

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: Timothy Ramsey, Joseph Miller, Daniel McGraw
 Also, Present: Nancy Orcutt, Town Clerk
 Dustin Burch, Police Chief & Ambulance Administrator
 Absent: Steven Nease, Council Person, Chad Smith, Hwy. Supt.
 Dana Harvey, Sewer District # 5 Maintenance

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

Public Comments: Brian DeVaney wondered about state or federal funding to help the town's financial situation. Carney noted we receive funding for roads, bridges, police programs, equipment grants, and the loan for our Sewer District #5 was a federal grant at 0% interest. We also have a lot of shared services which saves a large sum of money for the taxpayers.

Approve Minutes 4/12/2016: Miller motioned to accept the Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Ramsey seconded, all in agreement, passed.

Approve Supervisor's Report for April: The General Fund received \$16,509.00 and disbursed \$75,090.48 while the Highway Fund Received \$196.00 and disbursed \$43,589.98. McGraw motioned to accept the Supervisor's Report as presented, seconded by Miller. All in favor, passed.

Approve General & Highway Abstracts for May: The General Fund is \$49,674.89 and the Highway Fund totaled \$113,477.58. Miller moved to accept the Abstract, seconded by McGraw. All in favor, passed.

Clerk's Correspondence: The Cuba Lake Association has submitted a permit for the annual July 3 fireworks display. Ramsey motioned to accept the permit, seconded by Miller. All in favor, passed.

Police Department Comments: Cuba Police responded to 324 calls to service and developed 44 cases from these. The Police Department handled 17 motor vehicle accidents, 8 in the Town, 6 in the Village, 1 on the Lake and 2 on I-86. There were 88 Traffic Stops conducted with 53 Traffic Summons issued, 23 in the Town, 20 in the Village, 8 on the Lake and 2 on I-86. The Police Department also handled 0 noise complaints, 12 motorist assists, 11 vehicle lock-outs, 8 parking tickets/complaints, 5 domestic disputes, and 12 other agency assists. The Police Department assisted the Ambulance on 13 calls. Pill drop offs completed were 53. Business funds escorts totaled 19. Patrols checked Cuba businesses and properties of residents out of town 16 times. A pill drop off is slated for April 30 at the Cuba Fire Hall from 10 am until 2 pm. Patrols road on the school buses for OPERATION SAFE STOP with no violations observed.

Ambulance Comments: Cuba Ambulance Service responded to a total of 37 calls to service. Of those calls 24 were taken to Olean General Hospital, 2 went to Jones Memorial, 5 sign-offs, and 2 standby for fire and 2 for Mercy Flight, and 2 were cancelled. Out of 11 Critical Care calls, Cuba took 6 and Olean 10, 5. This month Cuba Ambulance saved \$1,699.20 in taking 6 Critical Care calls.

Highway Department Comments:

Worked performed included the following services:

- Started grading dirt roads
- Ditched on Stout, Spring Valley and Munger Hollow roads
- Plowed and sanded two days in April

Equipment Repairs:

- Replaced throttle cable on broom
- Replaced broken rim on tractor
- Replaced slide boards on Sterling

Dog Control Report:

- ❖ Handled complaint on village resident having too many dogs.
- ❖ Issued warning to resident for dog running at large
- ❖ Handled a call of a dog that had jumped out of vehicle and went into a gas station. Owner returned short time later for his dog.
- ❖ Complaint of a dog attack, working on dangerous dog hearing
- ❖ Received several complaints of dogs running at large

Code Enforcement Comments:

- Permits written for a pole barn, garage, and deck extension
- Fielded several phone calls concerning projects
- Completed one inspection

Sewer Committee: Dana Harvey notified Carney of a situation at the corner of Route 305 and Jackson Hill Road that needs resolved. Miller will look for a backup in the event Harvey is unavailable for service.

Facilities Committee: The flag pole will be installed before Memorial Day an awning over the door along with a hand rail needs to be finished later this spring or early summer.

Old Business:

- **Cuba Cemetery Association:** Last month the Association requested more money than what was in the budget to help maintain the cemetery. Carney wrote a letter to them to explain how the budget process works. After careful consideration, the Board approved by motion of Miller and second of McGraw to transfer \$400 from the contingency fund to the cemetery fund. All agreed, passed.

New Business:

- **Highway Building Assessment:** The building assessment increased by \$15,000. The reason for this is to help equalize the total inventory of the town. In general, if a (the) building were to ever be sold, its value needs to be at the proper assessment. It also helps with funding received from the government. This piece of property is currently not on the tax roll as it is owned by the Town.
- **CHIPS Funding:** The town is receiving approximately \$120,000 this year.
- **Emergency Management:** Every five years the county needs to review and revise the emergency management plan. The county is looking for input not only from the towns, but individuals. A survey may be taken at alleganyco.hmp.com.
- **Mowing:** Miller motioned to accept the bid from Dave Fuller for mowing the town properties and the cemetery twice a year. Motion seconded by Ramsey, all I favor, passed.

- **County Landfill Closing:** The county landfill will be closing very soon. The Hylan Landfill will take its place. The local transfer stations will remain open. The annual fee permits will be obsolete and it will be on a pay as you go basis.
- **Town Hall Air Conditioning:** The town has seen substantial savings on the heat bills this past winter. Due to the fact the building is so well insulated, it is necessary to install air conditioning. Several quotes were received, with Rich Ruggles being the most reasonable at \$8,250. Miller motioned to move funds as follows to pay for the project; Contingency Fund, \$3,000, Budget Provisions, \$3,000, Police Funds, \$1,500, and Building Fund, \$1,500. When the police car is sold at auction that money will go to replace what was borrowed. McGraw seconded, all in favor, passed.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm with motion from Carney and second from Miller. All in favor adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Orcutt
Town Clerk, Town of Cuba