

The Town of Fenton Town Board held its regular Work Session on Wednesday, August 22nd, 2018, at 6:00 PM, at the Fenton Town Hall, 44 Park Street, Port Crane, New York.

PRESENT:	Town Board Members	David Hamlin, Supervisor Gary Holcomb, Deputy Supervisor Michael Husar, Councilman Thomas Moss, Councilman
	Highway Superintendent	Randy Ritter
	Town Clerk	Melodie Bowersox
	Administrative Asst./Bookkeeper	Susan Crosier
ABSENT:	Town Board Member	Richard Pray, Councilman
	Town Attorney	Albert Millus, Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT: Planning Board Deputy Chairman John Eldred and 5 members of the General Public

Review Abstract #8, 2018 of August, 2018

- Highway Fund - Town wide: Global Truck Inc. - 3002/1984 Gallon Roller - Voucher #242 - \$5,500.00 – Mr. Moss asked Mr. Holcomb if the Gallon Roller is for paving. Mr. Holcomb replied that it is and that it is a purchase not a rental.
- Highway Fund - Town wide: Cintas Corporation - 4005634817/Uniforms - Voucher #235 - \$81.28 – Mr. Husar asked when the Town will be changing over for the uniform allowance. Mr. Holcomb said the first of the year.
- After a review of the Abstract, **Mr. Husar moved to approve payment of the bills for Abstract #8, 2018**, seconded by Mr. Holcomb. **Motion carried.**

VOTE: Ayes 4 Hamlin, Holcomb, Husar, Moss
Nays 0
Absent 1 Pray

Residents' Time – There were no comments during Residents' Time.

First Budget Meeting – The first Budget Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 6th, 2018, at noon. The Tentative Budget needs to be completed by the end of September and filed with the Town Clerk. The Final Budget is adopted the Wednesday after the Election in November. Several meetings will be held during that time frame to discuss the 2019 Budget.

Resolution #2018-08 – Emergency Repairs Due to Flood Damage – Flooding has occurred in Port Crane due to the recent rainstorms. Since the 2011 floods, the Town has been looking at potential solutions to address the flooding issues. The Town would like to begin working on these issues within the next few weeks. **Mr. Holcomb made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-08:**

WHEREAS, the recent storms have caused considerable damage to the Town's drainage systems, and;

WHEREAS, this damage has caused blockage of certain pipes causing severe flooding in the Hamlet of Port Crane, and;

WHEREAS, this damage has caused open sink holes, and;

WHEREAS, additional small rain events will cause more flooding, and;

WHEREAS, the Town has identified specific repairs need to alleviate this flooding in the future, and;

WHEREAS, time is critical;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this is an emergency within the meaning of Municipal Law 103(4), and;

THAT, identified contractors are on the Broome County Emergency List pursuant to Municipal Law 103(3), and;

THAT, the Town of Fenton Town Board authorizes expenditures for these specific repairs to be approved without competitive bidding by virtue of either or both of the aforesaid provisions of the General Municipal Law, seconded by Mr. Husar. **Motion carried.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Mr. Holcomb aye

Councilman Mr. Husar aye

Councilman Mr. Moss aye

Councilman Mr. Pray absent

Supervisor Mr. Hamlin aye

Mr. Holcomb said that some pipe has been ordered and that Highway Superintendent Randy Ritter is obtaining additional quotes for drop inlets. John Mastronardi of Griffiths Engineering estimates the project will cost \$50,000.00. Mr. Holcomb discussed the anticipated work that will need to be done in the Port Crane area near Fastrac. Mr. Hamlin said that the County is looking into applying for FEMA monies to assist the Towns with repairs. Mike Ponticello of Broome County Emergency Services is looking for a list of homeowners to see how great the need is which Mr. Holcomb and Mr. Moss are working on. Currently John is working with Mike to see if some of the costs will be covered by FEMA.

Further into the meeting, Mr. Holcomb noted that there was reasonable road and drainage damage that occurred on Nowlan Road, Fuller Road, and areas on Palmer Hill Road. The pipe by Ashley's in Port Crane is full but is being cleaned out.

New Zoning and Modifications – The Town Board Members need to send a list of suggested modifications for the proposed new zoning to Atty. Millus so he can make the changes to Local Laws #4 and #5. One line that the Members would like removed is under C of Local Law #4, "Notwithstanding the foregoing, an application for a special use permit may not be denied solely based upon generalized community objections or pressure" even though it is part of State Law. Also, some of the recommendations from the County's 239 Review may be incorporated into

the Local Laws. Setbacks, yards, parking, etc. would be addressed as part of the Special Use Permit and not established in the new Zoning District because each use may have different setbacks, yards, parking, etc. requirements.

County Executive Quarterly Meeting for Towns and Villages – There will be a County Executive Quarterly Meeting for Towns and Villages on August 30th, 2018, at 4 PM. This meeting is to inform Supervisors, Deputy Supervisors, and Mayors of Towns and Villages of the happenings at the County level. Mr. Husar and possibly Mr. Moss will attend the meeting in place of Mr. Hamlin and Mr. Holcomb.

Binghamton Precast Announcement – Mr. Husar said that per the advice of the Attorney, no questions will be addressed regarding the current situation with Binghamton Precast; however, he did explain that recently Atty. David Berger, representative for the Town on the Binghamton Precast case, submitted a statement to Jay Abbey and his Attorney, Alan Pope, indicating that the Town is seeking recovery of Attorney costs, Engineering costs, and potentially a large number of fines for violations that would be up to the Court to determine, with regard to the Binghamton Precast matter. They had hoped to begin discussions between the parties but were served a 'Notice of Claim' by Binghamton Precast and setting the possibility of suing the Town for mistreatment of them. The Public will be further advised as Atty. Berger gives the Town Board permission.

Civic's Unused Dirt on Town Hall Grounds – The Port Crane Civic has not used a pile of dirt that was ordered this year. John Medinosky said that he could use the dirt to fill in some of the areas around the Town Hall grounds. The Town Board agreed to allow John to use it for this purpose.

Roof Leak in Crime Lab – Mr. Moss will discuss the roof leak in the Crime Lab with Town Engineer Rick Armstrong when he returns from vacation.

At 6:37 PM, Mr. Holcomb made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Moss. **Motion carried.**

Melodie A. Bowersox, Town Clerk