# TOWN OF ELBRIDGE TOWN BOARD MEETING MAY 14th, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Elbridge met at 7PM at the Town Municipal Building, 5 Rte. 31, Jordan, NY to conduct their regular meeting. The board and guests practiced social distancing and all wore masks.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Vern Richardson opened the meeting at 7PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Councilor Doug Blumer, Councilor Floyd Duger, Councilor Mike Caron, and Supervisor Vern Richardson.

Councilor Todd Platten entered the meeting at 7:19.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Code Officer Howard Tanner, Town Attorney Timothy Frateschi, Recreation and senior Director Joe Patrick, and Clerk Deb Stapleton.

**ADOPT MINUTES:** On a motion by Councilor Blumer seconded by Councilor Duger the minutes from April 23rd, 2020 were approved.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

<u>Supervisor Richardson</u> discussed the most recent county Supervisor's Meeting and court clerks can return to work, to open mail and, etc. but no court sessions are being scheduled. Highway workers are back to normal hours. The offices can open on May 18<sup>th</sup>, and the annual trash program will also begin on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Only 4 people at a time may enter the building and masks are required.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Councilor Blumer</u> after speaking with Code Officer Tanner, a revised fee schedule may be considered for people doing Data Research. A \$50.00 charge for pulling files, electronically sending, and general research is charged by other towns and Elbridge should also, as it's time consuming.

<u>Code Officer Tanner</u>: discussed with Attorney Frateschi Chapter 73.4(a) of the town code regarding the removal of litter on private property. The property at 980 Schaap Road, Jordan, has had many OTR's and the owner has been to court before. A public hearing notice needs to be served 10 days prior to the Public Hearing.

On a motion of Councilor Blumer seconded by Councilor Duger the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Blumer Duger Caron Platten Richardson

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Resolution 70/20

**Resolved:** The Elbridge Town Board resolves to call for a Public Hearing on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7PM, at the Town Municipal Building, 5 Rte. 31, Jordan, NY, to hear a notice of violation, Chapter 73.4(a) litter on private property, for property at 980 Schaap Road, Jordan, NY, Tax Map #029.-03-14.2.

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On a motion of Councilor Blumer seconded by Councilor Duger the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Blumer Duger Caron Platten Richardson

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Resolution 71/20

**Resolved:** The Elbridge Town Board authorizes the office summer hours, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Thursday, and 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM on Friday will be effective May 18th, 2020 through September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

On a motion of Councilor Caron seconded by Councilor Platten the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Blumer Duger Caron Platten Richardson

0 NAYS

Resolutions 72/20

**Resolved:** The Elbridge Town Board resolves to enter into a (2) two-year contract with PERMA- for Worker's Compensation at Haylor, Freyer, and Coon at a cost of \$16,849 for coverage year July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 through July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

On a motion of Supervisor Richardson seconded by Councilor Platten the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 5 AYES Blumer Duger Caron Platten Richardson

0 NAYS

Resolutions 73/20

**Resolved:** The Elbridge Town Board resolves to prorate \$3,000 to Deputy Clerk Danielle Karlik for grant writing purposes.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilor Blumer: discussed Historian Jack Horner's annual report.

<u>Councilor Duger:</u> During this time of a pandemic, under Joe Patrick's leadership, there have been- so far- over 1000 meals delivered to seniors. The highway department and office staff have helped with delivery. There have been donations and Office of Aging reimburses.

Rec. Director Joe Patrick: reiterated Councilor Duger's report on meal deliveries. Joe discussed the JET program and using the bus, rather than the van will allow people to social distance. The program is limited on drivers, and there is concern for seniors not being able to socialize. Joe's team delivered cheerful baskets to 100 seniors- including flowers and games, and exercises for them to do at home. Joe put a call out to girl scouts and boy scouts (Daisy and Cub's, too) and got an immediate response with help. Recreational activity will be Phase IV, so maybe mid-July or August and parents who signed their kids up would like refunds. Hopefully there will be free play when it does resume. Building rental was discussed at length.

<u>Councilor Caron:</u> PERMA/ Worker's comp. has offered discounted prices for masks for employees. Discussion on ordering for future use. Workers Comp. insurance policy due

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July  $1^{st}$  and checked with the 3 providers- Comp. Alliance and PERMA- there is a 22.5% savings with PERMA. Discussion on the proposed water district involving Champion MHP and Sunview Drive. Water meeting on the  $20^{th}$ .

Councilor Platten: Courts will tentatively open in early June. The Environmental Commission has not met but will begin water monitoring of Skaneateles Creek and Carpenter's Brook. Made contact with Collier's regarding dog control.

Supervisor Richardson: Casey Westby will get a new laptop for the Town Website.

Councilor Duger asked if anything has been discussed about Route 5 lighting and the road's washboard effect.

**REPORTS:** Supervisors, Highway Superintendent, Codes, and Annual Historian's Report.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

On a motion of Councilor Duger seconded by Councilor Blumer the meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra H. Stapleton Elbridge Town Board