

Town of Murray Board Meeting

May 9, 2017

Present: Supervisor John Morriss, Councilmen Ed Bower, Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel and Bob Miller, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Attorney Jeff Martin, Code Enforcement Officer Ron Vendetti, Stan Kemp, Tim Wells, Cade Aina, Blake Aina, Joe Sidonio, Ian Berg, Elaine Berg, Dennis Piedmonte, Doug Piedmonte, Neil Valentine, Dean Penna, Ted Karpenko, Shirley Bader, Tim Bader, Dave Piedmonte

Pledge to the flag.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Miller approving the April meeting minutes as submitted Motion Carried

Code Enforcement/Zoning

Ron informed all of the approval of a \$2,500 grant for adopting the unified solar permit. Ron thanked Councilman Miller for helping put the grant together and also thanked Supervisor Morriss and Councilman Hendel for attending the code enforcement training pertaining to commercial solar energy with him. Because of the time they have spent on this, the Town of Murray will probably be eligible for a \$100,000 grant.

Ron gave all a copy of proposed Town of Murray Local Law No. 2 of 2017 entitled *A Local Law Amending the Town Code to Establish a New Chapter 130 Entitled 'Solar Energy Systems and Facilities', and to Amend the Schedule of Use Regulations to Provide for those Facilities* and a copy of proposed Town of Murray Local Law No. 3 of 2017 entitled *A Local Law Requiring the Owner of a Property which Includes a Solar Farm Energy System Approved Pursuant to the Provisions of Chapter 130 of the Town Code to Enter into a Contract for Payment in Lieu of Taxes*. Ron hopes the Board will introduce these proposed local laws this evening and then schedule a public hearing on both of these laws.

New Business

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Miller introducing Local Law No. 2 of 2017 entitled *A Local Law Amending the Town Code to Establish a New Chapter 130 Entitled 'Solar Energy Systems and Facilities', and to Amend the Schedule of Use Regulations to Provide for those Facilities* Motion Carried

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Christ introducing Local Law No. 3 of 2017 entitled *A Local Law Requiring the Owner of a Property which Includes a Solar Farm Energy System Approved Pursuant to the Provisions of Chapter 130 of the Town Code to Enter into a Contract for Payment in Lieu of Taxes.*"

Motion Carried

The public hearing is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on June 13th. The regular board meeting will immediately follow the public hearing. Cindy will post both proposed local laws on the website. Jeff will place legal notice in the paper.

Brief discussion of property owned by Roy Kenyon. Two building lots on the west side of Route 31. Mr. Kenyon would like to deed the land to the Town. Jeff would like to look into this further as far as the Town taking title to it and selling it to raise money. He will request a formal opinion from the Controller's office before any decisions are made. Item tabled until further notice.

Attorney

Jeff informed all that Local law no. 1 of 2017 is now filed and in effect.

Jeff has taken care of filing the resolution adopted by the Town Board on May 3rd establishing Water District No. 3, extension No. 1.

Town Clerk

April receipts totaled \$1,310.20 with \$1,209.41 going into the general fund. Collection of county and town taxes ended April 30th. Unpaid taxes along with all reconciliation papers will be brought to the County Treasurer's office at the end of the week. Cindy will have a year-end tax report for the Board next month.

Public Comments

Among the topics discussed were the installation of water pipe and water leaks along Ridge Road. Leaks are being found with the use of new listening equipment that allows leaks to be detected in plastic pipe. The Highway Superintendent's attendance at Town Board meetings is not a requirement as he is an elected official. As he is better suited to answer questions regarding water issues, it was suggested that questions be submitted in advance so the Board can have a response to inquiries.

Before approving the bills for payment, Councilman Hendel questioned why we are paying a 2016 water bill from the Town of Gaines now. Supervisor Morriss informed him that our Water Department has been calling and emailing the Town of Gaines requesting a bill and after months of asking, they finally sent it a couple weeks ago.

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Bower approving the Supervisor's financial report and that the following bills be paid:

Motion Carried

General Fund	Claims 116-144	\$23,403.30
Highway Fund	Claims 54-63	\$5,278.99
Water District No. 1	Claims 8-9	\$309.01
Water District No. 2	Claims 14-16	\$392.43
Water District No. 3	Claim 6	\$40.75
Water District No. 4	Claim 7	\$12.56
Water District No. 5	Claims 5-6	\$65.08
Water District No. 6	Claims 19-22	\$537.70
Water District No. 7	Claim 6	\$38.55
Water District No. 8	Claim 5	\$27.87
Water District No. 9	Claim 5	\$9.77
Water District No. 10	Claims 10-11	\$16.13
Water District No. 11	Claims 23-25	\$111.96
Water District No. 12	Claim 5	\$11.96
Water District No. 13	Claim 5	\$12.10
Water District No. 14	Claims 3-5	\$556.95
Water District No. 15	Claim 8	\$27.18
Water District No. 20	Claim 3	\$445.00

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Miller that the Board enter into executive session to discuss proposed litigation and possible appointment Motion Carried

Board entered into executive session at 7:45 P.M.

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Hendel that the board return to regular session with no action taken Motion Carried

Board returned to regular session at 8:25 P.M.

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Christ appointing Eric Collyer to the Town of Murray Zoning Board of Appeals to fill a vacancy left by Christopher Chilson. Motion Carried

Eric will serve the remainder of Chris Chilson's term which expires on 12/31/2018.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Miller to adjourn the meeting Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver