

TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 12, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Spafford assembled at the Spafford Town Hall, 1984 Route 174, Skaneateles, New York.

PRESENT: Supervisor Christopher Kozub, Councilor Christine Fesko, Councilor Dave Venezia, Councilor Luke DeWitt, and Councilor Cherry Randall.

ALSO PRESENT: Highway Superintendent Eric Fordock, Town Clerk Lisa Valletta, Code Officer Howard Tanner, Accountant Thomas Chartrand and Town Attorney James Gascon.

Supervisor Kozub called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

A motion to accept the minutes of the April 14, 2016 Town Board meetings as submitted was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Venezia. The motion PASSED: AYES- 5, NAYS- 0.

RESOLUTION 65-2016

Abstract #5 – General & Highway Funds

On a motion by Councilor DeWitt, seconded by Councilor Randall the following resolution was PASSED. AYES – 5 Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, DeWitt, Randall
NAYS – 0

General Fund Abstract #5 and Highway Fund Abstract #5 are approved. (Audited abstract totals will be reflected in the May 2016 Town Board meeting minutes.)

ABSTRACT #4 – APRIL 14, 2016

Audited bills for Abstract #4 were as follows:

General Fund	vouchers 108 – 140	\$ 13,016.51
Highway Fund	vouchers 34 – 46	\$ 7,983.26

TOWN SUPERVISOR’S REPORT & STATEMENT

The Town Supervisor’s Report & Statement for April 2016 was read by Accountant Thomas Chartrand and filed. A motion to accept the Town Supervisor’s Report for April 2016 was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Venezia. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

RESOLUTION 66 – 2016

April 2016 Bank Reconciliation

On a motion by Councilor Venezia, seconded by Councilor DeWitt the following resolution was PASSED. AYES – 5 Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, DeWitt, Randall
NAYS – 0

Resolved to find a positive audit of the April 2016 bank statement as presented before the Town Board.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Supt Fordock requested authorization to sell the International 6x6 10 wheel dump truck should the reserve price be met (or exceeded) at auction.

- Road sweeping is done.
- The crew will work on hot-patch projects then move on to oil/stone work.
- Town of Spafford has performed shared service work with neighboring towns. The Town Board requested a report on the shared service work for the next meeting.

RESOLUTION 67 – 2016

2000 International 6x6 10 Wheel Dump Truck

On a motion by Councilor Randall, seconded by Councilor Venezia the following resolution was PASSED. AYES – 5 Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, DeWitt, Randall
NAYS – 0

Resolved Hwy Supt Fordock is authorized to sell the 2000 International 6x6 10 wheel dump truck at auction if the reserve price of \$30,000 is met or exceeded.

RESOLUTION 68 – 2016

Cornell Local Roads Program Highway School

On a motion by Councilor Venezia, seconded by Councilor Randall the following resolution was PASSED. AYES – 5 Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, DeWitt, Randall
NAYS – 0

Resolved Hwy Supt Fordock is authorized to attend the 2016 Cornell Local Roads Program Highway School in June.

TOWN CLERK’S REPORT

A motion to accept the Town Clerk’s Cash Report for April 2016 was made by Councilor DeWitt, seconded by Councilor Randall. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

CODE OFFICER’S REPORT

Mr. Tanner’s reported on the following activity for April/May 2016:

- Permits Issued
 - 1781 Shady Bend Lane – addition...*pending*
 - 2122 East Lake Road – new residence/shed
 - 2590 Nunnery Road – repair fire damage
 - 2322 Olanco Road – garage
 - 2520 State Route 174 – kitchen/bath/deck
 - 2047 Pine Bluff Road – bathroom
 - 1930 Willowdale Road – porch/wheelchair ramp
 - 2287 Bockes Road – deck
 - 1162 Woodworth Road – shed
 - 3197 Becker Road – shed/repair deck
 - 1651 Neoga Cliffs Road – pole barn...*pending*
 - Lourdes Camp – bathroom addition
 - 1400 Richard Road – shed
 - 1689 Willowdale Road – above ground pool
 - 2794 Nunnery Road – deck
 - 2080 East Lake Road – pole barn...*pending*
 - 3290 Becker Road – repair deck
 - 1899 East Lake Road – Special Permit for restaurant/café...*pending*
 - 1825 East Lake Road – Special Permit for commercial solar panels...*pending*
- Other Items
 - Received quotes for the demolition and clean-up of the property on Willowdale Road identified with tax ID#023-03-05, (Limestone Ridge, LLC property).
 - Requesting the Town Board consider adoption of the new Flood Plain Map Regulations.

WILLOWDALE ROAD PROPERTY, TAX ID#023-03-05

Town Board Resolution 47-2016 on March 10, 2016 authorized demolition and clean-up of the property on Willowdale Road in the Town of Spafford identified with tax ID#023-03-05. Sixty days from the Resolution have elapsed with no action by the owner to clean the property. Mr. Tanner sought five quotes for the demolition and clean-up of the property. Two were received, both included certificates of insurance.

R.J. Frost Company, LLC.....\$7,900.00
Lake Country Construction & Contour, LLC.....\$12,100.00

RESOLUTION 69-2016

Willowdale Road Property Tax ID#023-03-05

On a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Venezia the following resolution was PASSED. AYES – 5 Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, DeWitt, Randall
NAYS – 0

Resolved the Town of Spafford accepts the quote from R.J. Frost Company, LLC in the amount of \$7,900 for the demolition and cleanup of the unsafe structure at located on Willowdale Road, identified with Tax ID# 023-03-05.3.

LAND-USE TRAINING

Mr. Tanner proposed a land use training session for the members of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals. He offered to prepare material and teach on planned development districts.

A motion made to accept a land use training session prepared and presented by Mr. Tanner as applicable towards the required land use training was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor DeWitt. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 1 of 2016: *Amending the Zoning Code*

The Town Clerk confirmed receipt of the Affidavit of Publication for the notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law 1 of 2016.

A motion to open the Public Hearing for comments on Proposed Local Law 1 of 2016: Amending the Zoning Code at 7:23 p.m. was made by Supervisor Kozub, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

There were several comments relating to commercial/short term rentals and “casual” rentals. There were suggestions to modify the proposed definition for Commercial Lodging Establishment.

A motion to close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 1 of 2016 at 7:50 p.m. was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Randall. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

A motion to table any additional action on Proposed Local Law 1 of 2016 was made by Councilor Venezia, seconded by Councilor Randall. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 2 of 2016: *Establishing Fees and Rules for Commercial Use of the Borodino Boat Landing*

The Town Clerk confirmed receipt of the Affidavit of Publication for the notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law 2 of 2016.

A motion to open the Public Hearing for comments on Proposed Local Law 2 of 2016: Establishing Fees and Rules for Commercial Use of the Borodino Boat Landing at 7:51 p.m. was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor DeWitt. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

There were comments regarding enforcement, fees, and suggestions to tow violators.

A motion to close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 2 of 2016 at 8:10 p.m. was made by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Randall. The motion PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

A motion was made by Councilor Fesko for the following changes to Proposed Local Law 2-2016: remove the fees from the text of the law; include the application and permit. The motion was seconded by Councilor Randall and PASSED. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0.

RECESS

Supervisor Kozub called for a 5 minute recess at 8:10 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:15 p.m.

BIRDSALL FARM

Dennis Birdsall, of Birdsall Farm on Ripley Hill Road, is seeking support from the Town Board for an application to the NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Program (“the Program”). Mr. Birdsall has presented his application to Onondaga County Planning Agency, Cortland County and the Town of Scott and has received support/favorable ratings from each.

Councilor Fesko commented the Program does not ensure agricultural use of the land. Mr. Birdsall agreed the Program just restricts development.

RESOLUTION 70-2016

Birdsall Farm – NYS Farmland Protection Implementation Program

Whereas, New York State provides funding for the protection of valuable farmland through the NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Program, and

Whereas, the Birdsall Farm, located in the Town of Spafford, has applied to Onondaga County to participate in the program through the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board, and

Whereas, the Birdsall Farm was selected through a competitive selection process by the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board to apply to the state program, and

Whereas, the Finger Lakes Land Trust has agreed to apply to the state program on behalf of the Birdsall Farm and to hold, monitor and enforce the conservation easement should the project be funded, and

Whereas, the Town of Spafford adopted residential agricultural district zoning where the Birdsall Farm is located with the intent to “retain viable tracts of farmland, preserve agricultural land uses and retain the rural landscape and quality of life related to farming”, and

Whereas, the Town of Spafford values the contributions and protection of agriculture in the town and recognizes the important opportunity the NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Program provides for farmers across the state,

Now, therefore, on a motion by Councilor Fesko, seconded by Councilor Venezia
BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Spafford does hereby support the application of the Birdsall Farm for the NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Program.

AYES – 5
NAYS – 0

Kozub, Fesko, Venezia, Dewitt, Randall

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. was made by Councilor DeWitt, seconded by Councilor Fesko. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Next meeting to be held
Thursday, June 9, 2016 @ 7 p.m.
@ Spafford Town Hall

Lisa M. Valletta
Town Clerk
Town of Spafford