

# TOWN OF WAYNE BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 11, 2017

## **Public Hearing**

A public hearing was called to allow public comment and discussion on the following proposed laws:

1. Local Law #1 of 2017 – Disallow on all properties in the Town of Wayne Real Property Tax Exemption granted pursuant to Section 487(8) of the Real Property Tax Law of 1991. There was no discussion or comments.
2. Local Law #2 of 2017 – Amendment of the Town of Wayne Land Use Regulations, Section 4.6, Fees. There was no discussion or comments.

The public hearing was closed.

Supervisor Butchko called the Board Meeting to order at 6:35 pm, with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Supervisor Butchko  
Councilperson Carlson  
Councilperson Haar  
Councilperson Haff  
Councilperson Freeman  
Clerk Mooney

Also present: Joe Hauryski, David Bauer, Jeff Martin, Arthur Kelly, Candy Dietrich, Bob Canfield

## **Guest Speaker**

Mr. Joe Hauryski presented information regarding a county plan for shared services. It would require the creation of a shared service panel, chaired by the County Manager, Jack Wheeler, and include members from all towns, villages, cities in the county. The panel is to prepare a property tax savings plan that must contain new savings through shared services. It will involve public hearings, and an opt-out option by any town or group. This will need to be presented to the legislature by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. More information to come.

Mr. Hauryski gave a 'shout out' of recognition to Councilperson Julie Haar for her excellent presentation at the legislature drug forum.

The new county building is 'coming along.' Construction bids came in by under 1.2 million dollars budgeted. The county will look at using that savings by putting in a third floor.

There are 3 public works road projects this year, and one will be County Route 97, West Waneta Lake Road.

The county is putting together a group to look at creating a land bank to fix up housing, re-sell it, and put the proceeds back into the land bank. This would be available to any town in the county.

A question regarding the Phillips and Kraft facilities arose. Mr. Hauryski explained the Phillips plant should have been on the market by now, but that Phillips is dragging their feet in terms of clean up. It is uncertain what the future is for the Kraft plant. There are some serious negotiations from interested parties, which is encouraging, but no specific news yet.

There was a question regarding a high speed internet fiber optic system. Per Mr. Hauryski, it probably won't happen. A plan is in the works, but probably won't benefit the Town of Wayne community.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the Town Board meeting of February 14, 2017, were reviewed. Motion to approve all meetings minutes was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, all in favor.

### **Supervisors Report**

Supervisor's report for Town Board meetings of February 14, 2017, and March 14, 2017 were presented and reviewed. Motion to approve both supervisors report was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, and all in favor.

There will be a permissive referendum announcement to use up to \$7,500 from the Water Reserve into the evaluation and improvement of the water system. There may be a small leak in the pump line, and the well may need to be cleaned out. There is also the possibility that the pump itself will need to be replaced. Superintendent Bauer will look into having someone come and evaluate the well and pump system.

There will be a second permissive referendum to use up to \$10,000 from the Building Reserve for continued cemetery improvements, and to expand the playground.

A motion to accept and announce both permissive referendums was made by Councilperson Carlson, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, and all in favor.

### **Clerks Report**

The clerk's reports for Town Board meetings of February 14, 2017, and March 14, 2017 were presented and reviewed. No discussion.

Vouchers of Abstract 4 of were submitted and discussed. The payee of Voucher # 92 was incorrect, and will be re-written from 'Verizon' to 'Time Warner Cable.' Motion to approve vouchers as corrected was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, and all in favor.

Abstract 4 Vouchers were broken down by:

- General Account
  - Vouchers 76 - 101
  - Total \$20,035.75
- Highway Account
  - Vouchers 30 - 43
  - Total \$14,371.40

- TA Account
  - Vouchers 13 - 16
  - Total \$6,656.90
- SL Account
  - Voucher 4
  - Total \$210.49

The board was updated on the progress of the 2017 property tax collection.

There was discussion regarding continuing with tax collection at the Town Hall as in previous years, or switching to Five Star Bank collecting taxes. It would cost the town approximately \$400 to do taxes through the bank. Clerk Mooney spent approximately \$450 to have a local resident assist her with taxes. No specific decision at this time.

**Justice Report**

Justices reports were reviewed. No discussion.

**Assessor**

Proposed Local Law #1 regarding taxation of commercial solar sites and bill was discussed. A motion to accept Local Law #1 of 2017 (Disallow on all properties in the Town of Wayne Real Property Tax Exemption granted pursuant to Section 487(8) of the Real Property Tax Law of 1991) was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Carlson, and roll call vote was taken. All in favor.

Supervisor Butchko	yes
Councilperson Carlson	yes
Councilperson Haar	yes
Councilperson Haff	yes
Councilperson Freeman	yes

Because of changes to the Board of Review, Mr. William Mahr agreed to serve as a third member. He will take the required class later this month. A motion to appoint Mr. Mahr to the BAR was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, and all in favor.

**Highway Superintendent Report**

The highway journal was presented and discussed.

The Sylvan Beach area drainage and pipes are being re-done. Soil and Water has done all the engineering and the Sylvan Beach residents have purchased the pipe. Soil and Water will do all the work.

The new Western Star is in the phase of adding attachments.

It was requested that when the department is going to use the road broom, that it be done on a calmer day. Quite a bit of dust was raised when last used.

The History group would like to put the new East Lake Road interpretive sign in a more visible place, such as SR 54 and East Lake Road. Superintendent Bauer to look at and evaluate the new site for practicality.

**Code & Zoning Officer**

Review of monthly reports were presented. No discussion.

Proposed Local Law #2 of 2017 is an Amendment of the Town of Wayne Lane Use Regulations, Section 4.6, Fees was discussed. A motion was made to accept this local law was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Carlson, and roll call vote was taken. All in favor.

Supervisor Butchko	yes
Councilperson Carlson	yes
Councilperson Haar	yes
Councilperson Haff	yes
Councilperson Freeman	yes

There will be a commercial solar meeting here at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>.

Because the town planning board has dropped from 7 members to 5 members, and the town zoning board has dropped from 5 members to 3 members, there has been a need for alternates for both boards. A motion was made to adopt up to 2 alternate members for each board. Motion was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Carlson, and all in favor.

In addition, a motion to appoint Mr. Jeff Martin as an alternate to the town planning board, and Mr. Greg Blessing as an alternate to the town zoning board was made by Councilperson Carlson, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, and all in favor.

**Watershed**

Report was presented and no discussion.

Watershed secretary Kurtz sent out the 2017 inspection renewal notices today.

**Dog Control Officer**

Dog License Report reviewed. No discussion.

**History Group**

Report Reviewed. No discussion.

**Other Business**

There will be 5 positions up for re-election this fall, supervisor, highway superintendent, town clerk, and 2 councilmembers. Mr. Carlson made the suggestion that an advertisement for these positions should go into the local paper to begin the search for potential interested candidates. Ms. Mooney to put an ad in The Shopper.

LULA training will be held Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at Yates County Auditorium.

### **Public Comments**

Mr. Art Kelly had questions regarding property line issues, and the involvement of town 'paper' roads and right of way. Mr. Kelly was directed to discuss this issue with Code Officer, Mr. Harrop.

### **Executive Session**

A motion to temporarily adjourn the Town Board meeting and move into executive session was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Freeman, and all in favor.

A motion to come out of executive session was made by Councilperson Haar, seconded by Councilperson Haff, and all in favor.

The action plans from the executive session are:

1. For Supervisor Butchko to continue discussion regarding the proposed lease of town land from Horvath Company for a cell tower.
2. To ask Mr. Gill Harrop to attend the May 9<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

### **Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting was made by Councilperson Carlson, seconded by Councilperson Haar, and all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Beth Mooney, Town Clerk  
April 11, 2017