

August 13, 2020

Minutes of the Town Board of the Town of Catlin held August 13, 2020 at 7pm at the Town Hall which was held via conference call for the public to participate due to COVID-19 pandemic,

ROLLCALL: BM: William Collier, Catherine Edwards and Dave Silvernail
Supervisor LaVerne Phelps and Attorney John Mustico

Motion made by Collier, 2nd by Phelps to excuse BM Eugene Unwin from the board meeting.
CARRIED: ALL

Public Hearing – Property Maintenance:

Attorney John Mustico led the Public Hearing by giving the rules of conduct.

Opened for public comment at 7:03pm – no one commented – motion by Attorney Mustico to close the hearing at 7:04pm.

Motion made by Mustico; 2nd by Collier to close the public hearing concerning property maintenance.
CARRIED: ALL

Motion made by Edwards; 2nd by Collier to accept and place on file Town Clerk's minutes of July 9, 2020 as submitted.
CARRIED: ALL

Correspondence:

- Election: cost going up for 2021 - \$3490.00
- William Law – no increase in software cost

Motion made by Collier; 2nd by Edwards to receive and place on file all correspondence for further action if required.
CARRIED: ALL

Departmental Reports:

Supervisor Phelps – Talia Christiansen completed 15 hours of volunteer work for the Town; the County repaired the eaves over the main entrance

Motion made by Collier; 2nd by Edwards to receive and place on file all Departmental Reports as submitted.
CARRIED: ALL

Abstracts:

Motion for Resolution 20-71 made by Phelps; 2nd by Collier approving abstracts for payment as submitted.
CARRIED: ALL

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Beaver Valley Water District:

Supervisor Phelps – due to COVID-19 the first quarter water bills were exempt from any late fees or water shut-offs – if bills go unpaid will add to property taxes; flushed the system on the 10th – volunteers were Abby, Ayers and Partridge

Old Business:

- Mass gathering update – the Pine Valley Festival took place on the 8th without clearance from the County Health Department and without final permit from the Town Board; general discussion took place as to how to move forward – Attorney Mustico advised re-open Resolution 20-68 for the Town Board to act on it DENYING Mr. Chappius' Mass Public Gathering Permit Application

Motion made by Phelps; 2nd by Edwards to bring Resolution 20-68 back in front of the Town Board for action.

CARRIED: ALL

Motion for Resolution 20-72 made by Collier; 2nd by Edwards to DENY Paul Chappius' Mass Public Gathering Permit Application of Resolution 20-68 and to order Code Enforcer to issue Certificate of Violation to Mr. Chappius.

CARRIED: ALL

BM Silvernail suggests sending complaint to County Executive Christopher Moss and Chemung County Health Department

- Property Maintenance – no discussion
- Emergency Management Mitigation Plan – BM Silvernail concerned does not include forest fires; Supervisor Phelps stated we can adopt the 5 year plan as is and modify our Town's portion for forest fires once we get it written up the way we want it; BM Silvernail is in charge of getting a committee together to work on this

Motion for Resolution 20-73 made by Silvernail; 2nd by Collier granting permission to Supervisor Phelps to sign agreement of adoption of the Emergency Management Mitigation Plan with Chemung County.

CARRIED: ALL

New Business:

- Flag Lots – Planning Board Chairman, Jim Plate, spoke about what the current definition is - not clear enough for Code Enforcer; Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals; currently need 250 feet of road frontage – Supervisor Phelps questions is there interest in decreasing this to help increase town tax base; BM Edwards stated 'yes'; PBC Plate asked the audience – no one spoke; BM Edwards stated changing of zoning was done 1999 – time to look at the whole zoning instead of changing piece by piece; Supervisor Phelps state will look at the whole picture; PBC Plate suggest Town set aside \$\$\$ to do this and that it will take a few years to

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New Business Con't:

complete; Supervisor Phelps stated he has talked with the County and Southern tier experts about this – laws will be tailored to our Town

- Line Painting – there had been a budget cut back due to COVID-19 pandemic which included the \$18,500 previously budgeted for line painting on the roads for 2020 – the public and the Town Board strongly encourage line painting for safety reasons

Motion for Resolution 20-74 made by Collier; 2nd by Edwards to reinstate the \$18,500.00 for road line painting.

CARRIED: ALL

Hearing of the Public:

Opened 8:22pm

No one spoke

Closed 8:23pm

Resolutions:

Motion for Resolution 20-75 made by Collier; 2nd by Edwards to adopt Property Maintenance Local Law 3 of 2020.

CARRIED: ALL

Motion made by Collier; 2nd by Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 8:26pm.

CARRIED: ALL