

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

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

- Supervisor Gerwitz opened the Public Hearing at 7:30pm for the Proposed Local Law #1-2015, entitled Town of Ashford, West Valley Water District Rules and Regulations and instructed the Town Clerk to read the notice as it appeared in the Springfield Journal.
- The Town Clerk was excused from reading the law in its entirety.
- Supervisor Gerwitz asked for comments, questions, and concerns.
- There were several questions asked regarding specific wording pertaining to existing system vs. new system. There is verbiage for both systems in the policy. There is also discussion on billing for swimming pools.
- After discussion, Supervisor Gerwitz closed the public hearing on Proposed Local Law #1-2015 at 8:08pm.

RESOLUTION 79-2015

ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #1-2015 ENTITLED TOWN OF ASHFORD WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RULES AND REGULATIONS

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

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

WHEREAS, a proposed local law of the year 2015, Town of Ashford West Valley Water District Rules and Regulations was placed on the desks of the members of the Town Board on August 26th, 2015 and

WHEREAS, after due discussion, the Town Board set September 22, 2015 at 7:30pm as a time for a public hearing to be held on the said Local Law; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Public Hearing dated September 9, 2015 as published in the Journal, the Town's official newspaper on September 12, 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 September 22, 2015

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Ashford does hereby adopt Local Law #1-2015 entitled **Town of Ashford West Valley Water District Rules and Regulations**.

The property owner at the location of the water supply requests payment for the water from the West Valley Water District. Discussion took place regarding the amount requested versus the amount it would cost to litigate such a request. The water supply will only serve the existing system so it is advised to pay for the water while it is being used for this short term. The Town Board would like to see a contract reflecting the amount to be paid and the terms.

Town of Ashford is to start billing for 49% of the Third Quarter to the water customers. There are several questions regarding the information provided and used for billing purposes. The information from the Crystal Water Company is limited and the Map, Plan and Report is for the future water system. Clarification will be ongoing as this continues.

RESOLUTION 80-2015

ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENT

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

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

Resolved Bruce Crandall be appointed to a 5 year term of the Assessment Board of Review

Correspondence:

1. **Justice Court Fund**-The Town of Ashford share of August fines is \$12,512.75
2. **Clark Patterson Lee**-email regarding meetings with the West Valley Fire Department pertaining to well drilling.
3. **WVCS**-Sheltering agreement for use of the Highway Department in the case of an emergency
4. **Catt Co DPW**-letter was sent from the Town of Ashford requesting signage for increased Amish travel through the Town of Ashford
5. **Townline Road**-letter from residents requesting a speed reduction on Townline Road

RESOLUTION 81-2015

REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC STUDY

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

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

Resolved the Town Board requests for a traffic study to be completed on Town Line Road along the Town of Ellicottville border in the Town of Ashford to establish a lower maximum speed at which vehicles may proceed and that the Town Clerk complete and submit the Form TE 9a to the County Commissioner of Public Works

Budget Officer William King was present to answer any questions board members had regarding the 2015 Preliminary Budget. Board members are satisfied with the current Preliminary Budget presented.

A motion was made by Davis seconded by Pfeffer and carried that the meeting be adjourned to 9:00 pm. (All aye)