

**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

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

**RESOLUTION 77-2017**

**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 July 12<sup>th</sup> be approved as submitted

Paul Bembia, NYSEDA Director WVDP reported continued work to enter into agreement with the Town of Ashford for the proposed solar facility on the property of the Western New York Nuclear Service Center. Research is currently taking place for appraisal on the value of the property. Approval still needs to be obtained from the NYSEDA Board and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to move forward with the proposed project.

Scott Anderson, Deputy General Manager CH2M HILL BWXT West Valley, LLC gave a presentation of the Vitrification Facility Demolition. The safety standards set for the project are more restrictive than regulation to ensure a safe and environmentally protective facility demolition. Constant monitoring will occur during demolition to ensure public and environment protection. No explosives will be used for this process. Debris will be removed by truck or truck to rail shipment for disposal at a federal waste facility. This process is an 8-month schedule weather permitting.

Supervisor Davis provided a draft of the National Cleanup Workshop he and Councilman Pfeffer will be attending in September.

Justice Court Fund income for June, 2017 is \$5,757.25.

Master Plan has been drafted and given to Board members for review. After board comments, a public comment meeting will be held.

Attorneys are working on a settlement agreement regarding the Fox Valley Project repair.

Constables need to attend training on approval of the peace officer course.

Summer recreation was a success this year with some of the programs being blueberry picking, falcons presentation, picnic, Zumba, swimming. There were up to 35 participants. Town of Ashford has been approved for the meal program next year and for a \$4,000 grant for this year.

**RESOLUTION 78-2017**

**AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING LOCAL LAW #2-2017: TOWN OF ASHFORD, WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RULES & REGULATIONS**

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

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

Resolved the Town Clerk advertise in the Springville Journal and Springville Pennysaver to schedule a public hearing on September 19, 2017 at 8:00pm at the regular scheduled meeting at the Ashford Community Center, 9377 Route 240, West Valley, NY for Local Law #2-2017 *Town of Ashford West Valley Water District Rules & Regulations*.

The Town of Ashford has been approved for the \$50,000 Clean Energy Program through NYSEDA. Solar panels for the Highway Town Barn are being researched.

Supervisor Davis has been in contact with Dawn Martin, Assessor and Dan Martonis, Catt Co Director of Real Property Services regarding a revaluation in the Town of Ashford. The revaluation would be on a 3-yr completion plan and would be the undertaking of the Assessor, good data collection, and a company to run the trending numbers. This process would be less expensive than paying an outside company to complete a revaluation.

**RESOLUTION 79-2017**

**APPROVAL OF 2018 BUDGET SCHEDULE**

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

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

Resolved the following budget schedule be approved:

August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Distribute 2018 Estimates of Expenditure forms to Board Members and Departments
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Estimates of Expenditures due to Budget Officer
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Review tentative budget, accept as preliminary budget, set public hearing, discuss budget
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	Present copies of Preliminary budget to be available for public.
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	Public hearing on preliminary budget and vote to adopt 2018 budget

**RESOLUTION 80-2017**

**AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR SOLAR ENERGY DEVELOPMENT**

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

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

Resolved the Town Board authorize Supervisor Davis to enter into Memorandum of Understanding with BQ Energy, LLC upon review of the Town of Ashford's special counsel with regard to the possible installation of a solar energy facility to be located at the West Valley Demonstration Project Site in West Valley, NY.

**RESOLUTION 81-2017**

**AUTHORIZE CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS**

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

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

WHEREAS, the State Comptrollers Office states in General Municipal Law Sections 5-b the responsibility of the Town Clerk is stated in Local Law, Ordinance or Resolution to accept payments for a specific purpose (i.e. real property taxes, licenses, permits, etc.); and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has requested the Town of Ashford enter into an agreement with SatelliteBiz.com for implementation of a credit/debit card/echeck payment service for constituents; and

WHEREAS, with this service, constituents will be able to make payments at the Town Clerk Office and on line through ashfordny.org using credit/debit card or echeck at no cost to the Town of Ashford

WHEREAS, approval of this service will provide constituents with another payment method; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to negotiate and enter into agreement with SatelliteBiz.com for the purposes of allowing constituents to make payment to the Town of Ashford using credit/debit card and echeck; and further

RESOLVED, the service will be made available for all transactions of the Town Clerk Office and administered by the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk(s)

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Town Clerk, Registrar, and Tax Collector is authorized to accept credit/debit card and echeck transactions in the office of the Town Clerk and online using the Town of Ashford website. The Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk(s) will be the sole authorized individuals to accept such payments for said transactions at no cost to the Town of Ashford.

**RESOLUTION 82-2017**

**SUPPORT PROCLAMATION OF SENECA NATION REGARDING WVDP CLEANUP**

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

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

WHEREAS the Seneca Nation has recently stated through a proclamation of their tribal council that all wastes stored, buried, or disposed of at the Western New York Nuclear Service Center be exhumed and removed from West Valley, and

WHEREAS The Town Board of the Town of Ashford concurs that long term continued storage of buried nuclear wastes at the Western New York Nuclear Service Center is not appropriate for West Valley and the future of the environment. Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Ashford supports the Seneca Nation and their tribal council proclamation.

The board reviewed the July reports for:

- Town Clerk
- Code Enforcement Officer
- Animal Control
- Highway Fuel & Expense

**RESOLUTION 83-2017**

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF SIDEWALK TRACTOR**

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

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

Resolved Town Board authorize the purchase of a sidewalk tractor not to exceed the amount stated in the Town of Ashford Procurement Policy.

**RESOLUTION 84-2017**

**APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY FUEL AND EXPENSE REPORTS**

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 highway fuel and expense reports be approved as submitted

**RESOLUTION 85-2017**

**SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

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

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

**RESOLUTION 86-2017**

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

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

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

Resolved the bills contained Abstract #8 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund	No. 209 through 231	\$32,375.23
Highway Fund	No. 110 through 127	\$93,671.22
Light District	No. 8	\$812.82
Trust & Agency	No. 64 through 73	\$13,217.88
Water District	No. 74 through 76	\$2,619.95
Water Capital	No. 77 through 78	\$1,753.00

A motion was made by Bernstein seconded by Pfeffer and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 8:53pm. (All aye)

Patricia R. Dashnaw—Town Clerk