AGENDA

Galway Town Board Meeting August 11, 2015 7:30 p.m.

Call to order – Supervisor Lent

Roll Call - Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag - All

Approval of minutes of previous meeting 7/14/15

Communications Received - Town Clerk DeFoe

REPORTS

Town and County – Supervisor Lent
Public Safety – Councilman Wilday
Property – Councilman Arnold
Buildings and Grounds – Councilman Smith
Highway – Superintendent Costanzo
Historian – Phyllis Keeler
Assessor – Victoria Hayner
Code Enforcement – Chet Ciembroniewicz

LIAISON REPORTS

Youth Commission – Councilman Arnold Planning Board – Councilman Wilday Zoning Board of Appeals – Councilman Smith Senior Citizens – Councilmember Grant

Budget Report

Vouchers and Report

- 1. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Fund A Townwide
- 2. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Fund B Town Outside Village
- 3. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Highway Fund DA Townwide
- 4. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Highway Fund DB Town Outside Village
- 5. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Fund SL Lighting District
- 6. Supervisor's Budget Report

RESOLUTIONS

OTHER BUSINESS

Evans Family welcome celebration

Accepting resignations – Spraker-Hall, Orzolek, Bode

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR - OPEN

Executive Session - litigation

<u>ADJOURN</u>

Next meeting September 8, 2015

REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 11, 2015 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Lent called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT:

Supervisor Paul Lent Councilman Rod Wilday

Councilwoman JoAnne Peregrim-Grant

Councilman Fred Arnold Councilman Michael Smith

Others Present: P. Keeler, Historian; E. Keeler; D. Baxter Sr.; M. Baxter; D. Baxter Jr.; B. Jones; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; C. Ciembroniewicz, Building Administrator; M. Pozefsky, Attorney & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2015 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications - Town Clerk stated that Board Members received copies of the following correspondence: Building Department Report covering 7/15 - 8/11/15; Weekly update from the Comptroller dated 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, & 8/9/15; Highway Department Report for July with schedule for August; Notification from NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets that they completed an Inspection Report for Dog Control Officer on 7/8/15 with a satisfactory rating; Dog Control Officer's Report for May, June & July along with Shelter Report for June & July; August Assessor's Report; Invitation from Arlene Rhodes, President of Board of Trustees for the Galway Public Library inviting Board to Sundae Social on August 23rd from 2-5 at the new Library property; NYS Taxation & Finance advising that Galway's Final State Equalization Rate is 58.00; Correction from Susan Sutch on Junes Supervisor's Report with reference to DB spreadsheets; Notification from the Dockstader Charitable Trust that they will be providing \$13,000 in funding for Youth Baseball-Softball Athletic Field Project requested from Town in October of 2014 & Notification from NYS Department of Public Service of Study on State of Telecommunications in NYS also given to Planning Chairman, ZBA Chairman and Zoning Administrator.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: County/Town - Supervisor Lent stated on a Town level he attended the NYS Office of Comptroller School Preparing for Municipal Audit. On July 18th he attended with Councilman Smith "Galway Night" at the Amsterdam Mohawk Baseball Games. On a County level they have received a resignation from the Director of the Animal Shelter so that position is currently open. Public Safety — No Report. Property — No Report. Building & Grounds — No Report. Highway — Nothing in addition to written report. Historian — Phyllis Keeler stated that a family from Virginia visited her requesting her help with a family burial problem. In 1952 the Knolls site

advised the public that they would be relocating 156 burial sites from their facility to other cemeteries within Saratoga County. To date these relocations have not been done. Phyllis contacted Senator Hugh Farley and Congresswoman Alice Stefanic for some guidance on how to address this matter. Phyllis asked the Town Board if they could help point her in the right direction to correct this issue. Supervisor Lent stated that he would take Phyllis's information and contact his representative at the Knolls site. Assessor — Nothing in addition to written report. Code Enforcement — Nothing in addition to written report.

LIAISON REPORTS: Youth - No Report. Planning Board - No Report. ZBA - No Report. Senior Citizens - No Report.

Dan Baxter Sr., President of Senior Citizens thanked Town Board for their generosity with reference to funding. Dan stated in January they had 71 members, at the last meeting they were up to 97 members. Their organization is very active within community. Many trips are planned they have a 9 day trip coming up to Savannah Georgia. Parking for trip was discussed.

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Smith to approve the General Abstract of Vouchers (A) dated 07/01/15 thru 07/31/15 for a total of \$8,826.62.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Smith made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the General Abstract of Vouchers (B) dated 07/01/15 thru 07/31/15 for a total of \$9,526.64.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Wilday made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) dated 07/01/15 thru 07/31/15 for a total of \$8,755.15.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) dated 07/01/15 thru 07/31/15 for a total of \$74,643.04.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Smith to approve the Special District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) dated 7/01/15 thru 7/31/15 for a total of \$172.42.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the Supervisor's Operating Statement for the period ending 7/31/15.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Lent stated that budget process at Town level would begin soon.

RESOLUTION #: 27-2015 – Budget Amendments. Supervisor Lent asked that Councilman Smith explain to the public what funding will be used for on Dockstader grant. Councilman Smith stated that \$3,000 would be used for infield mix and the \$10,000 was for backstop and fencing at the Baseball-Softball Field. On a motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget Amendments:

Increase Increase	B7310.4 B2705	\$ 175.00 \$ 175.00	Youth CE Gifts & Donations (Lioness gift \$100. Lions gift \$75.)
Increase Increase	A7989.4 A2705	\$13,000.00 \$13,000.00	Recreation Field CE Gifts & Donations (Dockstader Trust Grant)
Increase Decrease	A7550.4 A1430.4	\$ 1,000.00 \$ 1,000.00	Celebrations CE (Memorial Day flags by American Legion) Accounting & Personnel CE
Increase Decrease All ayes.	B3620.4 B1990.4	\$ 1,000.00 \$ 1,000.00	Building & Code Enforcement CE Contingency MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 28-2015 — Authorization for up to \$200 if needed for the Evan's Family Welcome Home Celebration. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilwoman Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES — 5 NAYS — 0 RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board authorize up to \$200 if needed for the Evan's Family Welcome Home Celebration to be held on September 6th, to be charged to 7550.4 Celebrations CE.

All eyes.

MOTION CARRIED

<u>RESOLUTION #: 29-2015</u> – Accept resignations. On a motion of Councilwoman Grant, seconded by Councilman Arnold the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES - 5

NAYS - 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board accept the resignation of Sherry Spraker-Hall as Custodian; Michele Orzolek as Deputy Bookkeeper & Kristen Bode as Court Administrative Assistant.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Original resignation letters to be filed with Town Clerk. Councilman Smith questioned if person was hired for custodian position. Supervisor Lent stated that person will start on August 17th, this is an open position under Highway Superintendent Costanzo.

Supervisor Lent stated that the Planning/Zoning Attorney Martin Pozefsky was here to discuss potential litigation issue with Town Board in Executive Session would like him to address current lighting law from 2014. Supervisor Lent stated in 2014 the Town Board approved a Local Law that addressed a number of issues, one of which was lighting. Town was recently involved in a potential Article 78 preceding that didn't materialize. However, they determined that this section of the law needed to be strengthened. Supervisor Lent questioned what Attorney Pozefsky & Attorney Horigan came up with for strengthening tool in this area. Attorney Pozefsky stated that he worked on some potential strengthening issues to address the nuisance lighting issues with reference to the subjective wording we currently have that the courts frown upon. Attorney Pozefsky referenced the usage of foot candle terminology. He suggested that the Town take his draft changes and have an engineer review and determine what the proper foot candle usage should be for law. Supervisor Lent stated that an Electrical Engineer is needed to determine information. Supervisor Lent would like to pass draft on to Electrical Engineer that volunteered to review gratis. Town Board was fine with having Electrical Engineer review. Councilman Arnold stated that Town may need to tighten lighting in Lake District where population is dense. Councilman Smith questioned if zoning regulations addressed Lake District individually. Supervisor Lent stated that Lake District was a separate District in Town's regulations. Went into discussion regarding zoning changes in Town vs. Lake District.

<u>Privilege of the Floor</u> – Tom O'Brien, Dog Control Officer went over issue with coverage by Animal Shelter when he was away for a couple days. Supervisor Lent advised Town Clerk to contact Shelter for pick up of dog if Tom is away. If there is a problem with them picking up dog, she is to contact Town Supervisor and he will contact Shelter. Tom stated that he would be getting his updated shots required for position, may have a small fee attached.

Supervisor Lent stated Galway Reader fall deadline would be September 16, 2015.

<u>RESOLUTION #: 30 – 2015</u> – Authorization for payment to be made to Barnes & Noble before next month's meeting for Summer Recreation purchase. Supervisor Lent stated that Donna Sowle left him a note requesting that invoice be paid to Barnes & Noble for \$73.91 prior to next month's meeting. Councilman Arnold questioned why payment couldn't wait until next month. Town Clerk stated may have late charge if goes beyond 30 days. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Smith the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board wait and pay the Barnes and Noble bill of \$73.91 for summer recreation purchase when paying the vouchers in September.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss potential litigation, Attorney Pozefsky & Code Enforcement Officer were asked to attend.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilwoman Grant the Town Board returned to Regular Session at 9:07 p.m. Supervisor Lent stated no action was taken by the Town Board during Executive Session.

Councilman Smith made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. DeFoe

Town Clerk