Present: Charles E. Davis, III, Supervisor

John A. Pfeffer, Deputy Supervisor, Councilman

Jean M. Bond, Councilwoman Richard A. Bernstein, Councilman

Patricia D. Dashman, Torre Clark

Patricia R. Dashnaw, Town Clerk

Tim Engels, Highway Superintendent

Absent: William J. Heim, Councilman

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

#### **RESOLUTION 15-2016**

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the minutes of February 10<sup>th</sup> be approved as submitted containing further verification listing Town of Ashford for the Tree Lighting instead of hamlet of West Valley.

Paul Bembia, NYSERDA, will address questions regarding results of soil sampling at the work session, May 24th.

Bryan Bower, DOE introduced Jeffrey D. Bradford, President and General Manager of CH2MHILL-BWXT West Valley, LLC to the Town Board Members. Jeffrey gave some updates:

- Relocation and storage of high-level waste canisters continues
- Plans are underway to ship and dispose Legacy Waste mostly by rail. When this transport takes place, communication is requested by Town Board members.
- Demolition and removal of the mail process plant and vitrification facility continues.
- Legislative support is important as current funds are significantly lower than anticipated resulting in decommissioning efforts to be taking longer than initially expected.

Cattaraugus County Department of Economic Development, Planning & Tourism held a meeting of the Route 219 Corridor Development Committee. Councilman Bernstein was able to attend the meeting and reported the next phase of construction is actually Section 12 which is Salamanca to the State Line. NYS has applied for Federal Funds and expects the construction of Section 12 to be \$200 million. Section 12 would have about a 1 mile stretch through Seneca Nation therefore consent from Seneca Nation is imperative to move forward with this project. There is no consent at the present moment. Councilman Bernstein also mentioned to the officials at the meeting, there is not proper signage at the Route 219, Peters Rd, and Miller Road intersections to insure safety of motorists.

Southern Tier West is hosting the annual Local Government Conference and Supervisor Davis is encouraging everyone to attend.

Ram Shrivastava, PE Larson Engineers sent contract to the Town of Ashford for the Solar PV Community Distributed Generation System. An initial deposit of \$2,500 will need to accompany the signed contract. The deposit would complete the search and evaluation of the project. Board members would like to see a formal request for 10 acres from NYSERDA for this project prior to proceeding with the contract. Councilman Bernstein has researched and located another company who also contracts for solar projects and would like to see a presentation by the company as well. The presentation is requested for the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **RESOLUTION 16-2016**

# AUTHORIZE LETTER TO NYSERDA FOR SOLAR FARM LAND

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Town Board of the Town of Ashford authorize letter to be sent to NYSERDA for 10 acres to be used for Solar PV Community Distributed Generation System.

At 8:00pm Supervisor Davis instructed the Town Clerk to read the notice to bidders for the Town wide Trash pickup. Clerk Dashnaw read the notice as it appeared in the Springville Journal. One bid submitted as follows:

Company Bid MRC Disposal, Inc. \$8,995.00

71 Nason Boulevard

Springville, NY 14141

# RESOLUTION 17-2016

# AWARD OF BID—TOWN TRASH PICK UP

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved MRC Disposal, Inc. be awarded the contract for 2016 Town Trash Pickup for \$8,995.00.

Steve Tanner, PE Clark Patterson Lee reported by email with updates regarding soil boring completions, water storage tank and well locations, and easements.

#### **RESOLUTION 18-2016**

# AUTHORIZE COLLECTION OF BIDS AND BID OPENING FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved water district distribution system bids be advertised and opened on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 2pm at the Town Clerk's office, 9377 Route 240, West Valley.

Dawn Martin, Assessor has been out of the office for medical reasons and many constituents are frustrated with meeting deadlines and no coverage in the office in her absence. She has been in contact with Supervisor Gerwitz and intends to be in the office late this week.

#### **RESOLUTION 19-2016**

## **CHANGE TOWN BOARD MEETING IN APRIL**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

**WHEREAS** the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Cattaraugus County Farmer Neighbor Dinner sponsored by several Cattaraugus County Organizations along with Southern Tier West will be held on 4/13/16 at the West Valley Fire Hall on Rte 240

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Town Board meeting scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 7:30pm be rescheduled to Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the regular time and location

#### **RESOLUTION 20-2016**

## **BUDGET AMENDMENT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the following Budget Amendment be approved for the General account:

From A1990.4 Contingent to A1110.2 Justice-Equipment in the amount of \$86.00.

Diana Speers, Capital Project Specialist for Municipal Solutions has presented an amendment to reduce Municipal Solutions services contracted directly to the Town and transfer said contracting to Clark Patterson Lee instead.

#### **RESOLUTION 21-2016**

#### **AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF SERVICES**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved to meet goals with EFC Municipal Solutions has transferred services in connection with the Town of Ashford West Valley Water District to Clark Patterson Lee in an amount not exceeding \$27,000.00.

#### **RESOLUTION 22-2016**

#### SUPPORT EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board support and encourage the effort of Robert A. Neumann in an Eagle Scout Project to enhance the Ashford community.

Clerk Dashnaw reported she has been asked by a resident to research the sale of transfer station tickets at the Community Center as a convenience to residents. After discussion with Catt Co DPW it has been determined there is no money up front by the municipality and the monies collected are included in the Town Clerk monthly report and proceeds paid to Cattaraugus County monthly with the Town of Ashford retaining 6% of proceeds.

#### **RESOLUTION 23-2016**

## **AUTHORIZE CONTRACT FOR SALE OF TRANSFER STATION TICKETS**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Town of Ashford enter into contract with Cattaraugus County to sell Transfer Station Tickets in the Town Clerk Office.

## **RESOLUTION 24-2016**

# **AUTHORIZE ONE TIME PRE AUDIT PAYMENT FOR PERMITTING FEES**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Supervisor be authorized to expend funds for pre audit for railroad permitting fees for the Town of Ashford West Valley Water District not to exceed the amount of \$4,000.00 in Abstract #4.

## **RESOLUTION 25-2016**

## SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Town of Ashford Planning Board set the Public Hearing for the Comprehensive Plan and further be it Resolved the Ashford Town Clerk advertise for said public hearing on request of the Planning Board Chairperson

#### **Committee Reports:**

- ➤ Insurance-Phil Moyer will be at April meeting
- ➤ Planning-Comprehensive Plan Survey results have been provided and public meeting will be held prior to the Town Board meeting April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. The Planning Board will present the data collected from the questionnaires. At this time, residents will have the opportunity to discuss with Planning Board members any additional issues before finalizing the Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Bond also reported she has not had the opportunity to meet with St. John's Parish Council regarding tree lighting.
- ➤ **Highway**-the committee makes a recommendation to make repairs to Town barn.
- Sidewalk-water lines will be under the sidewalks, therefore, when the water project is completed, sidewalks will be replaced and the cost will be covered under the water district capital project.
- > Animal Control and Constables-one resume has been collected for a Town Constable. Councilman Bernstein would like to explore shared services with the Town of Ellicottville.
- ➤ Youth & Senior Citizens-Councilwoman Bond has been in contact with Lisa Proctor, Youth Recreation Chairperson in regards to upcoming summer recreation. Councilwoman Bond has located some supplies previously stored by Youth Recreation and has made a recommendation to donate what is no longer needed. Board members need to know if said supplies are on Town of Ashford inventory. Councilman Bernstein has researched senior transportation. There are grants available for vehicles for this type of program.
- Telecommunications-Councilman Pfeffer is preparing the RFP for computer ad network maintenance and will present to board members when complete for review.
- ➤ Water District-meeting held on February 23 was very informative

The board reviewed the February reports for:

Town Clerk

Constabulary

Building Permits

#### **RESOLUTION 26-2016**

# <u>AUTHORIZE PURCHASE FOR A NEW AND UNUSED 66,000 GVW CABIN CHASSIS FOR A 10-WHEEL TRUCK</u>

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Town of Ashford purchase a new and unused 66,000 GVW Cabin Chassis for a 10-Wheel Truck from Fleet Maintenance on NYS Contract Group 40500 Award Number 22904 / PC67280SB dated February 8, 2016 for \$130,973.00.

#### **RESOLUTION 27-2016**

# SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the Supervisors Monthly financial report for February, 2016 is accepted as submitted.

## RESOLUTION 28-2016 AUDIT OF CLAIMS

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Davis, Pfeffer, Bernstein, Bond

Nays 0

Resolved the bills contained Abstract #3 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund	No. 48 through 69	\$28,612.88
Highway Fund	No. 24 through 37	\$21,756.38
Light District	No. 3	\$1,035.07
Trust & Agency	No. 11 through 21	\$12,446.62
Water District	No. 14,15,16,20	\$2,333.23
Water District Capital	No. 17 through 19	\$17,637.10

Town of Ashford Court will explore two bench sites within the Community Center to expedite the process for Thursday Court nights.

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

Patricia R. Dashnaw—Town Clerk