

Regular Meeting
Of the Town Board of the Town of Cuba

Held at the Cuba Library, 39 East Main Street, Cuba, NY

Present:

Supervisor: Robert Carney
Council Persons: Steven Nease, Joseph Miller, Jerry Scott, Daniel McGraw
Also, Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk, Chad Smith, Highway Supt.,
Dustin Burch, Police Chief & Ambulance Administrator

Supervisor Carney called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm.

Public Comments: Jeff Bradley delivered compliments to the highway department from residents on the south shore of the Lake. They are pleased with the snow plowing this year. The snow is not being pushed so far off the road that it is causing damage to their lawns and property. Chad Smith, Highway Superintendent, added he has asked the County DPW to come remove the snow that has already built up to avoid any possible trouble that may be caused by future snow.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting 01/13/15: Miller motioned to accept the Minutes as presented. McGraw seconded, all in agreement, motion passed. Carney asked that the August 2014 Minutes be amended to include the reason he abstained from a vote to hire Adam Depp for the construction work inside the new Town Hall. He abstained with reasoning that he is a personal friend of Depp's and also the fact he is Carney's son's brother-in-law. Scott moved to amend the Minutes, seconded by Nease. All agreed and the Minutes will show the change.

Approve Supervisor's Report for January: Carney was unable to provide the Supervisor's Report. The company now doing the financials for the Town did not have it prepared in time for the meeting. The report will be given at next month's meeting.

Approve General & Highway Abstracts for January: Scott motioned to approve the Abstract with the addition of a \$273.00 invoice from the Attorney for the Town, seconded by Nease. All in favor, motion passed. The General Fund is \$113,830.54 with the addition; Highway Fund is \$80,595.20.

Board Comments: There are no comments at this time.

Clerk's Comments: As Clerk, things are calm, but the tax collection at the end of January was very hectic. Orcutt had collected 76% of the levy through January 31.

Police Department Comments: Cuba Police responded to 326 calls to service in January and developed 11 cases from these. The Police Department handled 16 motor vehicle accidents, 7 in the Town, 2 in the Village, 1 on the Lake and 6 on I-86. There were 47 Traffic Stops conducted with 23 Traffic Summons issued, 12 in the Town, 7 in the Village, 4 on the Lake and 0 on I-86. The Police Department also handled 2 noise complaints, 8 motorist assists, 7 vehicle lock-outs, 4 parking tickets were issued, 7 other agency assists, and 4 domestic disputes. The Police Department assisted the Ambulance on 7 calls. The Police Department conducted 1 safety car seat installations. Pill drop offs completed were 9, and needle/sharps drop offs was 1. Business funds escorts totaled 26. Patrols checked Cuba businesses and properties of residents out of town 52 times.

John Dunn is resigning as he has taken a position with Erie County and Josh Tyler is contemplating moving out of state. Chief Burch does not feel these positions need to be filled at this time.

Ambulance Comments: The Cuba Ambulance has 3 members who have recently passed the Basic EMT course, Thomas Feneran, Shawn Day-Frederik and Sierra Rose. There are 7 getting their recertification through the NYS Pilot Program.

Cuba Ambulance Service responded to a total of 33 calls to service in January of 2015. 26 of those calls were taken to Olean General Hospital, 0 was taken to Jones Memorial Hospital, 3 were sign offs and 1 standby for a fire, 1 cancelled enroute and 1 assist in Friendship. 13 of these calls were critical care with Cuba handling 10 and Trans Am taking 3. 14 of these calls were in the Village of Cuba, 8 were in the Town of Cuba, 9 were in New Hudson, 1 in West Clarksville and 1 in Friendship.

Highway Department Comments:

Work performed in January included the following services:

- Plowed and sanded 20 of the 31 days
- Replaced furnace as 2 of the 3 motors were bad

Equipment Repairs:

- New rear sander sprockets in Sterling
- Built battery boxes and cover for hydraulics on Mack
- Replaced sander screen in Peterbilt
- Installed new rotor-beam light on Mack

Dog Control Officer Comments:

01/08/15: Investigated a complaint of dog running at large and in poor condition. After responding to the call, determined complaint was unfounded.

01/14/15: Request to keep a lookout for two dogs that may be in the Cuba area from Clarksville.

01/18/15: Cuba PD reported a dog running from Murdock's the Block Barn. Before Patterer could respond, owner notified him they caught their dog.

01/24/15: Delivered 3 failure to license dog tickets.

Code Enforcement Comments:

- Permit issued for 5543 Stowell Road for the installation of a mobile home
- Inspected framing for garage at 52 South Shore Road

Old Business:

Route 446 Property Sale (Water St.): Linda Simons is working on a contract between the Town and VIP Realty for the sale of the property originally purchased to build a Town Hall. It should be ready by 02/11/2015. The contract is for three months.

Echo Lanes Sewer District: The Board has decided to decommission the District as there is no longer a need. The project will be done in the spring when the weather breaks.

New Business:

Highway Superintendent Pick-up Truck: Smith has provided the Board with a State Bid of \$34,396.65 for the purchase price of a replacement truck for the Highway Superintendent. Smith states the price will be somewhat less, as the plow on the truck on State Bid is not what the Town needs. There is a simpler version that can be substituted. The older truck will be placed out to bid as motioned by Scott and seconded by Nease. The funding is already available for the purchase; there will be no need to borrow any money.

New Town Hall: It is believed that there is an electric cable buried near where the Town wishes to build the Police bays. The school is going to provide a map with its location. After seeing where it is, we can proceed with plans for the bays. Other things in need of securing are to ask Tom Swift to provide stamped drawings of the building so a building permit can be issued by the Village. When the drawings are approved, the work can be put out to bid for contractors. The contractors will work with Mr. Swift and Doug Burt, who did the electrical work on the original building. The inside of the Town Hall will also need an inspection as it is a public building. There will also be ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements that need to be met. After some discussion, Scott moved to go forth with the building plans as soon as we know where the bays can be built. McGraw seconded the motion, all in favor, passed.

Committee Reports: Anyone working on a committee with active business should give a monthly report.

Municipal Energy Program: Carney has provided information to MEP to be able to take into consideration to possibly switching some utilities to another company to save money. A quote will be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting. This is similar to what the Town did with the telephone service.

Community Action Support Letter: Carney spoke of a letter received from Cattaraugus Community Action, Inc. It states that Allegany County and Cattaraugus Community Action are partnering on a grant application to provide mobile home replacements for low income Allegany County residents. If funded, this grant will provide new, Energy Star rated manufactured homes for those homeowner in the greatest need. They are requesting a letter of support be sent to them if the Town of Cuba is interested in trying to secure funds for the Community Block Grant. The Town has participated in these types of programs in the past through Cuba Community Development Center. Scott motioned to have Carney compose and send a letter of support for applying for the funding. Nease seconded the motion and the entire Board agreed. The motion passed.

At 7:48 pm Scott motioned to move to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Nease, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt
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**TOWN OF CUBA
APPOINTMENTS AND DESIGNATIONS
2015**

Depository: Five Star Bank for all accounts, with the exception of the Town Clerk's account, which will remain with Community Bank.

Monthly Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of each month at Cuba Library

Official News Paper:	Cuba Patriot
Attorney:	David Pullen
Deputy Supervisor:	Steve Nease
Registrar of Vital Stats:	Nancy Orcutt
Deputy Registrar	Jeff Orcutt
Deputy Town Clerk:	Jeff Orcutt
Police Commissioner:	Rob Carney
Historian:	David Crowley
Dog Control	Richard Patterer
Ambulance Administrator	Dustin Burch

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COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Police Committee:	Dan McGraw & Dustin Burch
Highway Committee:	Steve Nease & Chad Smith
Ambulance Committee:	Joe Miller & Dustin Burch
Equipment Committee:	Steve Nease, Chad Smith & Dustin Burch
**Sewer District Committee:	Steve Nease & Dan McGraw
**Facilities Committee:	Jerry Scott, Dustin Burch, & Chad Smith
Budget Committee:	Entire board
Board of Ethics:	Rob Carney, Joe Miller & Nancy Orcutt
Grievance Committee:	Mike Miller, Bill Allis, Rod Cady

****NEW COMMITTEES CREATED**

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