

A Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Williamson, County of Wayne and State of New York was held in the Town Complex Court Room located at 6380 Route 21, Suite II, at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, August 9, 2016. The following were

PRESENT: Supervisor Anthony Verno
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

ABSENT: None

The Board reviewed bills for payment.

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Williamson was held in the Town Complex Court Room located at 6380 Route 21, Suite II, following the Worksession at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 by Supervisor Verno with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were

PRESENT: Supervisor Anthony Verno
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

ABSENT: None

Phil Dean, Bette Jenkins, Dan Frey, Austin Jamieson, Wilma Young; Sun & Record and the undersigned Town Clerk was also present.

Supervisor Verno mentioned what the dates were for last years Leaf Drop-off project and said they would discuss it at the next Town Board meeting.

A Presentation was given by Austin Jamieson regarding the Cornell Local Roads Program called CAMP-RS [Cornell Asset Management Program – Roads and Streets]. The purpose of the program is to help municipalities make objective repair and maintenance decisions regarding their road network. The program looks at the road at a network level, and determines the most cost-effective way of maintaining and improving the network as a whole. The Highway Superintendant applied to Cornell to be a part of the program and Mr. Jamieson took the project on as a summer internship, paid by the Town. Mr. Jamieson presented his final report to the Board to use as a tool for maintaining all the roads in Williamson and also for budget purposes.

Public Comment: No one wished to comment.

Supervisor Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to accept and/or file the letters and other forms of communication.

Letter from NYS Dept. of Transportation approval of speed limit reduction to 45 mph
Correspondence from MRB Group

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Watson, to accept the Consent Agenda containing the following items:

- a. previous minutes: July 12, 2016
- b. presentation of the Town Clerk's report
- c. accept the monthly departmental reports

The motion was carried.

Councilman Bixby made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gowan, to direct the Town Clerk to advertise in the official town papers the week of August 14, 2016 to receive applications for the upcoming opening on the Board of Assessment Review. Applications will be accepted until September 9, 2016 at 4:00 PM. The motion was carried.

FYI – Carla Williams, term expires – 9/30/2016

Councilman Bixby presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption. It was seconded by Councilman Gowan.

WHEREAS: Rite Aid Corporation has commenced a proceeding pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law for the year 2016 in Wayne County Supreme Court under index number 79802, and

WHEREAS: The litigation costs of these challenges may be more than the Town can anticipate and afford, the County of Wayne has adopted a policy of participating in the costs and expenses of such litigation and has approved the above litigation for county, town and school participation by resolution 591-15 dated October 20, 2015, and

WHEREAS: Subsequent actions have been commenced by the petitioner for the same property for the year 2015, and

WHEREAS: The prior policy of the County was to include subsequent challenges to the same property without additional resolutions so long as the amounts at issue remained within the parameters set by the County, and

WHEREAS: By e-mail dated July 30, 2014 the County Attorney notified Town Assessor that the resolution was limited by its terms to index number 68622 so that additional resolutions should be obtained to avoid any question of participation, and

WHEREAS: Rite Aid Corporation has filed grievances, after receipt of the decision by members of the Williamson Board of Assessment Review, claiming excessive and unequal values against the assessment for the property listed below and request the following assessment rolls be reviewed, and

2015: Index 78812

Assessment:	\$3,750,100
Grievance:	\$375,010
In dispute:	\$3,375,090

2016: Index 79802

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WHEREAS: The Town of Williamson, the Williamson Central School System and the County of Wayne are all stakeholders in resolving this issue equitably, in accordance with Real Property Tax Law, and

WHEREAS: The County of Wayne has already established minimum standards for participation and permitted change in an assessment challenge,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That all three (3) stakeholders will share equally in litigation costs and associated court fees for this assessment challenge, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That proceedings will involve the County Attorney and Real Property Tax Services Director as consultants regarding appraisals and/or settlement strategies, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Town of Williamson hereby requests approval for county and school participation in this litigation commenced under the index numbers set forth above for the year 2016.

Roll call vote on the Resolution was as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Anthony Verno

Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

NAYES: None

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Councilman Bixby presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption. It was seconded by Councilman Gowan.

WHEREAS: The Code Enforcement Officer has been directed to submit a report to the Town Board detailing unsafe conditions of one abandoned home in Williamson, which is located at 3609 Ridge Road, Property I.D. #65117-10-340619, and

WHEREAS: The Town Board of the Town of Williamson has reviewed said report and determined that the conditions at said property is unsafe and/or dangerous, and is a public nuisance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Board shall hold a Public Hearing on August 25th at 3:00 PM in accordance with Section 135-6 of the Property Nuisance Abatement Code, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk is ordered to advertise in the official Town papers the week of August 14, 2016 for said Public Hearing, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Town Board instructs the Town Supervisor to serve a notice to the owners of said property, in accordance with Section 135-6 that they will be required to attend the Public Hearing and that they have to commence the amelioration of the code violations cited in the code officers report and that remedies must be made no later than 60 days upon service of notice.

Roll call vote on the Resolution was as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Anthony Verno
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

NAYES: None

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Councilman Bixby made a motion, seconded by Councilman Watson, to authorize the Building Inspector to attend a FLBOA Uniform Code Transitional training seminar on August 17, 2016 from 8 AM until 4 PM to be held at the RIT Inn and Conference Center in Henrietta, NY. The cost for the seminar will be \$100.00 with all other actual and necessary expenses a Town charge. The motion was carried.

Supervisor Verno presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption. It was seconded by Councilman Bixby.

WHEREAS: The State of New York has enacted a law establishing the Justice Court Assistance Program, L. 1999, C.280 that will enable communities to apply to the Justice Courts, and

WHEREAS: The availability of grant funding would enhance the ability of the Town Justice Court to provide suitable and sufficient services to the community,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Town Board of the Town of Williamson hereby authorizes the Williamson Town Justice to file an application for a Justice Court Assistance Program grant for the New York State fiscal year ending March 31, 2017, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a certified copy of this resolution will be included

in the grant application.

Roll call vote on the Resolution was as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Anthony Verno
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

NAYES: None

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Bullet proof glass and installed for the court clerk window, file cabinet bookshelf for Judge Stritzel's office

Councilman Gowan made a motion, seconded by Councilman Watson, to direct the Town Clerk to advertise in the official Town papers the week of August 7, 2016 to receive applications for an hourly clerk, to the Town Court to work an avg. of 24 hrs/wk. Applications will be received until August 24, 2016 at 4:00 PM. Applications and job descriptions may be obtained from the Town Clerk's office. The rate of pay will be \$12.50 per hour. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Watson, to direct the Town Clerk to advertise in the official Town papers the week of August 14, 2016 to receive applications for a clerk to the Drainage Council. Applications will be accepted until September 2, 2016 at 4:00 PM. The rate of pay will be \$9.67. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gowan, to approve the disposal of clean fill dirt at property owned by Randy VanSteen at 6506 Salmon Creek Road, Williamson, New York as per the Consent to Entry and Release of Liability Agreement. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to approve the disposal of clean fill dirt at property owned by Jim Koudelka at 7056 Tuckahoe Road, Williamson, New York as per the Consent to Entry and Release of Liability Agreement. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Watson, to approve the disposal of clean fill dirt at property owned by Richard Eaton at 3388 Kenyon Road, Williamson, New York as per the Consent to Entry and Release of Liability Agreement. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gowan, to approve the disposal of clean fill dirt at property owned by Kevin Maylan at 3010 Kenyon Road, Williamson, New York as per the Consent to Entry and Release of Liability Agreement. The motion was carried.

The Board discussed people dropping off brush, garbage and construction debris at the Pound Road Town own property. The Highway Superintendant is getting quotes for the cost of fencing with a gate and the installation of it. The Board agreed to put up signs and close it until future notice other than on Saturday morning when K & D is there for garbage service. They also directed the Town Clerk to advertise the closing in the local papers.

Councilman Orbaker explained the situation regarding a drainage issue from the Middle School on Miller Street onto Maple Avenue. The water in that location drains onto Dr. Michael Herbert's property. He stated that by installing a drop inlet box approximately 24 inches by 24 inches, that would correct the problem. Kurt Allman, Highway Superintendant has received quotes for the project.

Councilman Orbaker presented the following motion, seconded by Councilman Watson to expend monies from the Drainage Fund, not to exceed \$2,300.00 to install a drop inlet box at

the property owned by Dr. Michael Herbert on Maple Avenue per the recommendation from the Drainage Council. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption. It was seconded by Councilman Bixby.

WHEREAS: The Town of Williamson desires to purchase a new 2017 Kenworth, Model T800, 10 wheeler cab & chassis, and

WHEREAS: The General Municipal Law of the State of New York allows for the purchase of municipal equipment from contracts bid by other municipalities, and

WHEREAS: Onondaga County has previously solicited bids for the purchase of various vehicles including the 10 wheeler cab & chassis; and

WHEREAS: Onondaga County has reviewed all bids and has made an award to the lowest responsible bidder which bid award is open to all political subdivisions within the State of New York; and

WHEREAS: The Town of Williamson wishes to purchase a new 2017 Kenworth, Model T800, 10 wheeler cab & chassis, off of the Onondaga County contract #7823;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to purchase a new 2017 cab & chassis off of the Onondaga County contract not to exceed \$119,290 with a 7 year 200,000 mile extended comprehensive engine and after treatment coverage warranty for \$5,275.00 and for such purpose to execute the appropriate documents to complete the purchase of the vehicle, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVE: The total amount of one hundred twenty four thousand five hundred and sixty five dollars (\$124,565) for the cab and chassis will be paid from the Highway Fund Line: Machinery 5130.200.

Roll call vote on the Resolution was as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Anthony Verno
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

NAYES: None

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Councilman Orbaker presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption. It was seconded by Councilman Watson.

WHEREAS: The General Municipal Law of the State of New York allows for the purchase of municipal equipment from contracts bid by other municipalities, and

WHEREAS: Oneida County has previously solicited bids for the purchase of various vehicles and equipment, including the plow equipment for the, Kenworth, Model T800, 10 wheeler cab & chassis, and

WHEREAS: Oneida County has reviewed all bids and has made an award to the lowest responsible bidder, Henderson Equipment, which bid award, is open to all political subdivisions within the State of New York; and

WHEREAS: The Town of Williamson needs to purchase new plow equipment for the new 2017, Kenworth, Model T800, 10 wheeler cab & chassis, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Town Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to purchase new snow plow equipment off of the Oneida County contract not to exceed \$78,990.00 and for such purpose to execute the appropriate documents to complete the purchase of said equipment, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The monies to pay for this new plow equipment shall be paid out of the Highway Fund line 5130.2 Machinery Equip..

Roll call vote on the Resolution was as follows:

AYES: Supervisor Anthony Verno
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman Thomas D. Watson
Councilman Nancy Gowan

NAYES: None

The Resolution was declared adopted.

Supervisor Verno stated the Town received notification of approval from Empire State Development informing the Town Mr. James Weinschreider owner of "Blue Moon Bend, LLC" located at 5149 Middle Road has been awarded a NYS Farmers Grant in the amount of \$20,250 to expand the farm and business. Mr. Weinschreider raises goats.

Supervisor Verno announced Salmon Creek Road to north of Kenyon Road will be closed starting August 15th for the replacement of a culvert. The project has been held up due to the approval from the Army Corp of Engineers.

The County Highway Dept. is planning to do repaving on Ridge Road between Willow Drive and Route 21 sometime in August. This will complete the "Back to School" project.

Supervisor Verno announced the Town Board meeting scheduled for August 23rd, 2016 is cancelled and a Special Board meeting is scheduled for August 25th, 2016 at 3:00 PM.

Public Comment: No one wished to comment.

Supervisor Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to pay the following bills as audited:

Abstract Number: # 13
Voucher #s: 16-762 – 16-838

GENERAL FUND	\$ 21,637.59
HIGHWAY	\$ 32,846.93
WATER	\$ 22,780.76
SEWER	\$ 1,738.29
LIGHTING DIST.	\$ 2,955.42
DRAINAGE DIST.	\$ 7,885.05
GRAND TOTAL:	<u>\$ 89,844.04</u>

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. The motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Marlene A. Gulick
Williamson Town Clerk