

Town of Corning
Regular Board Meeting
September 18, 2018
7:00PM

Supervisor Feehan called the meeting to order.

Roll call of members present:

Present
Supervisor Kimm Feehan
Councilman Stuart Sammis
Councilman Mike Brenning

Absent
Councilwoman Jennifer Mullen
Councilman Dave Shafer

Others Present:

South Corning Mayor Jim Thomas
Planning Board Chair Wayne Bennett

East Corning Residents: Mr. Huff, the Rutans, the Muccigrossos and the MacDonalds – all concerned about the recent flooding.

Various other members of the community.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

August Town Clerk's Report

On a motion made by Councilman Sammis the Town Clerk's Report for August was approved. Councilman Brenning seconded. All were in favor, the motion was carried.

Minute Approval

The meeting minutes from August 14th and 21st were approved on a motion made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. Motion carried.

August Abstract Approval

Councilman Sammis made a motion to approve the Abstract for August. Councilman Brenning seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Chemung Feeder Canal

The motion approving the District Streambank Stabilization program estimate regarding the Chemung feeder canal was made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. The motion was then carried. This is a short-term corrective action with the Town supplying the trucks for hauling the backfill, the fuel, and the backfill material. The cost shall not exceed \$3,725.00, which is 25% of the total cost of the project. The County will cover the remainder of the cost. The work is expected to begin when the ground is firm enough to hold the heavy equipment that will be needed to work in that area. LaBella Engineering is working on a long-term solution which includes detention ponds at both ends of the canal.

Budget Workshop

The Budget workshop date was set on a motion made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All were in favor of the October 2nd, 6:30 Pm date. The motion was carried. Due to the absence of two of the board members this date and time is subject to change.

Local Law#1 of 2018

Councilman Sammis made a motion setting a Public Hearing for Local Law #1 of 2018 regarding the Override Law for Budget Year 2019. Councilman Brenning seconded. All in favor, the motion was carried.

Local Law #2 of 2018

On a motion made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilman Brenning the discussion regarding the Town of Corning Ethics Law was approved. All in favor. Motion carried. Councilman Brenning believes the law should state that an employee or councilperson should be included as a member of the Board of Ethics. For that reason, Councilman Brenning made a motion to table this agenda item until after the October board meeting for this stipulation to be added and for the Public Hearing to be set. Councilman Sammis seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

E-Code Discussion

Councilman Sammis made the motion to review and to discuss the E-Code packet. Councilman Brenning seconded, all were in favor to discuss. Motion carried. Supervisor Feehan explained her concern that the Laws would not be updated as she originally believed. She suggests that if they will not be updated, then the contract with them should be rescinded. A secondary motion was made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis to table this agenda item until more information could be gathered. All in favor, motion carried.

Village Water Meeting Discussion

The motion to discuss the meeting held with the Village of South Corning and the Town Engineer along with Councilman Brenning and Councilwoman Mullen was made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilman Brenning. All in favor to discuss. Motion carried. Councilman Brenning stated that the meetings have been informative and that both the Town and Village are hoping for a positive outcome.

Record Retention Discussion

Councilman Sammis made the motion to discuss the record retention issue that was tabled last month. Councilman Brenning seconded. All were in favor to discuss. Motion carried. A new position duty statement has not been approved for the clerk position. The motion was tabled until next month's meeting.

Local Law #4 of 2018

The motion to discuss the amended zoning law and sub-division law was made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried. Supervisor Feehan explained the red line version has been out since last October and the Board needs to proceed as it is inhibiting the Planning Board from making some very important determinations. Code Enforcer Chuck Coons has put a lot of time and effort into correcting some of the inconsistencies and added missing items. There is an upcoming

Planning Board meeting and Supervisor Feehan asked that if time allows, they look over the new additions and get back to Mr. Coons about any improvements they feel need to be made.

The next agenda item was merely a discussion regarding the Planning Board's decisions concerning the number of members they wish to have on each of the boards (Planning & Zoning) and, their recommendations for the meeting procedures policy.

Board Vetting

Councilman Sammis made a motion to approve sending those interested in serving on either the Planning or Zoning Board to be vetted by those Boards, per Mike Donnelly's request. Councilman Brenning seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report

On a motion made by Councilman Brenning, the Supervisor's report for August was approved. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Budget Transfers

Councilman Sammis made the motion to approve the following transfers to the 2018 budget. Councilman Brenning seconded and all were in favor. The motion was carried.

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
A1990.4	A1355.4	\$500.00
A1990.4	A1420.4	\$7,000.00
DB5112.21	DB5112.2	\$28,823.00
SW38310.4	SW38330.4	\$1,000.00
SW59730.6	SW59901.9	\$6,191.00
SW89030.8	SW*8389.4	\$3,000.00

Modify Budget

Councilman Sammis made the motion to approve a Resolution to modify the 2018 budget in A Fund. WHEREAS, the Town of Corning entered into an Inter Municipal Agreement to provide assessing services for the Town of Catlin in the amount of \$1,160.00 per month for the last six months of 2018. BE IT RESOLVED, the Supervisor is hereby authorized to modify the 2018 Budget in the following manner.

A-510 Revenues	
Sub Account A2210 Int. Rev-Catlin	\$6,960.00
A-960 Appropriations	
Sub Account A1355.10 Assessor, Personal Services	\$4,927.00
Sub Account A9010.8 Employee Ben. Retirement	\$985.00
Sub Account A9030.8 Employee Ben. FICA/Medicare	\$377.00
Sub Account A9060.8 Employee Ben. Med. Insurance	\$671.00

Redact Appointment

The motion to redact the appointment of Mr. Castellana from the Planning Board was made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried.

Building & grounds Report

On a motion made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis the August Building & Grounds report was approved. All in favor, motion carried.

Highway Report

Councilman Sammis made a motion to approve the August Highway report. Councilman Brenning seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Permit Report

The motion to approve the August Building Permits Report was made by Councilman Brenning and then seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried.

Violation Report for August

The Violation report was approved on a motion made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilman Brenning. All in favor. Carried.

Lott Comment

Councilman Brenning made a motion to hear comment from Ms. Lott. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor to hear what she had to say. Motion carried. Ms Lott asked if Supervisor Feehan was planning to resign, and who would step in if she did. Supervisor Feehan assured her she has no intention of resigning at this time and Mr. Brenning would step in.

Village/Town Fire Meeting

On a motion made by Councilman Brenning, the setting of a meeting with the Village and the Town to discuss the formation of a joint Fire District was approved. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor. Mayor Thomas will contact Supervisor Feehan to set a date.

Vistors Comments

Jerry MacDonald of East Corning told the Board how pleased he was with the Town Highway Department during the recent flooding.

Don Huff stated he was frustrated with not being able to find answers to his questions about who is responsible for the canal in East Corning. He wanted to know who should be maintaining it and how often the culvert is checked. Supervisor Feehan explained that the canal was long ago abandoned. She also stated that in 1998 the Board was asked to do something about the canal and the Board, then, chose not to. That area is prone to flooding and houses should have never been allowed to be built there. She then directed Mr. Huff to contact the Highway Superintendent with further questions about how often the culvert under the bridge is checked.

Ms. Lott asked who updates the Local Laws. Supervisor Feehan explained they are done at the local level.

Adjourn:

Councilman Sammis made the motion to adjourn at 8:05PM. Councilman Brenning seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

These minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan A. Edwards
Town Clerk