, Council Member Cords – Aye, Council Member Kralovich – Aye, Council Member Powers – Aye, Council Member Watts – Absent. Motion Carried.

- ➤ Due to the State raising some items this year the Town saw some increases in there budget; NYS Retirement for general employees & police officers/social security, Medicare/workers comp., for highway dept. and the Town Hall. Most items in the budget have stayed the same for the most part.
- The Governor cut the chip funding by 20%. Chips is money to be used for projects that will last for 10 years or more.
- ➤ The Town taxable assessed value is 402,597,024, appropriations are 2,317,059.18, and highway dept. was 1,343,382.87. Lighting districts have stayed the same. Total tax levy of 3,941,080.92.
- Combined rate for everything of \$9.12 per thousand, last year \$9.22 per thousand.

Close Public Hearing @ 7:04PM

Offered by Council Member Kalovich and seconded by Council Member Cords.

Supervisor Coyne – Aye, Council Member Cords – Aye, Council Member Kralovich – Aye, Council Member Powers – Aye, Council Member Watts – Absent. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Coyne called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and then asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

START OF OFFICIAL WORKSHOP MEETING

Items to Discuss:

- EDU Decrease
 - Lamenec speaks about current EDU bill, which is \$115.00 per quarter per household. We currently only have 1 small loan left about \$40,000.00 left. With an average of 580 EDU in the town that being paid on and due to the fact that the money being paid cannot be used for anything but the debt, the town Water District has concurred with the Town Board that the EDU bills can be decreased from \$115.00 to about 25-30 dollars per quarter.
- Water Rate Increase
 - Lamenec speaks again about a possible increase in the water usage billing from 61.81 to 70.00 for people who have a water usage anywhere from 0 to 9,000 gallons. Along with an increase across the board for people who use more than 9, 000 gallons per quarter. This includes also increasing the hydrant district by 13.25%, which is still very minimal just like the increase to the water billing.
- EDU's on unbuildable properties
 - There are a few residents that have been questioning EDU for properties with no building or just non-buildable. If the property is a non-buildable location then the property is only billed half of an EDU.
- Ken Klingerman
 - Mr. Klingerman has been charged by the code and building dept. for the excess amount of vehicles at his property on Spahlmer Dr. due to the fact that it is a zoning issue. He would like the Town to say that he is not in violation due to the fact that the salvage and junkyard laws were after he started to have multiple vehicles at his residence. He has been in business since 1968 and at this location since 1975 before the laws were created. The Town recommend that he goes to court on his scheduled date and then come back to the Town due to the fact that board has stated that they should not interfere with a court case.
- Police Reform
 - This reform has been approved by Governor Cuomo for all of NYS, but the State Police are exempt. It's to help get focus on the police in the state. The goal of the reform is to gather a group of people that follow the guideline approved to get together and make a panel and to have 2-4 meetings to discuss amongst the public about issues and other items that arise. This reform needs to be completed and sent it to prove that it was completed by April 2021.

Offered by Council Member Kralovich and seconded by Council Member Cords.

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy and a need for a Part-time Employee with the Cairo Highway Department. Therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED that Charles Olivett has been hired effective October 28, 2020 at a rate of \$15.00 per hour.

Supervisor Coyne – Aye, Council Member Cords – Aye, Council Member Kralovich – Aye, Council Member Powers – Aye, Council Member Watts – Absent. Motion Carried.

<u>Resolution No. 2020-176</u> "Authorization for Sergeant Busch to obtain vehicle info and pricing" THIS IS WHAT THE BOARD APPROVED AT THE LAST MEETING. NOT SURE WHETHER YOU WANT TO SCRAP OR JUST CREATE A NEW ONE AND THEN APPROVE THE NEXT ONE FOR THE ACTUAL VEHICLE.

Supervisor Coyne – Aye, Council Member Cords – Aye, Council Member Kralovich – Aye, Council Member Powers – Aye, Council Member Watts – Absent. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2020-177 "Adopt Town Budget for 2021"

Offered by Supervisor Coyne and seconded by Council Member Cords.

WHEREAS, the Town Board does hereby adopt the Town Budget for 2021 as presented to the Town Board.

Supervisor Coyne – Aye, Council Member Cords – Aye, Council Member Kralovich – Aye, Council Member Powers – Aye, Council Member Watts – Absent. Motion Carried.

Adjourn Town Board Meeting @ 8:01 PM

Offered by Council Member Powers and seconded by Council Member Kralovich.

Supervisor Coyne – Aye, Council Member Cords – Aye, Council Member Kralovich – Aye, Council Member Powers – Aye, Council Member Watts – Absent. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla L. Warner Town Clerk