



Minutes

Town of Cairo

Wednesday February 3rd, 2021

Town Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Location: Town Hall Meeting Room

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a Town Board Meeting on Monday February 3rd, 2020, at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York.

Supervisor Coyne called the meeting to order @ 7:04 and asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Absent: Council Member Cords, Council Member Watts

New Business:

1. Public Hearing Discussion – CDBG
 - *Resolution No. 2021-056*
 - There will be a Public Hearing on Tuesday February 9th, 2021 to discuss this grant for Jerome Avenue.
2. Next meeting is on Wednesday February 17th, 2021 @ 7:00PM
 - Presentation about the park while accommodating children with special needs

Resolution No. 2021-056 “Town of Cairo Jerome Avenue Water Improvement Project”

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

INTENT TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING IN THE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE CATEGORY

WHEREAS New York State Housing and Community Renewal, Office of Community Renewal has announced the availability of New York State Community Development Block Grant funding under the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA); and

WHEREAS under the CDBG Program, approximately \$49 million is available to eligible communities within New York State; and

WHEREAS the New York State Community Development Block Grant Program is a federally funded program authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 that is administered by Office of Community Renewal (OCR); and

WHEREAS the Office of Community Renewal CDBG Program provides funding to eligible communities under the Public Infrastructure and Planning categories; and

WHEREAS the Town of Cairo, Greene County, New York (hereinafter the “Town”) has established the public benefit to the Town residents of the improvement of water distribution lines and services along Jerome Avenue in the Town (hereinafter the “Project”); and

WHEREAS the Town has solicited for public comments to determine the amount of public support or opposition to the proposed construction as well as conducted a public hearing on **February 9, 2021 at 7p.m.** where a preliminary plan was presented; and

WHEREAS the application requires that the governing body of the Applicant adopt or pass, as an official act, a resolution, motion or similar action authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the Applicant to submit the subject application and all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directs and authorizes the person identified as the official representative of the Applicant to act in connection with the submission of the application and to provide such additional information as may be required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Cairo Town Board Authorizes the Supervisor to submit an application to the Office of Community Renewal CDBG Planning program for a maximum of \$1,250,000 and shall leave a copy of the application materials at Town Hall for inspection by Town residents. The Supervisor shall act as the official representative of the Town to act in connection with the submission of the application and to provide such additional information as may be required; and the application requires that the governing body of the Applicant provide for and encourage citizen participation through a minimum of two public hearings, one at the time of application and one during the grant administration process, for the purpose of obtaining citizens’ views and responding to proposes and questions; and Environmental review procedures contained in 24 CFR Part 58 applies to this program; and that the Town Board will assume all of the responsibilities for environmental review, decision making, and action pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and This resolution will take effect immediately.

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

Resolution No. 2021-057 “Appointment Code Enforcement Officer”

Offered by Council Member Powers and seconded by Supervisor Coyne.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby appoint and set salary of the Code Enforcement Officer as follows:

Stacy Sprague continues in her appointment as Code Enforcement Officer - Full Time, at an hourly rate of \$23.00 not to exceed 40 hours per week.

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

Resolution No. 2021-058 “Budget Amendments and Payment of Bills on Abstract #302 for January Payables & Prepaids”

Offered by Council Member Kralovich and seconded by Supervisor Coyne.

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

RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize that Abstract #302 Payables and Prepaids, consisting of 2021 Vouchers #106564 through #106666 in the amount of \$785,015.03 is approved for payment;

The total amount to be paid from the:

General Fund -	\$587,238.32	Hydrant -	\$8,500.00
Highway Fund -	\$48,262.47	Capital Water-	\$431.17
Street Lighting -	\$ -0-	Sidewalk -	\$-0-
Sewer Fund -	\$15,856.85	Trust & Agency -	\$6,599.20
Water Fund -	\$24,280.16	Special Fire -	\$93,846.86

Voucher #106633 for \$101,938.86 was deleted.

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

Resolution No. 2021-059 “Appointment of Part-Time Highway Employees”

Offered by Council Member Powers and seconded by Supervisor Coyne.

WHEREAS, there are openings for part-time employees in the Highway Department. Therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED that Mark Uhl has been hired effective January 28, 2021 at a rate of \$15.00 per hour with the Town of Cairo Highway Department. Also;

BE IT RESOLVED that Robert Agostinoni will continue as a part-time employee at a rate of \$15.00 per hour.

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

Resolution No. 2021-060 “Budget Amendments on 2020 Budget”

Offered by Supervisor Coyne and seconded by Council Member Kralovich.

WHEREAS, Town law requires that no fund or appropriation account may be overdrawn, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize the following budget amendments (see attached excel sheet) **(ADD EXCEL SHEET WHEN UPLOADIN MINUTES TO WEBSITE)**

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

Resolution No. 2021-061 “Pursue Grant Opportunities for Fossil Forest”

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

WHEREAS, It has been determined that the Town of Cairo has the oldest Fossil Forrest in the World. The Town would like to move forward with assuring preservation of this area. Therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby grant permission to pursue grant opportunities for a feasibility study for the Cairo Fossil Forrest.

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

Resolution No. 2021-062 “Establishing a Not for Profit for the Fossil Forest”

Offered by Supervisor Coyne and seconded by Council Member Kralovich.

WHEREAS, It has been determined that the Town of Cairo has the oldest Fossil Forest in the World, and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo wants to explore every avenue for securing funds to be able to continue to preserve this area, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cairo Town Board does hereby approve the establishing of a Not for Profit for the Fossil Forrest to allow us to pursue funding opportunities.

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

Adjourn Town Board Meeting @ 7:14PM

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

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

Respectfully Submitted

Kayla L. McAlister
Town Clerk