

**TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

April 13, 2017

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

Present: Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Rodney Young, Councilpersons: John Peruzzi, John Toomey, Jr., Councilman William Armitstead; Bookkeeper Amy Kretser not present; Highway Superintendent David Hodge;

Public Present: Josh Katz-Onyx Solar; Jeff Ruszkowski

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

On a **motion** by Councilman Armitstead, **seconded** by Councilman Toomey, the **agenda** was **unanimously approved**

On **motion** by Councilman Toomey, **seconded** by Councilman Armitstead, the **March 2017 minutes** were **unanimously approved**

Public Comment- Josh Katz from Onyx Solar speaks to Town Board regarding Town's referral of proposed solar Local Law to the County, requests that referral be done or parallel to the public hearing May 11th

-Deputy Supervisor Young indicates that referral is done after the public hearing, but sees no problem to do referral parallel to public hearing; Councilman Toomey agrees

-Discussion regarding proposed 900 acre solar farm

-Discussion regarding a proposed solar farm facing Mr. Ruszkowski's back yard;

RESOLUTION #6 OF 2017 RENEWING 2016 TRUCK BOND

Whereas, the Town of Canajoharie is renewing of Bond for 2016 Western Star truck and plow;

Whereas, the principal amount of the Bond is \$167,050.00 with accrued interest of \$3,498.31, for a total of indebtedness of **\$170,548.31**;

RESOLVED: the Town Council authorizes its' Town Supervisor to pay \$55,683.00 plus interest in the amount of \$1,280.71, for a total of \$56,963.71, to reduce the principal amount of the Bond and renew the remaining balance of \$111,367.00 on said Bond, for a new one (1) year term.

SPONSOR: Councilman William Armitstead

SECOND: Councilman John Toomey, Jr.

VOTING:	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
Deputy Supervisor Rodney Young	X		
Councilman William Armitstead	X		
Councilman John Toomey, Jr.	X		
Councilman John Peruzzi	X		

Laurie M. Vroman
Town Clerk
April 13, 2017

Resolution #7 of 2017

For Public Hearing to be held on May 11, 2017 at 7:30pm, 12 Mitchell St., Canajoharie, regarding a proposed Local Law #2 of 2017 to establish Town-Wide Solar Energy System rules and regulations. The proposed local law contains rules and regulations regarding the permitting and installation of utility-scale solar collector systems, as well as, rooftop, flush mounted, ground-mounted racks, and freestanding solar collectors. At such time and place all persons interested in the subject matter will be heard concerning the same.

Sponsor: Councilman John Toomey, Jr.
Second: Councilman William Armitstead

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

Dated: April 13, 2017
Laurie M. Vroman
Town Clerk

Resolution #8 of 2017

Whereas, Town Supervisor, Herbert A. Allen, submitted his letter of resignation to the Town Clerk on March 15, 2017, and

Whereas, the current term of Town Supervisor ends December 31, 2017,

Whereas, the Town Board agrees to appoint a Town Supervisor not currently a member of the Town Board,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Canajoharie appoints Peter Vroman as Town Supervisor for the remainder of the current term ending December 31, 2017.

Sponsor: Councilman John Peruzzi
Second: Councilman William Armitstead

Voting: AYE NAY ABSENT

Deputy Supervisor Rodney Young X
 Councilman William Armitstead X
 Councilman John Toomey, Jr. X
 Councilman John Peruzzi X

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HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT- requests that the new contract for drug testing scheduling be Town Clerk, Town Clerk and Board agrees;

-Received a bid of \$15,800.00 for Ford truck and \$1,300.00 for plow on Auctions International, suggests to accept the bids, Board agrees, sell them

-Highway Dept. had two roll-overs this winter on 2/14/ and 3/13; \$4,500.00 repair, \$500.00 deductible

-Completed paperwork to County regarding overtime during Storm Stella; approx. \$21K overtime

-Discussion of Budd Rd. and its' designation of minimum maintenance road

TOWN CLERK- Tax Collection ended; Collected \$2,564,762.89; Unpaid taxes: \$799,885.96; Town Warrant collected: \$472,517.00; Penalties to be paid to Town: \$5,361.53; Notice fees to be paid to Town: \$67.00

BOOKKEEPER

TOWN OF CANAJOHARIE-4/4/17 CASH REPORT MARCH 31, 2017

CHECKING ACCOUNTS

General	\$ 162,557.00
Fire District	\$ 39.86
Consolidated Health	\$ 25.28
Highway Town Wide	\$ 166,553.68
Highway Part Town	\$ 248,228.86
Trust & Agency	\$ 443.21
Total	\$ 577,847.89

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS

General	\$ 79,184.50
Highway Town Wide	\$ 34,395.72
Highway Part Town	\$ 90,495.42
Total	\$ 204,075.64

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Consolidated Health	\$ 1,494.03
Highway Cap Reserv	\$ 24,679.60
Gen-Cap Res Garage	\$194,694.10
Gen-Sale of Land	\$ 53,836.96
Total	\$274,704.69

BUDGET AMENDMENT

INCREASE REVENUE

DA2680 Insurance Recovery

INCREASE EXPENDITURE

DA5130.4 Machinery Contr

\$8186.82

Insurance money for damages to Mack Truck

Respectfully submitted,

Amy S. Kretser, Bookkeeper

Deputy Supervisor Young informs the Board that there are two open spots on the Planning Board; Town resident, Raymond Kiefl is interested as well as Alex Caven, a possible Village resident—need to verify Mr. Caven’s residency before possible appointment

Resolution #9 of 2017

Whereas, an opening exists on the Town of Canajoharie Planning Board, and

Whereas, Town resident, Raymond Kiefl, has contacted the Town Board to express his interest in appointment to the Planning Board,

Whereas, the current opening term ends December 31, 2023,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Canajoharie appoints Raymond Kiefl to the Town of Canajoharie Planning Board term to expire December 31, 2023.

Sponsor: Councilman John Peruzzi

Second: Councilman William Armitstead

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

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Laurie M. Vroman

Town Clerk

Deputy Supervisor Young informs the Board that he would like to use his paycheck earned as interim Town Supervisor for donation to Mountains to Miracles charity in memory of Peggy Allen

BILLS

The clerk presented the following bill vouchers for approval:

General fund vouchers #66 through 905, totaling \$16,529.11;

Highway fund vouchers #58 through #86, totaling \$23,992.21

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

Adjournment

On a **motion** by Deputy Supervisor Young, **seconded** by Councilman Peruzzi, all in favor, ayes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie M. Vroman, Town Clerk