

### **Minutes**

#### **Town of Cairo**

### Wednesday April 17th, 2024

Town Board Meeting @ 7:00PM

**Location: Town Hall Meeting Room** 

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a Town Board Meeting on Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York. Council Member Cords called the meeting to order @ 7:00PM and asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance: Supervisor Watts, Council Member Bogins, Council Member Flaherty, Council Member Murphy.

Absent: Council Member Cords

#### **Minutes:**

## April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024:

Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Flaherty.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

#### **New Business:**

- Executive Session
  - Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Flaherty.
    - Opened @ 7:01PM

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

- Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Bogins.
  - Closed @ 7:15PM

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

- Local Law Establishing No Parking, Stopping or Standing Zones
  - Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Flaherty
    - Opened @ 7:16PM

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

A gentleman from the public asks what the law actual entails. Council Member Flaherty states that it is an amendment to the law saying that an officer can give you a ticket for your car without the owner having to be present. This is mainly to get people to move vehicles in snow emergencies and other times when vehicles should not be present on Main Street.

- ➤ The goal is give people the opportunity to understand and be more aware of the situation for vehicles being moved, the goal is not to tow vehicles. This would also cover people who park at Hannaford in the fire lanes.
- Mary Finneran ask if people can contest it; yes. If you don't you can pay the ticket at the Town Clerk's Office.
- o Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Council Member Bogins
  - Closed @ 7:25PM

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

- Decorative Planters donated and maintained by the Greene County Agricultural Society Board
  - o *Resolution No. 2024-097*
  - 'We are looking to add decorative planters in front of the green youth building at the fairgrounds under or near the current sign that is in place. Auggie Freeman of Unlimited metalwork's has agreed to donate the materials and build the planters. We want to have them there permanently throughout the year so we won't have to move them each fair. The Greene County Agricultural Society Board, who puts on the Youth Fair each year, will be responsible for maintenance and planting of the containers. We do not wish to add any additional responsibility to the Town Parks Department. A. Johnk'
- Town Clean-Up Day 2024
  - o Resolution No. 2024-102

### **Public Comment:**

- Mrs. Freeman ask about the handicap swing at the park, it was removed to be repaired and it has been a while since it has been back. Supervisor Watts says he will look into it and see where it is.
- Mary asks about the Water Report, the board states that there will be more information at the next meeting and they will look over the information that she has sent to them about the PFOA's and some grant opportunities through the EPA. In order to do this the Town will have to hire a grant writer and see what the Water Dept. needs. Mary says that she can help them out if needed.
- Supervisor Watts addressed the multiple water main breaks that the Town has had this year. There was also mention of the time frame of when a water boil alert would be put out if ever needed. Also mention the reason for some of these breaks due to the pipe system being at least 25-30 years old.

# <u>Resolution No. 2024-089</u> "Approve the Adoption of Local Law #2 of 2024 Establishing No Parking, Stopping or Standing Zones within the Town of Cairo"

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Supervisor Watts.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Cairo, County of Greene hereby proposes to enact certain changes to the Town of Cairo Parking, Stopping and Standing Law from Local Law #3 of 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, that on April  $1^{st}$ , 2024 at 7:00PM, at the Cairo Town Hall, the Town Board held a Public Hearing; Therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board of the Town of Cairo approves to adopt Local Law #2 of 2024 to Establish No Parking Zones within the Town of Cairo and directs the Town Clerk to file the necessary paperwork with the Secretary of State

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### Resolution No. 2024-095 "Amend 2024 Budget for Police Grant"

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Council Member Bogins.

**WHEREAS**, the town received grant money for the police department for purchase of new body cameras in 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for accounting purposes to track the expenses and appropriations associated with these funds; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to amend the expense line item A-3120.200 (Police Equipment) to reflect the increase in General Fund Appropriations \$22,000.00 and; increase the appropriated fund balance A-522 (Appropriated Fund Balance) to reflect the appropriation in General Fund in the amount of \$22,000.00 in the 2024 budget.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

## Resolution No. 2024-096 "Accept Water Billing"

Offered by Council Member Bogins and seconded by Council Member Murphy.

**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 does hereby accept the Water Billing from the Water Administrator in the amount of \$47,944.01 dated April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

## <u>Resolution No. 2024-097</u> "Approve Greene County Agricultural Society to Install Decorative Planters at the Town Park"

Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Flaherty.

**WHEREAS**, the Greene County Agricultural Society Board is requesting permission to purchase and install metal decorative planter near the Green Youth Building at the Angelo Canna Town Park; and

**WHEREAS**, all responsibility for maintenance and filling the planters will be assumed by the Greene County Agricultural Society. Therefore;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve the installation of metal decorative planters near the Green Youth Building.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### Resolution No. 2024-098 "Appoint Board of Assessment Review Member"

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Supervisor Watts.

**WHEREAS**, Mary Savoia was appointed as the Chairman of the BAR which created a vacancy for a member of the Board of Assessment Review. Mary's member term expires on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027.

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill the Board of Assessment Review member position. Therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board does hereby appoint **Christine Heath** to the remaining member term of Mary Savoia on the Board of Assessment Review which expires on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027 effective immediately at a pay rate of \$225.00 annually to attend the scheduled mandated three meetings. Additional meetings after the third meeting will be paid at a rate of \$35.00 per meeting.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### Resolution No. 2024-099 "Approve Private Road Name"

Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Bogins.

**WHEREAS**, a road naming application has been submitted for a private road off of North Alpine Drive to access parcel ID #s:135.02-1-55, 135.02-1-54, 135.02-1-53 and 135.02-1-50 only; and

**WHEREAS**, a road name is requested in order to obtain 911 signs for the development as required by state law. Therefore;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve the name Little Bear Lane for the private road located at parcel #s listed above so 911 signs may be obtained.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### Resolution No. 2024-100 "Approve to Hire Part Time EMT"

Offered by Council Member Bogins and seconded by Council Member Flaherty.

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo Ambulance has a vacancy and is in need of a part-time EMT

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Cairo Ambulance would like to hire EMT Anna Smith part-time at an hourly rate of \$20.80 per hour effective April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024; Therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Cairo Town Board does hereby approve the hiring of EMT Anna Smith effective April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

## <u>Resolution No. 2024-101</u> "Approve Long Term Disability Proposal for Ambulance Union Contract" Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Bogins.

WHEREAS, the Cairo Town Board approved the Town of Cairo Ambulance Union Contact from 2024-2026; and

WHEREAS, part of the negotiation approved to implement a disability plan; and

**WHEREAS**, The Hartford has provided the Town of Cairo a proposal of Employee Benefits for a Long-Term Disability Plan; Therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo does hereby approve to add the disability program plan options, costs and parameters outlined in the proposal to the Ambulance Contract.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### Resolution No. 2024-102 "Cairo Town Clean Up Day"

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Council Member Murphy.

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Cairo will be holding a Town Clean-Up Day on Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from the hours of 8:00AM-3:00PM where the residents of the town can bring their recycling items to the Town Highway Department facilities; Therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Cairo Town Board does hereby approve the advertisement for the Town Clean-up day by the Town Highway Department facilities, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that residents will have to show proof of residency, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that residents may recycle general demolition items, furniture, up to a maximum of four tires and metal. No raw garbage will be allowed.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### Resolution No. 2024-103 "Authorizing Public Hearing"

Offered by Council Member Bogins and seconded by Council Member Murphy.

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo is proposing a project to extend the Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, The Greene County Industrial Development Agency (IDA), with its partners Greene County and the Town of Cairo, are planning the extension of sewer lines (approximately 1500 LF) from the vicinity of Main Street across NYS Route 23 to a point of termination at parcel (101.00-2-38) which is currently vacant. Therefore;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00PM, at the Cairo Town Hall, the Cairo Town Board shall hold a Public Hearing to accept comment on the extension of the **Sewer** District Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

## Resolution No. 2024-104 "Authorizing Public Hearing"

Offered by Supervisor Watts and seconded by Council Member Flaherty.

WHEREAS, the Town of Cairo is proposing a project to extend the Water District; and

WHEREAS, The Greene County Industrial Development Agency (IDA), with its partners Greene County and the Town of Cairo, are planning the extension of water lines (approximately 1,500 LF) from the vicinity of Main Street across NYS Route 23 to a point of termination at parcel (101.00-2-38) which is currently vacant. Therefore;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00PM, at the Cairo Town Hall, the Cairo Town Board shall hold a Public Hearing to accept comment on the extension of the **Water** District Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

### **Public Monthly Reports: (Not Discussed)**

- Ambulance (March)
  - Total calls 85 / transported calls 79
- Assessor
  - 19 sales/transfers for the month of February
  - 5 valid arm's length
- Library (March)
  - o 1,941 items circulated / 1,330 in attendance / 12 new library cards / 29 new programs
- Building and Code (March)
  - o 13 building permits / 7 municipal searches / 29 total inspections
  - 4 certificates of occupancy / 7 certificates of compliance
  - 1 new violations & complaints / 1 court case for trial / 1 case in court
- Tax Collector
  - As indicated, 85% of the warrant has been collected totaling an amount of \$7,179,401.51.
- Police Department December
  - Total mileage for cars 574/575/576/577: 1,206
  - o 12 Criminal Complaints / 86 Incident Reports / 582 Aid citizens/requests/services
  - 5 accident responses / 10 arrests / 4 traffic tickets
- Zoning Department (March)
  - o 20 inquiries / 2 subdivision applications / 5 site plan applications
  - o 3 complaints/violations / 0 fire inspections / 2 zoning board of appeals

## Adjourn Town Board Meeting @ 7:51PM

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Council Member Bogins.

Supervisor Watts – Aye, Council Member Bogins – Aye, Council Member Cords – Absent, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Kayla L. McAlister Cairo Town Clerk