

## REGULAR MEETING-ATHENS TOWN BOARD-JUNE 18, 2018

The regular meeting of the Athens Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Robert F. Butler, Jr. on Monday, June 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following people were present: Supervisor Butler; Councilman Michael Ragaini; Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow; Councilman Anthony Paluch; Councilman Richard M. Surrano, Jr. and Deputy Town Clerk Gail Stacey.

The following people were also present: Assessor Carol McBride; Attorney Virginia Benedict; Michael N. Pirrone; Mary DiStefano and videographer Larry Styles.

The following bills were audited by the Board and ordered paid:

**GENERAL ABSTRACT #11**, vouchers #239 through #254 inclusive for **\$19,247.92**

**HIGHWAY ABSTRACT #10**, vouchers #110 through #124 inclusive for **\$15,824.99**

**CAPITAL PROJECTS H ABSTRACT #7**, vouchers #16 through #19 inclusive for **\$48,352.14**

**June 4, 2018 Minutes** were reviewed by the Board.

Councilman Richard M. Surrano, Jr. made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Michael Ragaini.

Ayes-5(Butler;Ragaini;Brandow;Paluch;Surrano) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

**Mary DiStefano** came before the Board with a complaint against the BNB on Thorpe Rd. She was notified by both Councilman Surrano and Supervisor Butler that she should come back on Wednesday to speak with the Code Enforcer and make out a complaint form. She said she would and would bring the pictures she has in regards to the mess that is there and the violations they are committing. She would just like the Rental Law to be enforced.

**Standard Work Day** hours for the offices were discussed. Court hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (M-F); Assessor hours: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (M,T,W,F); Code Enforcement hours: 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (W-F); Bookkeeper hours: 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (M/T) 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (W/Th), No Friday hours. Supervisor Butler would like to see the court hours go back to an 8-4 work day and changing the office hours of the assessor to accommodate a 32 hour work week; will address later in the meeting.

**Highway Garage Update** was given by Supervisor Butler. Contract 1 is closed out, Bishop Beaudry is 100% paid; Contract 2 and 3 will be closed out and Contract 4 has finished their work. Next month everything should be paid.

**Building Update** was given by Supervisor Butler. There is no update as of yet. Engineers are still gathering information and working on plans and concepts.

**Howard Hall Rd. Update** was given by Supervisor Butler. He received a packet from the engineer for the DOT with a list of 8 or 9 projects that are scheduled to start June. Howard Hall Rd. is not scheduled to start until sometime in October and it will be a 3 week project.

**Greene County Hazardous Waste Collection Day** will be on June 30, 2018 at the Greene County Highway Department located on Scott Lane from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

A FOIL request was given to Supervisor Butler for review. He will take care of the matter.

### **Other Town Business:**

-Budget to start soon

-Councilman Anthony Paluch stated that some people that he has spoken with would like to see the 9W go back to commercial zoning. Going North passed Black Horse Farms would not be suggestable, maybe going as far as the County building (Scott Lane).Supervisor Butler asked Councilman Paluch to bring the zoning maps in for the next scheduled meeting in July.

With no further business to come before the Board, Councilman Richard M. Surrano, Jr. made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Michael Ragaini. (7:25 p.m.)

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Councilman Richard M. Surrano made a motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Michael Ragaini. (7:50 p.m.)

Ayes-5(Butler;Ragaini;Brandow;Paluch;Surrano) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

Councilman Anthony Paluch made a motion to go back into Regular Session, seconded by Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow.

Standard Work Day Hours were discussed with Councilwoman Brandow as she had to leave earlier in the meeting to take care of an important matter. Councilwoman Brandow will discuss changing the hours of the Assessor's office with Assessor Carol McBride. Discussion will follow at next scheduled Board meeting in July.

In regards to Jones, Hacker, & Murphy in the litigation case, Councilman Michael Ragaini made a motion to move forward, seconded by Councilwoman Mary H. Brandow.

Ayes-5(Butler;Ragaini,Brandow,Paluch;Surrano) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0

With no further business, Councilman Michael Ragaini made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Richard M. Surrano. (8:00 p.m.)

Ayes-5(Butler;Ragaini;Brandow;Paulch;Surrano) Noes-0 Absent-0 Abstentions-0