

**Present: Christopher C. Gerwitz, Supervisor**  
**Charles E. Davis, Councilman, Deputy Supervisor**  
**John A. Pfeffer, Councilman**  
**Beverly R. Hess, Councilwoman**  
**William J. Heim, Councilman**  
**Patricia R. Dashnaw, Town Clerk**  
**Tim Engels, Highway Superintendent**  
**Gary Perkins, Code Enforcement Officer**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with the pledge to the American Flag.

**RESOLUTION 45-2015**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Councilman Davis seconded by Councilman Pfeffer, the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    4            Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Heim  
                      Nays    0

Resolved the minutes of May 13<sup>th</sup> be approved as amended to include the following resolution omitted in error:

**RESOLUTION 46-2015**

**RATIFY RESOLUTION 24-2015 TO INCLUDE REASONABLE TIME TO COLLECT RFP**

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Davis the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    5            Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Hess, Heim  
                      Nays    0

Resolved the Resolution 24-2015 be ratified to collect the Request for Proposals to Operate the West Valley Water District Project until Friday, May 22, 2015 and be publicly opened at the Work Session on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Ashford Community Center at 7:45pm.

A meeting was held early this week with Engineers and Grant writers by Town of Ashford officials to get answers on what is expected regarding the acquisition of the water company.

**RESOLUTION 47-2015**

**CREATE A FORCE ACCOUNT FOR THE TOWN CLERK TO BILL TIME RELATED TO WORK PERFORMED ON THE WEST VALLEY WATER PROJECT**

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Heim the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    4            Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Heim  
                      Nays    0

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk of the Town of Ashford be authorized to provide services related to the on-going West Valley Water Project ("Water Project") beyond ordinary Town Clerk activities and duties.

WHEREAS, such activities include, but are not necessarily limited to paperwork and Administration activities related to the Water Project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, these responsibilities will require extra hours of time and based on the number of parcels that are included within the Water Project, the Town Board of the Town of Ashford will establish a \$2,500.00 semi-annual salary to pay for said services. The amount of \$2,500 will be part of the newly formed Water Projects expenditures.

**RESOLUTION 48-2015**

**CREATE A FORCE ACCOUNT FOR THE TOWN CLERK TO BILL EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL RELATED TO WORK PERFORMED ON THE WEST VALLEY WATER PROJECT**

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Davis the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    4            Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Heim  
                      Nays    0

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk of the Town of Ashford be authorized to provide services related to the on-going West Valley Water Project ("Water Project") beyond ordinary Town Clerk activities and duties.

WHEREAS, such activities include, but are not necessarily limited to paperwork, and Administration activities related to the Water Project.

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk of the Town of Ashford be authorized to expend funds as approved by the Town Board to purchase the required equipment and contractual materials necessary to manage the normal activities related to billing, collection, and general requirements that will be created by the newly formed West Valley Water Project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Clerk of the Town of Ashford be authorized to expend funds to purchase the said material necessary to conduct the requirements created by the newly formed West Valley Water Project. The expenditures will be part of the newly formed Water Projects expenditures.

The West Valley Volunteer Hose Company met with the engineers regarding the proposed water company in regards to fire hydrants and well locations.

**RESOLUTION 49-2015**

**AUTHORIZE SPECIAL MEETING**

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Heim the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    4            Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Heim  
                      Nays    0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board schedule a special meeting on June 30, 2015 at 7:30pm at the Ashford Community Center to address any immediate issues with the acquisition of the West Valley Crystal Water Company

**Councilwoman Hess arrived at 7:48pm.**

Supervisor Gerwitz opened the Public Hearing at 7:50pm for the Proposed Local Law Number 1-2015, entitled “providing for the written notification of defects and obstructions on town highways, bridges, streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and culverts in the Town of Ashford” and instructed the Town Clerk to read the notice as it appeared in the Springville Journal.

The Town Clerk was excused from reading the law in its entirety.

Supervisor Gerwitz asked for comments, questions, and concerns.

After discussion, Supervisor Gerwitz closed the public hearing on Proposed Local Law #1-2015 at 7:53pm.

**RESOLUTION 50-2015**

**ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #1-2015-- entitled “providing for the written notification of defects and obstructions on town highways, bridges, streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and culverts in the Town of Ashford”**

On motion of Councilman Davis seconded by Councilman Pfeffer the following resolution was

ADOPTED        Ayes     5            Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Hess, Heim  
                      Nays     0

WHEREAS, a proposed local law of the year 2015, providing for the written notification of defects and obstructions on town highways, bridges, streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and culverts in the Town of Ashford was introduced by Supervisor Gerwitz, and copies thereof were placed on the desks of the members of the Town Board on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and

WHEREAS, after due discussion, the Town Board set June 10, 2015 at 7:45pm as a time for a public hearing to be held on the said Local Law; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Public Hearing dated May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as published in the Journal, the Town’s official newspaper on May 23, 2015, which is more than five days prior to the date set for the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Public Hearing was held before the Town Board on June 10, 2015

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Ashford does hereby adopt Local Law #1-2015 entitled **“providing for the written notification of defects and obstructions on town highways, bridges, streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, and culverts in the Town of Ashford”**

The Depot Street Hazard Mitigation Storm Drain Project will be taking place this summer.

**Correspondence:**

1. **Justice Court Fund**-Ashford share of April, 2015 fines is \$10,935.25.
2. **Catt Co Treasurer**-Mortgage Tax apportionment for October 2015 is \$7,722.25.
3. **NYSTCA**-Clerk Dashnaw has been awarded the \$400 Scholarship to attend 2015 Cornell Clerks Municipal Clerks Institute in July
4. **NYS Department of Taxation and Finance**-Tentative Equalization Rate is 59.00
5. **Catt Co DPW**-letter was sent to NYSDOT for speed reduction study on Ahrens Road and Heinz Road

Route 219, Peters Road, Miller Road, and Edies Road still is unsafe and NYSDOT needs to address this dangerous area to ensure safety of motorists.

Comprehensive Plan Questionnaire is out and being circulated. Participation is encouraged.

Army Corps of Engineers need to evaluate the completed project at Fox Valley to approve.

The board reviewed the May reports for:

- Town Clerk
- Building Permits
- Constabulary
- Highway Fuel & Expense Reports

Highway Superintendent Engels had an estimate given to paint some equipment. Painting will extend the life of the equipment. Other options will be researched as the original estimates appears high. Shared Services should be considered in this process.

**RESOLUTION 51-2015**  
**BUDGET AMENDMENT**

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilwoman Hess the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    5              Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Hess, Heim  
                     Nays    0

Resolved the following budget amendment be approved for the General Account:

From **A1670.4** Printing and Mailing to **A1989** Other General Government Support in the amount of **\$98.51**.

**RESOLUTION 52-2015**  
**SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

On motion of Councilwoman Hess, seconded by Councilman Heim, the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    5              Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Hess, Heim  
                     Nays    0

Resolved the Supervisors Monthly financial report for May, 2015 is accepted as submitted.

**RESOLUTION 53-2015**  
**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

On a motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Davis, the following resolution was

ADOPTED      Ayes    5              Gerwitz, Davis, Pfeffer, Hess, Heim  
                     Nays    0

Resolved the bills contained Abstract #6 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund	No. 98 through 129	\$39,366.02
Highway Fund	No. 72 through 95	\$63,997.55
Light District	No. 6	\$826.58
Trust & Agency	No. 47 through 57	\$11,883.52

A motion was made by Davis seconded by Heim and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30pm.                      (All Aye)

Patricia R. Dashnaw—Town Clerk