

Town of Corning
Regular Board Meeting
June 18,2019
7:00PM

Supervisor Feehan called the meeting to order.

Roll call of those present:

Councilman Dave Shafer
Councilwoman Jen Mullen
Councilman Stuart Sammis
Supervisor Kim Feehan

Absent:

Councilman Mike Brenning

Others Present:

County Legislator Carol Ferratella, Water Superintendent Ken Fields, Highway Superintendent Dylan DeWert, Fire Commissioner John Clarkson, Justice Dale Leonard, Justice Glen Rose, and various other members of the community.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Mike Donnelly Resignation

The motion to approve the resignation of Mr. Donnelly and to announce an opening on the ZBA was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried. Supervisor Feehan wished to express her thanks for his many years of exceptional service.

ZBA Chair appointment

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve appointing John McMahon as the ZBA Chair for the remainder of Mr. Donnelly's term. Councilman Shafer seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Town Clerk's Report

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis the May 2019 Town Clerk's report was approved. All in favor, carried.

Minute Approval

The May 22, 2019 meeting minutes were approved on a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Shafer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Abstract Approval

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion approving Abstract 6 of 2019. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor, the motion carried.

Supervisor's Report

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Shafer the April 2019 Supervisor's report was approved. Councilman Shafer seconded. All in favor, the motion carried.

Code/Permit Report

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the Code and Permit Reports for May. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, carried.

Building & Grounds Report

The B & G report was approved on a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Shafer. All in favor, the motion carried.

Highway Report

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Shafer, the Highway report for May was approved. All in favor, carried.

Goff Rd Paving

The motion approving increasing the amount for Goff Road paving from \$110,000.00 to \$150,000.00 was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. Motion carried. Highway Superintendent DeWert hopes to pave it within the next few weeks. Due to shortage of crew and rain delays this time may vary.

Additional Court Help

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the discussion regarding adding a Clerk to the court staff. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor, the motion carried. Justice Leonard stated he was opposed to Clerk Haynes being put under the Town Board's supervision as he is concerned that the Board could terminate her employment at any time. Her knowledge is invaluable. Since Anne is unavailable to work more hours there are times the Court is un-manned. The Court is the third largest in the County and it doesn't take long for them to get behind in paperwork. Supervisor Feehan explained that a part time clerk could be hired if the judges get together to create a duty statement which will be sent to the County for their final approval. She also reminded them that when they are filling out their budgets this fall to include more for payroll for the new clerk. Judge Rose suggested the Board look to the Villages for compensation as they send many code enforcement cases, criminal cases, traffic cases, etc. to the court. Councilwoman Mullen made a subsequent motion authorizing the judges to create a duty statement for a part time clerk. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Temporary Laborer for Highway

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis it was approved to hire a temporary person for the highway. All in favor. The motion carried.

Cleargov

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to discuss Cleargov. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. Data is collected on Open Book New York and Cleargov only changes the appearance, The Board decided to not participate. Councilwoman Mullen will add a hyperlink to the website so users can access Open Book New York easily.

Visitor's Comments

Jamie Cooney asked if and how much was approved for the paving of Powder House Road. Superintendent DeWert explained it had already been approved at a prior meeting and the cost was around \$199,000.00.

Adjourn

Hearing no more comments, Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to adjourn at 7:25PM. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

These minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Edwards
Town Clerk