

November 15, 2018

The Town of Corinth Town Board held a meeting on November 15, 2018 at 4:30 PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Richard Lucia, Town Supervisor
Edward Byrnes, Councilman
Jeffrey Collura, Councilman
Joshua Halliday, Councilman
Eric Butler, Councilman
Rose E. Farr, Town Clerk
Shawn Eggleston, Highway Superintendent-Excused
Jason Delong-Deputy Highway Superintendent
Cheri Sullivan, Deputy Town Clerk
Albert Brooks, Code Enforcement- Excused

Public: Matthew Fogarty, Kate Halliday, Michael Eggleston

After roll call and the pledge of allegiance the following business was conducted:

RESOLUTION # 327

MOTION TO PAY CDBG FUNDS AS PRESENTED.

On a motion by Councilman Halliday and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED that CDBG funds be paid as presented.

2018 ABSTRACT

Abstracts For 11/15/2018

Voucher CDBG - #28-30	
<u>General Fund A</u>	\$
<u>General Fund/Outside Village - B</u>	\$
<u>Community Development Grant - CDBG</u>	\$ 32,300.00
<u>Highway/Part Town - DB</u>	\$
<u>Medical - EF</u>	\$
<u>Home Improvement</u>	\$
<u>Fire - SF</u>	\$
<u>Sewer/Water</u>	
Eastern Avenue	\$
Tranquility	\$
Passarelli	\$
Dorset	\$
Corinth #5	\$
<u>Lighting</u>	
Eastern Avenue	\$
Eggleston Street	\$
South Corinth	\$

RESOLUTION # 328

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 08, 2018.

On a motion by Councilman Butler and seconded by Councilman Byrnes the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED that meeting minutes from November 08, 2018 be approved.

Supervisor Lucia spoke on the following:

- Employee Health insurance-

RESOLUTION # 329

MOTION TO RENEW WITH SAME HEALTH INSURANCE THAT TOWN IS CURRENTLY USING.

On a motion by Councilman Halliday and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Lucia, Byrnes, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 1 Collura
 Absent 0

RESOLVED that the town renew same employee health insurance that the town is currently using.

- Supervisor Lucia gave the Preliminary Budget to Town Clerk Farr and the board members present; he then opened the Public hearing on the Town Budget. The Public hearing notice was read into record and there was no comment from the public present and the following action was taken.

RESOLUTION # 330

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWN BUDGET.

On a motion by Councilman Halliday and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED that the public hearing on the Town budget be closed.

Supervisor Lucia spoke on the following:

- Assessor accepting a full time position with Town of Watervliet that has insurance. Supervisor Lucia said she would like to continue working as she is at the rate she was getting for the two days with the Town prior to the raise or drop to the rate of \$44,000 and work one day every other week with the town of Corinth. The decision would have to be made by the 20th of November in order to be calculated into the budget. Councilman Collura said so the option was to lower it by \$5,000.00 and she would continue as is. Supervisor Lucia said that was correct. There was discussion had as to monetary arrangements that were previously made with the Assessor.

RESOLUTION # 331

MOTION TO LOWER ASSESSOR’S SALARY BY \$5000.00 WHILE STILL WORKING TWO DAYS A WEEK FOR THE TOWN OF CORINTH.

On a motion by Councilman Collura and seconded by Councilman Halliday the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED to lower Assessor’s salary by \$5,000.00 while still maintaining a two day work week schedule.

- Opening of Paver Bid @ 4:35pm. The bid opening was read into record and opened @4:35pm. There was two bids submitted one from Milton Cat for \$63,900.00 and one from Tracey Road Equipment for \$133,000.00. There was no comment from the public present and the following decision was made.

RESOLUTION # 332

MOTION TO GO WITH MILTON CAT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE PAVER.

On a motion by Councilman Butler and seconded by Councilman Byrnes the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED to go with Milton Cat for the purchase of the paver.

- At 4:42pm the public hearing on the CDBG Grant was opened and read into record. Nicole Proctor was present from Flatley Read and reviewed grant funding. There was no comment from the public present. The following actions were taken.

RESOLUTION # 333

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON CDBG GRANT.

On a motion by Councilman Byrnes and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED that the public hearing on the CDBG grant be closed.

RESOLUTION # RESCINDED

MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF THE 2016 CDBG GRANT

On a motion by Councilman Collura and seconded by Councilman Halliday the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED to approve the extension of the CDBG Grant of 2016.

This motion was rescinded by board because motion was previously made.

Supervisor Lucia spoke on the following:

- Supervisor Lucia said he did the tax cap summary with the state. Superviosr Lucia said \$33,000.00 is what the town was allowed with the state and the town actually has \$115,000.00 over therefore the town needs to move forward with the override

RESOLUTION # 334

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2018 AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD TO OVERRIDE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW§3-C FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2018
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD TO OVERRIDE
TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019**

WHEREAS, the Town Board is considering adoption of proposed Local Law No.: 2 of 2018 entitled, "A Local Law to Override Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c for Fiscal Year 2019". Local Law No. 2 would authorize the Town Board to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Corinth pursuant to New York General Municipal Law Section 3-c, and allow the Town Board to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2019 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this legislation is authorized by New York General Municipal Law §3-c and New York Municipal Home Rule Law §10; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board duly held a public hearing concerning such proposed Local Law on Thursday, November 8, 2018 and heard all interested persons,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Corinth Town Board hereby adopts Local Law Number 2 of 2018 authorizing the Board to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Corinth pursuant to New York General Municipal Law Section 3-c for the fiscal year 2019; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes and directs the Town Clerk to file the Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law and acknowledges that the Local Law will take effect immediately upon filing by the Office of the Secretary of State; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board further authorizes and directs the Town Supervisor, Town Clerk and Town Counsel to take such other and further action as may be necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Duly adopted this 8TH day of November, 2018, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lucia=yes, Byrnes=yes, Halliday=yes, Butler=yes
NOES: Collura-No
ABSENT: 0

The Resolution was declared duly adopted by a vote of not less than sixty percent (60%) of the full membership of the Town Board.

- Supervisor Lucia read the following into record.

BUDGET HEARING NOVEMBER 15, 2018

As budget years go, this is absolutely the worst budget we have had to do in many years.

With the cost of doing Town Business going up every month like our bills at home , fuel oil, gasoline, Electricity, Supplies, Black top, and our Revenues going down, there is no way to not raise the town tax rate this year.

The rate will go up .23 cents per thousand, meaning \$23.00 on a house valued at \$100,000. We have worked long and hard cutting most budgets from 5% to 20%, and still keep the services you expect.

There is a 2% cost of living for most employees, except the Supervisor and Town Board that did not accept the 2%.'

Our Ems Budget did go down from 73 cents per thousand to about 52% a thousand.

In the Budget, The A fund or town Wide Item makes up our tax rate. Everything else is called Special districts, including Fire Contract with the Village, New water system, and metering, Lighting and waters. Only billed to the districts using that service.

We have exceeded the tax cap by 115000 after doing the tax cap formula with the state comptroller's office.

We have our work cut out for us for next year to see what other areas may be cut. This year we had to turn down several full time positions because of budget and work issues.

We do try to work daily for our Community.

Town Clerk Farr questioned the blanks for water district 5 and the bond for the water. Town Clerk Farr said that the Bond financing had to be done first or the interest wouldn't be the same.

RESOLUTION # 335

MOTION TO APPROVE THE TOWN BUDGET FOR 2019.

On a motion by Councilman Halliday and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Lucia, Byrnes, Halliday and Butler
	Nays	1	Collura
	Absent	0	

RESOLVED to approve the town budget for 2019 by Roll Call vote.

RESOLUTION # 336

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUPERVISOR'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER AS PRESENTED.

On a motion by Councilman Byrnes and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes	5	Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
	Nays	0	
	Absent	0	

RESOLVED to approve the supervisors report for October as presented.

Bookkeeper Halliday—presented to board the cash report and the EMS report. Bookkeeper Halliday informed the board of how helpful Kronos had been in regards to customer service.

Supervisor Lucia spoke on the following:

- Unreserved fund balances already taken out for next year
- Only two railroad cars left at Depot
- Rededication service on Sunday went really nice.

Public Comment- None

Town Board

Councilman Byrnes--No comment

Councilman Butler- No Comment

Councilman Collura--No comment

Councilman Halliday-No comment

Highway Superintendent- Excused

Highway Deputy Superintendent- No comment

Code Enforcement Officer Brooks- Excused

Town Clerk Farr:

Town Clerk Farr spoke on the following:

- Starting meter installations with the snowbirds first.
- Don Rhodes issuing third notice-Councilman Byrnes said it was just the wording. Town Clerk Farr said that he needs to call and discuss with Don Rhodes.
- Communication needs to improve between board members and employees, ie regarding items being loaned to others in the community. Town hall employees should be aware.
- Cost to have BAS \$1700.00 to input meter information Vs. Cheri. There was further discussion and the following was decided.

RESOLUTION #337

MOTION TO ALLOW DEPUTY TOWN CLERK SULLIVAN TO WORK THE EXTRA HOURS TO INPUT METER INFORMATION.

On a motion by Councilman Byrnes and seconded by Councilman Butler the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED to allow Deputy Town Clerk Sullivan to work extra hours to input meter information.

RESOLUTION #338

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On a motion by Councilman Halliday and seconded by Councilman Byrnes the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Lucia, Byrnes, Collura, Halliday and Butler
 Nays 0
 Absent 0

RESOLVED with there being no further business the meeting is adjourned at 5:10pm

Respectfully submitted



Cheri Sullivan
Deputy Town Clerk