

February 14, 2019

The Town of Corinth Town Board held a meeting on February 14, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

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

Public:
Robin Schumacher, Bill Duell, Kevin Clark, Gus Slade, Terry Hoffman, Mary Shippee, Maureen Kelly,
Kyle Merin & Kirk Sucman from Hill Electric

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

Supervisor Lucia spoke on the following:

- Transfers and Budget Adjustments- none
- Approving of minutes

RESOLUTION # 99

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 07, 2019.

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

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

RESOLVED that the minutes from February 07, 2019 be approved.

- Update Dean Family Farm- Supervisor Lucia read the letter into record that was hand delivered to Dean's Family Farm.

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February 13, 2019

Mr. Marc Dean
Ms. Kathy Dean
The Dean Family Farm
Feed and Grain
4665 Route 9
Corinth, NY 12822

Re: The Dean Family Farm; 4665 Route 9, Corinth, New York

Dear Mr. & Ms. Dean:

I am the Town Supervisor and have been involved in Town Government in various capacities for 25 years. I have lived in the Town of Corinth 78 years. In short, I am highly invested in our community. It is with this sense of concern about you and my other Town neighbors that I am writing to you.

We have all learned of your family's decision to close The Dean Family Farm rather than seek to bring it into Code compliance. I am requesting that you and your family reconsider your decision.

A number of residents appeared at our last Town Board meeting to let us know how important your business is to them. Not one had a bad word to say about your operation. Likewise, I am not aware of any Town officer or employee who wishes for your business to close -- including the Town Council members and the Town Code Enforcement Officer.

Although neither the Town Board nor the Code Enforcement Officer have

the ability to waive the requirements of the state's Uniform Fire Protection and Building Code, it is my understanding that the Code Enforcement Officer does have the ability to allow you to continue to do business while the property comes into compliance. I have been told that no request by you for an adjournment of the enforcement matter was denied by the Town. I have every reason to believe that this will continue to be the case so long as a compliance schedule has been agreed to. Consistent with this, you will note that no effort to fine you for Code violations has been made, and this matter is not before the Town Court.

The Town of Corinth wishes to make its resources available to you and your family to find ways which allow you to remain in business despite the expense of coming into Code compliance. Although the Town is legally prohibited from making a grant or loan to you, its expertise and support is available to you, as it would be to any other person finding himself in a similar position. Town personnel may be able to steer you towards available grants, and the Town would be eager to write letters in support of such applications. Also, your attorney informed the Attorney for the Town that you were considering asking the State to waive one or more of the Code requirements (e.g., a bathroom in the store). I believe that the Town Board would enact a resolution in support of any such application.

Lastly, if volunteer labor is needed for a project, the Town would be willing to assist in getting the word out, and I believe you would see several faces from Town Hall among the volunteers.

If you and your family would like to meet to further discuss these issues, please let me know and I can meet you either here at Town Hall or at the Farm. I hope you will take this letter into consideration.

Very truly yours,

Dick Lucia
Dick Lucia, Supervisor

cc: Town Board
Albert Brooks, Sr.



Public Speaking:

Robin Schumacher, Terry Hoffman, Kevin Clark, Maureen Kelly, Mary Shippee

There was discussion pertaining to the following: Right to farm, Agri-business and mercantile business, classification of farm, Town code and violations of Town code.

- River Road Renewal 2019

RESOLUTION # 100

TO APPROVE THE OPERATING LICENSE FOR RIVER ROAD CAMPGROUND FOR 2019.

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

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

RESOLVED that the operating license for River Road Campground be approved for 2019.

New Business-

- Hill Electric- Kirk Merin & Kyle Sucman were present from Hill Electric to review quotes on lighting for Town Hall, Rescue Squad, Senior Center and Highway garage with the incentives from National Grid.

RESOLUTION # 101

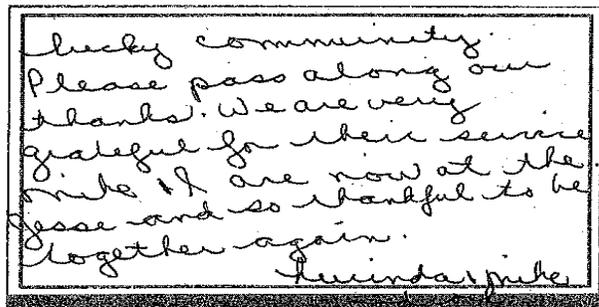
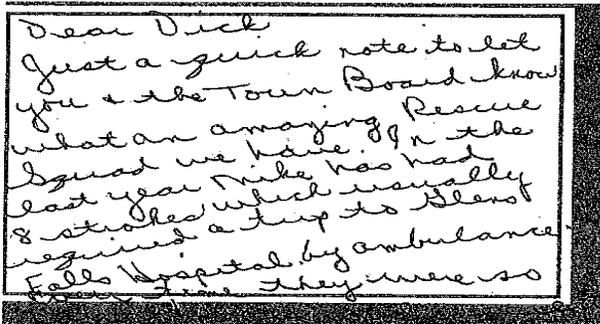
TO APPROVE THE AUTHORIZATION OF HILL ELECTRIC TO MOVE FORWARD AND SUBMIT QUOTES AS PRESENTED TO NATIONAL GRID.

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

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

RESOLVED that Hill Electric be authorized to move forward and submit quotes as presented to National Grid.

- County Auction March 19, 2019
- Thanks EMS card-Supervisor Lucia read the following thank you card into record:



- Home Grant Announcement- Supervisor Lucia said the Town of Corinth was awarded \$400,000.00 in the NYS CDBG grant funds.

- The Following Reports are on file in the Supervisor’s office:
 - Dog Control Report
 - Senior Sentinel
 - Town Clerks Reports
 - Highway Report
 - Building/Code enforcement officer’s report
 - Fire Reports
 - Landfill Report
 - Senior Report- Supervisor Lucia said that John Randall has been nominated as Volunteer of the year and will be recognized at a dinner at the State capitol in May.
 - Assessors Report
 - Justice Reports
 - Handout from Mrs. Reed

- Motion to pay bills

RESOLUTION # 102

MOTION TO APPROVE BILLS AS AUDITED WITH EXCEPTIONS

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

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

RESOLVED that the bills be approved as audited with exceptions.

2018 ABSTRACT

Abstracts For 02/14/2019

Voucher A - #190035-190075; B #192023-192050 (#192041 Void); DB #193021-#193045 (#193026, #193034 and #192025 VOID); CM #197015- #197020; SL So Corinth #19400; SL Eastern - #194037 and Eggleston SL - #194055

<u>General Fund A</u>	\$ 22,319.77
<u>General Fund/Outside Village - B</u>	\$ 3,809.62
<u>Community Development Grant - CDBG</u>	\$
<u>Highway/Part Town - DB</u>	\$ 26,942.31
<u>Medical – CM</u>	\$ 11,585.82
<u>Home Improvement</u>	\$
<u>Fire - SF</u>	\$

Sewer/Water

Eastern Avenue	\$
Tranquility	\$
Passarelli	\$
Dorset	\$
Corinth #5	\$

Lighting

Eastern Avenue	\$	291.65
Eggleston Street	\$	151.22
South Corinth	\$	252.00

Public Speaking:

Maureen Kelly spoke on the following:

- 1.Future grant opportunities April/May
2. Census 2020 and its importance.

Town Attorney: No comment

Councilman Byrnes & Councilman Butler -No comment

Councilman Collura-

Discussed the following:

1. Stated that he read the letter and will discuss it next week.

Town Clerk Farr- No comment

Highway Superintendent Eggleston –Excused

Building/Code Enforcement Officer Brooks -No comment

RESOLUTION # 103

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PERSONNEL WITH NO DECISION.

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

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

RESOLVED to adjourn to executive session on personnel with no decision at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted



Cheri Sullivan
Deputy Town Clerk

