

**Present:** Charles E. Davis, III, Supervisor  
John A. Pfeffer, Deputy Supervisor, Councilman  
William J. Heim, Councilman  
Jean M. Bond, Councilwoman  
Richard A. Bernstein, Councilman  
Patricia R. Dashnaw, Town Clerk  
Tim Engels, Highway Superintendent  
Larry Feldman, Code Enforcement Officer

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

Supervisor Davis presented the 2016 Supervisors report. Supervisors Bookkeeper, Susan Feldman was present to answer any questions.

Town Clerk Dashnaw presented the Town Clerk books for 2016.

**RESOLUTION 12-2017**

**AUDIT OF TOWN OFFICIALS**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the records of the Town Clerk for 2016 having been duly examined and found all fees have been turned over to the proper officials; and the records of the Supervisor for 2016 having been duly examined with all monies disbursed properly. All said records and disbursements have been properly executed to the best of the boards' knowledge.

**RESOLUTION 13-2017**

**AUTHORIZE 2017 JUSTICE AUDIT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the Town Board authorize Berry & Berry, CPA, Franklinville, NY to conduct examinations of 2017 Justice Court not to exceed a total of \$1,000.00

**RESOLUTION 14-2017**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the minutes of January 11<sup>th</sup> be approved as amended in two places on page 2:

“Certification of work time .....**standard work day will be eight (8) hours for full time and 6 hours for part time.**”

“contract for lawn mowing..... **2017 Budget amount....**”

NYSERDA, West Valley Program Director, Paul Bembia reported possible reclassification for the West Valley radioactive waste from commercial to defense. DOE is receptive to opening up discussion of this matter with NYS. Reclassification would result in changes in disposal and financial burden.

**Correspondence:**

1. **Justice Court Fund**-December revenues are \$4,329.75.
2. **Peter Krog**-AOC PILOT received for \$4,561.87
3. **Catt Co Board of Elections**-request to use Ashford Community Center for 2017 elections.
4. **Senator Catharine M. Young**-verification of correspondence with NYSDOT regarding additional studies at Peters Road and Route 219 and installation of additional signage to alert motorists.
5. **Association of Towns**-letter confirming AOT opposition of parts of the proposed Executive Budget harmful to town government.
6. **Special Use Permit/Ashford Planning Board**-The Ashford Planning Board has reviewed the special use permit for an electric sign at the Offices of William J. Heim Construction and House of Steel and recommends approval.

**RESOLUTION 15-2017**

**APPROVAL OF ELECTION LOCATION**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board authorize to enter into contract with Cattaraugus County Board of Elections to continue using Ashford Community Center for 2017 elections.

**RESOLUTION 16-2017**

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved special use permit for the electronic sign at the Offices of William J. Heim Construction and House of Steel at 10208 Edies Road be approved.

Cattaraugus County is researching funding for hiking/biking trails throughout the County. There is also a matching grant for local municipalities for beautification.

**RESOLUTION 17-2017**

**AUTHORIZE SIDEWALK EXTENTION RESEARCH**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board authorize the Highway Superintendent to research costs for extending the sidewalks in the Hamlet of West Valley.

**RESOLUTION 18-2017**

**APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF NEW OR USED BACK HOE**

On a motion from Councilman Pfeffer, seconded by Councilman Heim, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board approve the specifications of a new or used back hoe and further

Resolved the Town Clerk advertise for bids in the official paper Springville Journal opening bids at Ashford Board Meeting March 8<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

Highway Superintendent Engels reported the pickup and plow have been delivered and appear to be in great working order. He is researching a skid steer for sidewalk snow removal.

Standard Operating Guidelines are being reviewed for constables.

Youth Recreation Committee continues meetings for plans for summer recreation. AYI will have some changes to league play to be in Cattaraugus County for baseball and softball.

Telephone system at the Ashford Community Center is being replaced. Four quotes were submitted and Frontier provided the lowest quote and met the requirements. Installation will occur as soon as information is gathered and equipment is ready.

Clark Patterson Lee provided Supervisor Davis with a Project Task List.

Ehmke Well Drilling sent proposal for the Convert of 6” Monitoring Well into a Production Well at the West Valley Fire Hall. Included in the proposal is a 72 hour pump test, which has already been completed.

**RESOLUTION 19-2017**

**APPROVAL OF WEST VALLEY FIRE HALL WELL UPDATES WITH REVISION**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board authorize Ehmke Well Drillers, Inc. to convert the 6” Monitoring Well into a Production well without completing the 72 hour pump test.

**RESOLUTION 20-2017**

**AUTHORIZE TRASH REMOVAL ADVERTISEMENT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved Town Clerk advertise for Spring trash pickup to be completed in the same manner as last year for review at the Regular Town Board Meeting March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 8:15pm.

**RESOLUTION 21-2017**

**CHANGE TOWN BOARD MEETING IN APRIL**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

**WHEREAS** the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Cattaraugus County Farmer Neighbor Dinner sponsored by several Cattaraugus County Organizations along with Southern Tier West will be held on 4/12/17 at the West Valley Fire Hall on Rte 240

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Town Board meeting scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 7:30pm be rescheduled to Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the regular time and location

The board reviewed the January reports for:

- Town Clerk
- Building Permits
- Animal Control (Sept-Dec)
- Highway Fuel & Expense Reports

**RESOLUTION 22-2017**

**SUPERVISOR’S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
Nays 0

Resolved the Supervisors Monthly financial report for January, 2017 is accepted as submitted.

**RESOLUTION 23-2017**

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

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

ADOPTED      Ayes    5            Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
                     Nays    0

Resolved the bills contained Abstract #2 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund	No. 19 through 50	\$55,405.78
Highway Fund	No. 13 through 66	\$157,672.17
Light District	No. 2	\$1,164.99
Trust & Agency	No. 1 through 10	\$11,969.11
Water District	No. 12 through 20, 23	\$6,131.71
Water District Capital	No. 21 through 22	\$1,220.00

Councilman Heim confirmed the Highway barn project will be starting soon.

**RESOLUTION 24-2017**

**REQUEST CATTARAUGUS COUNTY DPW TO ENGINEER PROJECT**

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

ADOPTED      Ayes    5            Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond  
                     Nays    0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board request Cattaraugus County Department of Public Works Engineer a project at Peters Road and Edies Road in front of Ms. Vacinek's home to rectify problems as a result of previous road construction.

A motion was made by Pfeffer seconded by Heim and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35pm.      (All aye)

Patricia R. Dashnaw—Town Clerk