

**TOWN OF CANTON REGULAR
BOARD MEETING**

6:00 PM

April 10, 2019

Minutes

Present: Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley, Deputy Supervisor Bob Washo, Council members James Smith and Phil LaMarche

Also in Attendance: Attorney Dan Ramsey, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Lisa Hammond, Economic Development Director Leigh Rodriguez, Code Enforcement Officer Jeff Murray, Historian Linda Casserly, Assessor Cindy Brand, Highway Superintendent Terry Billings, Recreation Director Jim Putman, Toby Irven, Sue Mende, County Legislator Kevin Acres, Mike & Amy McCormick

Telephoned in: Council member Tim Danehy

Absent: Attorney Dan Ramsey

A. Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley called the meeting to order

B. Public Comment:

Toby Irven of the Irish Settlement Rd presented the Town Board members with a petition signed by 30 residents requesting that the Irish Settlement Road be finished, approximately 6,000 ft. to be done.

Irven thanked the Town and Highway Department for past work that was done on the Road previously of the West end.

See accepted petition

C. County Legislature Representative(s) Updates(s):

County Legislature Kevin Acres was present and gave an update on recent activity at the County level. Questions and answers were exchanged.

D. Approval of Minutes:

Joint Town/Village Meeting Minutes March 11, 2019

Regular Meeting Minutes March 13, 2019

Special Meeting Minutes March 27, 2019

Motion was made by Council member Bob Washo to approve minutes, seconded by Council member Phil LaMarche. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

E. Supervisor Report:

Angela Gray of Gray and Gray read over the hand out that was provided. Questions and answers were received and fund balances were discussed. A brief discussion was held on the RBEG account.

Gray stated that the AUD was filed by the March 31, 2019 deadline.

Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley added that a foil request had been received from American Transparency asking for a list of all vendors, addresses, check numbers and totals from the Town of Canton for the year of 2018. Gray and Gray are working on getting this information.

F. Audit Committee:

A: \$84,174.01	TA: \$14,040.05
DA: \$15,223.76	B: \$2,653.81
SL: \$321.87	SM: \$1,388.05
DB: \$33,678.05	

Motion made by Council member Phil LaMarche to approve expenditures, seconded by Council member Bob Washo, all voted in favor. Motion carries.

G. Acceptance of Department Reports:

Historian Linda Casserly showed a display of post cards that were recently framed. Photos were developed by Dennis Barr

Economic Developer Leigh Rodriguez gave an update on the status of grants in progress and stated that she will be submitting her written report. Rodriguez will attend a Brownfield conference later this summer.

Assessor Cindy Brand announced that this years Grievance date is May 28, 2019 from 4-8 p.m.

Motion was made by Council member Bob Washo to accept Department reports as presented, seconded by Council member Phil LaMarche, all voted in favor. Motion carries.

H. Committee Reports:

Committee member Bob Washo reported that the Solar committee met and that Planning Board Chair Mike Morgan is going to present the draft to the Town Board on May 8, 2019.

Committee member Phil LaMarche stated that the Recreation committee met and held discussions on the NYMIR requests for upgrades and corrections. Employees are working on these matters of which were mostly at Taylor Park.

Committee member Bob Washo reported that the Highway, Trails and Complete Street members met and are working on a trail concept for Miner St Rd. An RFQ draft will be circulated in the next week.

Bob Washo reported that the sustainability committee is sponsoring a green living fair at SUNY Canton on April 20, 2019, hours are 10 am to 4 pm. Washo encouraged everyone to attend.

Bob Washo reported that the IT committee met and are working on computer and technology policies. Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley added that she is working on a computer inventory for the Town.

I. Old Business:

1. Rensselaer Falls Hold Harmless Agreement:

Council member Bob Washo made a motion to approve a Holding Harmless resolution for providing service for 2019 to the Village of Rensselaer Falls, seconded by Council member Phil LaMarche. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

See attached resolution

J. New Business:

1. Eddie Pyrites Road Complaint:

Mike McCormick of 437 Eddy Pyrites Rd was present and stated that there has been an on going issue with what property the Town of Canton owns and what part of his property he owns. McCormick stated that he is concerned over receiving a phone call at his place of employment from the Town Highway Superintendent asking about his ability of placing a culvert at 437 Eddy Pyrites Rd. McCormick stated that he was told by St. Lawrence County Real Property that the Town of Canton owns where he would like a culvert pipe replaced.

McCormick presented photos of pour drainage on the Eddy Pyrites Rd in front of his home and requested better drainage work be done. McCormick asked about work that was done in 2016 on a driveway that was built on the Eddy Pyrites Rd, adding that he had foiled the Town at that time asking about the cost of building said driveway.

Council member Bob Washo stated that the Highway committee met with Highway Superintendent Billings and it was agreed upon that they will work with McCormick to get the problem corrected. Washo added that in regards to this issue we'll follow current practice and work towards getting an official policy in writing and adopted. Current practice being the property owner purchase the pipe and the Town of Canton take care of installation. After discussion McCormick stated that he will let the Town of Canton know when

he buys the pipe adding that he is concerned about the quality of work and wants to be home when it done. Council member Jim Smith assured McCormick that the workmanship would be quality.

2. Consider Road Construction Projects:

Council member Jim Smith made a motion to approve to three road projects, seconded by Council member Bob Washo. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

See attached Project list

3. Pyrites Fire Department Dry Hydrant Concern:

A copy of a letter that was sent to St. Lawrence County Legislators was received from John Friot Jr and Matt Kielmeier about concerns over the Pyrites bridge being permanently closed. Friot would like to see the matter of repairing the bridge revisited over concerns of fires on the other side of the structure. Kielmeier would like the Town and County to consider letting the Pyrites Fire Department attach a dry-hydrant to the south side substructure of the closed bridge.

Legislature Kevin Acres added that he knows people are walking across the bridge even though it is posted "no pedestrians". Acres believes that the County will not allow hanging a hydrant, as it would be a huge liability. Acres added that this has been discussed at the County level and is not a consideration. Council member Phil LaMarche to do some homework on this matter.

4. Summary of Work-Related Injuries/Illnesses 2018:

Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley went over the handout and added that there were no injuries of the Towns 25 employees in 2018

5. Uniform Justice Court Annual 2018 Audit Resolution:

Council member Jim Smith made a motion to approve Justice Court Annual Audit Resolution, seconded by Council member Phil LaMarche. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

6. Town Clerk Office 2018 Audit:

Council member Bob Washo made a motion to approve audit conducted of Town Clerk/Tax Collectors records, seconded by Council member Jim Smith. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

7. Other Business:

Council member Jim Smith made a motion to Renew the NYMIR agreement with an increase of \$925.00, seconded by Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley stated that she, Canton Village Mayor Mike Dalton, Senator Patty Ritchie and Assemblyman Mark Walczyk met to talk about highway and municipal funding, as this is very much a concern.

K. Public Comment:

7:31 p.m. Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley made motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council member Phil LaMarche, all voted in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted





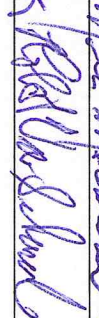



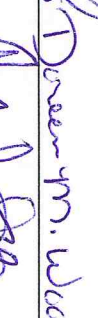
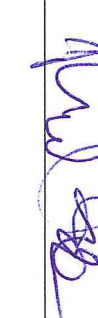
Lisa A. Hammond

Petition to Town of Canton

Rec'd from Toby Loren
 @ 4/10/19 Board Meeting
 Public Comment
 Jennifer Loren
 Supervisor

Petition summary and background	Following the recent project to rebuild the approx. 6000' of the Irish Settlement Road at the western end, the residents ask the following:
Action petitioned for	Complete the remaining approx. 6000' of repair and repaving of the Irish Settlement Rd. Include repairs to center-line deterioration at various locations.

Printed Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
M. Veigh Melman	M. Veigh Melman	328 Irish Settlement		4/8/19
Barb J. Davis	Barb Davis	30 Irish Settlement		4/8/19
James E. Davis	James E. Davis	3027 Irish Settlement Rd		4/8/19
Gerald R. Rhy	Gerald Rhy	243 Irish Settlement		4-8-19
Zoe Wright	Zoe Wright	243 Irish Settlement Rd		4-8-19
Roland Demond	Roland Demond	244 Irish Settlement Rd		4-8-19
Shirley M. Demond	Shirley M. Demond	244 Irish Settlement Rd		4-8-19
Andrew P. Baxter	Andrew P. Baxter	246 Irish Settlement Rd		4-8-19
Alyssa T. Baxter	Alyssa T. Baxter	246 Irish Settlement Rd		4-8-19
Kathryn Olt	Kathryn Olt	280 Irish Settlement Rd		4/8/19
SARA OLT	SARA OLT	286 Irish Settlement Rd		4/8/19
Lauren McKinley	Lauren McKinley	3580 Irish Settlement		4/8/19

Printed Name	Signature	Address	Comment	Date
SHIRLEY SIGISITT		414 IRISH SETTLEMENT RD	XXXX REAR EXCAVATION	4.8.19
Kristie Shirts-Quinn		440 Irish Settlement Rd		4/8/19
Michael Stach		336 Irish Settlement Road		4/9/19
Bob Mortimer		380 Irish Settlement Rd	This water and hard's are property values!	4/9/19
Robert Van Smaat		351 Irish Settlement Rd	sick of Boring up VAN	4/9.19
Beverly Walcott		338 Irish Settlement Rd.		4-9-19
Charlene Severino		739 Irish Settlement Rd		4-9-19
Johanna Lee		320 Irish Settlement Rd		4/9/19
Doreen M. Woods		206 Irish Settlement R		4/9/19
Rick Sigisitt		414 IRISH SETTLEMENT RD		4/9/19

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Toby IRVEN	<i>Toby Irvn</i>	Box 810		4-6-19
DEE MAYER	<i>Dee Mayer</i>	968		4/8/19
Ron Hiles	<i>Ron Hiles</i>	1119	MUCH NEEDED ROAD WORK	4-8-19
Bob Moyer	<i>Bob Moyer</i>	912	Good Job ON WEST MILE	4-9-19
Joy Moyer	<i>Joy Moyer</i>	912		4-9-19

RESOLUTION NO 5
DATED: April 10, 2019
TOWN OF CANTON
HOLDING HARMLESS THE VILLAGE OF RENSSELAER FALLS
FOR PROVIDING SERVICE FOR 2019

WHEREAS, the Town of Canton is desirous of providing shared services such as paving, signage, road stripping, snow removal, and other routine maintenance activities to the Village, and

WHEREAS, both the Town of Canton and Village of Rensselaer Falls are desirous of promoting partnering efforts for the safety of the traveling public in St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, in this joint cooperative endeavor the Town of Canton and Village of Rensselaer Falls desires to be reimbursed for their expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the Town is aware that the Village of Rensselaer Falls may incur liability in the providing of the services and wished to indemnify the Village of Rensselaer Falls in this regard,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Town of Canton will indemnify and hold harmless the Village of Rensselaer Falls, their officers, directors, partners, representatives, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, suits, liens, judgements, damages, losses and expenses, including legal fees and all court costs and liability (including statutory liability) arising in whole or in part and in any manner from injury and/or death of person or damage to or loss of any property relating to or arising out of any negligent or intentional acts and/or omissions of the Town of Canton or any of its directors, officers, employees, contractors, representatives, or agents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following request for General Liability (GL) coverage is as follows:

General Liability Insurance

On an "Occurrence" basis, with the following limits:

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence	\$3,000,000 General Aggregate
\$1,000,000 Products Aggregate	\$1,000,000 Personal Injury
\$ 50,000 Fire Damages Legal Liability	\$ 5,000 Medical Payments Expense

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village of Rensselaer Falls shall be an additional insured on the GL Policy, via ISO endorsement CG 2026.

4/10/19

Date

Town of Canton
By: *Supervisor*

TOWN OF CANTON

Highway Department

CANTON, NEW YORK 13617

To: Canton Town Board

From: Supt of Highways


Ref: 2019 Summer Construction Projects subject to Board
Approval....

Project #1 Judson Street Road, V/Limits north to NYS
Rte. 310. 1500' Length by 30' wide, Shim
and Top, Stripping to accommodate current
Walk-Jog-Bike Shared Highway Program
Total \$61,750.00

Project #2 Lincoln Road, from Int. Old DeKalb Road,
5100' by 20' wide Eastly, Grind & Bind
pending Top Coat Next Season. Connect to
last season construction. \$106,000.00

Project #3 Rice Road approximately 4000' by 20' wide,
Section Designated as to most need, Grind
& Bind, pending Top Coat next season.....
\$91,000.00

Sincerely Submitted;


Terry L. Billings
Supt of Highways
Town of Canton, NY

4-10-19