

Town of Corning Regular Meeting  
October 20, 2020 7:00 PM  
20 S. Maple St. Corning, NY 14830

Supervisor Feehan called the meeting to order.

Roll call of members present:

Supervisor Kim Feehan  
Councilman Mike Brenning  
Councilman Stuart Sammis  
Councilwoman Jenn Mullen  
Councilman Mike Morrongiello

Others present:

Water Superintendent Ken Fields, Highway Superintendent Dylan DeWert, Code Enforcer Chuck Coons, County Legislator Carol Ferratella, Ethics Board Member Lon Fiscus, Zoning Board Member Brad Boersen, Village Mayor Jim Thomas, Village Trustee Teri Radke, Village Trustee Jamie Cooney, various other members of the community.

The Pledge of allegiance was offered.

**SOLAR SPEAKER**

The Motion to table agenda item number 4 was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried.

**OCTOBER ABSTRACT**

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen, the October abstract was approved. Councilman Morrongiello seconded, all were in favor, and the motion was carried.

General Fund	\$33,791.59
General Outside Village	\$705.04
Highway Outside Village	\$75,701.43
Gibson Light	\$570.65
Elmhurst Light	\$214.29
Corning Manor Light	\$135.70
Birch Dr. Light	\$157.99
Pinewood water	\$35,821.20
Hornby Rd. Water	\$926.68
E.C. Consolidated Water	\$3,320.66
Trust & Agency	\$157.99
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$151,345.23</b>

### **MINUTE APPROVAL**

The meeting minutes for August 18<sup>th</sup>, September 15<sup>th</sup> and October 6<sup>th</sup> were approved on a motion made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilman Brenning. All in favor. Carried.

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the Supervisor's report for September. Councilman Sammis seconded, all were in favor. The motion was carried.

### **TOWN CLERK REPORT**

The motion to approve the September Town Clerk's report was made by Councilman Brenning and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried.

### **SALT SPREADER QUOTE**

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Morrongiello the motion to discuss the quote for a salt spreader for the Building and Grounds department was approved. All were in favor to discuss. Carried. On a secondary motion made by Councilman Sammis and seconded by Councilwoman Mullen the motion was approved not to exceed \$1,800.00 on a quote from Northern Tool for \$1,799.99. Other quotes were received: Grainger - \$ 2,073.34 and Payne's Trailer Sales - \$2,600.00. All in favor and the motion carried.

### **BUILDNG & GROUNDS REPORT**

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen the September Building and Grounds report was approved. Councilman Brenning seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **HIGHWAY HIRE**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to discuss the employee search with Highway Superintendent DeWert. Councilman Sammis seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. Mr. DeWert has interviewed and chosen William Walter. He is DOT qualified and has experience with heavy equipment. Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to approve the probationary period and union wage. Councilman Morrongiello seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

A secondary motion was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis to approve the quote from Clifton Recycling for grinding at the same cost as last year. The total cost will be split with the Village of South Corning. All in favor. Carried.

### **HIGHWAY REPORT**

The motion to approve the September Highway Report was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor, motion carried.

### **CORRECTIVE ACTION**

The motion to approve the letter to OSC for corrective action regarding the audit was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. Motion carried. Councilwoman Mullen stated that she wished stronger language could have been used in the response letter.

### **LOTT/BLY BARRIER**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to discuss the buffer barrier situation on River Road between the Lott and the Bly properties. Councilman Morrongiello seconded. All in favor to discuss. Motion carried. Code Enforcer Coons penned a letter to Mr. Bly informing him of the current violations and suggested he attend the next Planning Board meeting. The Board thanked Mr. Coons for his attention to this matter and for his service to the Town of Corning and wished him well in his retirement.

### **COURT CLERK**

On a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Brenning the hiring of a full time Court Clerk was approved. All in favor, motion carried.

### **WATER RELEVY**

The motion approving the relevying of unpaid water bills on the Town taxes was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. Carried. Exact amount to be determined after November 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **ZONING MEETING SET**

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to set the next meeting to review the Zoning Law for the 29<sup>th</sup> of October at 7:00 PM. Councilman Sammis seconded. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

### **BUDGET MEETING SET**

A meeting to discuss the 2021 budget was set for November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm on a motion made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor and the motion carried.

### **VISITOR'S COMMENTS**

There will be drive-by Trick or Treating at all three Town of Corning Fire Stations from 6-8 pm on Halloween night.

Mr. Boersen asked about the status of the Water contract with the Village of South Corning. Since it was received at the meeting tonight it will go to the attorney for review and then can be discussed further.

Mayor Thomas wished to inform the Board that time is of the essence regarding the approval of the water contract with the Village.

Carol Ferratella explained that the County Nurses are working over-time due to all the Covid-19 issues.

Jamie Cooney asked that the voting locations be added to the Town's webpage.

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to leave regular session and enter into an executive session to discuss the South Corning Water contract at 7:30 pm. Councilman Brenning seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The motion to enter into executive session was made by Councilman Morrongiello and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. Carried.

Councilwoman Mullen made the motion to leave executive session with Councilman Brenning seconding. All in favor. Motion carried.

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm was made by Councilwoman Mullen and seconded by Councilman Sammis. All in favor. The motion carried.

These minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Edwards  
Town Clerk