

**TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

September 8, 2016

The Town Council met for a regular monthly meeting at the Town Hall building, 12 Mitchell Street, Canajoharie, New York.

Present: Supervisor Herbert Allen, Councilpersons: William Armitstead, John Toomey, Jr. Councilman Rodney Young, and John Peruzzi; Bookkeeper Amy Kretser, Highway Superintendent David Hodge;

The meeting was opened by the Supervisor at 7:30pm, and the evening's agenda was presented

On a **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Peruzzi, the agenda was **approved, all in favor, and carried**

7:31pm-Public Hearing for Local Law #5 which would extend Local Law #2 of 2016 moratorium for a period Six months; Josh Katz from Onyx Renewables, which partners with Safari, speaks regarding the solar project on Seebers Ln. Safari is a solar developer out of New York City and Onyx manages the construction, operation, and posts the decommissioning bond; He expresses concern that the moratorium now in place does not allow the submission of site plans, etc. for the project to move forward

-Town Supervisor Allen explains that the Town Planning Board is going to look over the proposed law one more time, a public hearing needs to be held, and then it will come to the Town Board

7:45pm-Public Hearing Closed

On a **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Armitstead, the August regular meeting minutes were **approved, all in favor, and carried**

Public Comment- Property owners on Budd St. state their concerns and displeasure over their building permit application being denied by the Town Code Enforcement officer.

-Superintendent Hodge explains again that Budd St. is a minimum maintenance road that is not plowed nor maintained by the Town Highway Dept.

-Supervisor Allen explains that the Code Enforcement officer denied the permit because of the concern that emergency response vehicles cannot access the proposed building site

-The property owner states that he can plow the road himself

-Supervisor Allen restates there is a Minimum Maintenance Road Local Law in effect that the property owners were given, and the only way to re-classify the road is to petition the Town Board

7:55pm-Public Comment Closed

Motion to enter Executive Session by Supervisor Allen, **seconded** by Councilman Toomey, **all in favor, unanimous ayes**

8:00pm-Executive Session

Motion to Exit Executive Session by Councilman Toomey, seconded by Supervisor Allen, all in favor, unanimous ayes
8:25pm-Executive session concluded

Resolution #15 of 2016

WHEREFORE: A public hearing was held September 8, 2016 to hear arguments for and/or against proposed Local Law #5 of 2016 which would extend the moratorium on solar energy systems for an additional period of six (6) months,

WHEREFORE: Such local law would temporarily prohibit construction, installation, approval, and processing of applications for solar energy systems. Installation of rooftop panels would not be subject to the moratorium,

RESOLVED: that Local Law #5 of 2016 is passed, thereby extending the moratorium on solar energy systems for an additional period of six (6) months.

Sponsor: Supervisor Herbert Allen

Second: Councilman John Peruzzi

Voting:	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Supervisor Herbert Allen	X		
Councilman William Armitstead	X		
Councilman John Toomey, Jr.	X		
Councilman Rodney Young	X		
Councilman John Peruzzi	X		

Dated: September 8, 2016
Laurie M. Vroman
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #16 OF 2016

Re-Appointment of Robert Wilson to the Board of Assessment Review

Whereas, Robert Wilson had been re-appointed as a Board of Assessment Review member on October 1, 2011,

Whereas, Robert Wilson's term ends on September 30, 2016,

Whereas, Robert Wilson is willing to continue to serve upon the Board of Assessment Review,

RESOLVED: Robert Wilson is re-appointed as a member of the Board of Assessment Review, term to expire September 30, 2021.

SPONSOR: Councilman William Armitstead

SECOND: Councilman John Toomey

VOTING:	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
Supervisor Herbert Allen	X		
Councilman William Armitstead	X		
Councilman John Toomey	X		
Councilman Rodney Young	X		
Councilman John Peruzzi	X		

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Supervisor Allen informs the Board that Theodore Shaver has resigned from the Zoning Board of Appeals and a replacement needs to be found

Supervisor Allen brings the budget sheets to the Board attention

Supervisor Allen informs the Board that the Town is not sure where it stands with the Village of Canajoharie Court dissolution to the Town Court;

-The Town Court would take over in April 2017

Highway Superintendent- Discussed well system at the Town Barn

Town Clerk- No comment

Bookkeeper:

TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE-9/7/16
CASH REPORT AUGUST 31, 2016

CHECKING ACCOUNTS	
General	\$ 12,070.03
Fire District	\$ 39.86
Consolidated Health	\$ 25.28
Wide	\$ 14,885.95
Highway Part Town	\$ 20,429.40
Trust & Agency	\$ <u>199.59</u>
Total	\$ 47,650.11

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS	
General	\$201,166.43
Highway Town Wide	\$ 84,388.52
Highway Part Town	\$ <u>320,475.54</u>
Total	\$606,030.35

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	
Consolidated Health	\$ 1,493.87
Highway Cap Reserv	\$ 14,677.64
Gen-Cap Res Garage	\$174,675.52
Gen-Sale of Land	\$ <u>53,831.54</u>
Total	\$244,678.57

Respectfully submitted,
Amy S. Kretser, Bookkeeper

BILLS

The Town Clerk presented the following bill vouchers for approval:

General fund vouchers #167 through #178, totaling \$16,255.32;

Highway fund vouchers #183 through #201, totaling \$26,692.57

On a **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Armitstead, the bills were **unanimously approved** for payment.

Adjournment

On a **motion** by Councilman Armitstead, **seconded** by Supervisor Allen, all in favor ayes, the meeting was **unanimously** adjourned at **8:45PM**.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie M. Vroman, Town Clerk