

Town of Ledyard  
Monthly Meeting  
September 10, 2018

A monthly meeting of the Ledyard Town Board, County of Cayuga in the State of New York was held on the 10th day of September, 2018 at the Ledyard Town Hall, 1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026 at 7:00 pm.

**PRESENT:** Mark Jordan, Supervisor  
John Binns, Councilman  
Dan Green, Councilman  
Jim Frisch, Councilman  
Scott Heinekamp, Councilman  
Stephan Arnold, Superintendent of Highways  
Jamie Bailey, Town Clerk

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**  
10 guests

**PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS**

Supervisor, Jordan called the meeting to order at 7:04pm with the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence to remember our troops.

**FIBER OPTIC**

New Visions Communications, President/CEO, Carmen Branca spoke regarding their fiber optic plans for the area. New Visions applied for a grant approximately a year and a half ago. The state awarded them about 400 miles. The state has provided them with census blocks for where this will be installed due to a reverse auction. New Visions needs to install where the state awarded them first. As residents call New Visions to express their interest, New Visions will keep a record and will be able to build off from the census block that the state awarded them once that portion is completed. New Visions go to the Towns, Villages, State, and Counties for all required permits.

New Visions can provide internet, phone, and/or television for a minimum of \$89 a month. This is a first 1yr rate and can increase a maximum of \$20 in year 2. There is also a \$49.00 set up charge.

BonsBak, from Truxton is New Visions contractor. These fiber optic lines get buried in between the ditch and road side approx. 3-4' deep. There is a great concern regarding the roads, future repairs to the roads, culvert pipes and tile lines. This will involve a lot of communication between New Visions, Town Supervisor, and Highway Superintendent.

**RENEWABLE ENERGY / COMMUNITY SOLAR**

Yushi Kawasumi from Nexamp explained how they are working to bring 50% of renewable energy to New York State. They construct a facility and feed the NYSEG grids with renewable energy through Solar Fields. In exchange for them putting renewable energy into the grid, NYSEG gives Nexamp "credits". Nexamp asked the Town if they would like to utilize some of these credits. The town currently has 3 NYSEG accounts, 2 of these accounts can be used for the NYSEG credit. The Town would receive a 10% discount (guaranteed for 20yrs) on the Levanna Street Lighting and building electricity. Nexamp just completed a Solar Energy Field in Newfield (6 megawatt facility) and in the process of creating another field in the Seneca Region. No plans to do another Solar Energy Field in the area, at this time. No cost to join or contracts but a 3 month courtesy notice is appreciated. 80% residents cannot put up traditional roof top solar panels. These farms will service those residents.

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Nexamp is asking that we help NYS in reaching its goal, support renewable energy and utilize the monetary incentive. Mr. Kawasumi left a contract for the Councilman to review and sign.

**SCIPIO VENICE LEDYARD FIRE DISTRICT**

Town of Venice Councilman, Steff McGonagl spoke to the board regarding a long existing problem within the Scipio Venice Ledyard Fire District. The Scipio Fire Dept. wishes to leave the Scipio Venice Ledyard Fire District and be on their own to serve the residents of the Scipio district and redraw the service line to match the town line. This decision by Scipio has been made due to safety, training, and personality differences.

New District to be created needs to go to a vote and a majority of the citizens need to approve this decision.

Will everyone who is currently being served, going to be served if this is changed?

Will everyone be serviced at the same level?

There are residents that this will effect if the fire district lines are redrawn, there for a fire company will be further away. This will also increase taxes as well.

**RESOLUTION 1-2018**

The Ledyard Town Board hereby endorses the Resolution entitled: *“Joint Statement of the Members of the Town Board of The Town Of Venice regarding removal of The Town Of Scipio from The Scipio Venice Ledyard Fire District”* with attached exhibits adopted by the Venice Town Board on **September 8, 2016**.

<b>Motion By:</b>	Councilman, Heinekamp
<b>Seconded By:</b>	Councilman, Green
<b>Motion Carried</b>	
4 Ayes	Binns, Frisch, Green, Heinekamp
0 Nays	

**PLANNING BOARD**

Planning board chair, Ross informed the board that the Village of Aurora has withdrawn their request to be lead agency for the Inns of Aurora Spa. The planning board is currently awaiting letter from the commissioner. All the Planning Board members went through the SEQR and corrected all discrepancies. The State historical preservation officer will do an inspection on all buildings. Once this report is received, The Inns of Aurora can proceed. Letters of intent were sent to all involved agencies. Once SEQR is passed, a Special Permit needs to be passed with a public hearing. October 10<sup>th</sup> is a tentative date to pass the SEQR.

Regarding the Special Permit that was being requested (August 2018 meeting). The resident is applying for a Special Permit for an Accessory Apartment. *(Sometimes called an in-law apartment) is a separate independent dwelling unit installed as part of a single-family home, converting the home into two units. The accessory unit is a full, self-contained dwelling unit (includes a kitchen), is typically smaller than the "primary" part of the home, and can be created in a variety of ways).* This will eventually be added to the Zoning Law.

**BIDS**

**BUILDING ADDITION**

Supervisor, Jordan

Three full bids were received from the following:

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<u>Name of Bidder</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bella Faccia Construction Llc.	125 Lake Rd., Elmira, NY	\$324,680.88
*Bouley Associates, Inc.	265 Genessee St., Auburn, NY	\$256,000.00
<i>Bouley Associates, Inc.</i>	<i>265 Genessee St., Auburn, NY</i>	<i>\$217,000.00</i>
<i>Sub-Contractor (Plumbing)</i>	<i>Lilly Plumbing</i>	<i>\$18,000.00</i>
<i>Sub-Contractor (Electric)</i>	<i>Knapp Electric</i>	<i>\$21,000.00</i>
Complete Construction Concepts Llc. (WITHOUT BASEWORK)	137 South Main St., Homer, NY	\$276,883.00
BB Mechanicals (Partial) (HVAC & Electric only)	2621 Townline Rd. Scipio, NY	(Electric) \$16,400.00 (HVAC) \$29,500.00

A meeting will be scheduled with Bouley Associates, Gary Bush from SPEC consulting and members of the board for clarification.

**HIGHWAY DEPT.**

Highway Superintendent, Arnold informed the board that a door to the garage needed to be repaired due to an employee accidently hitting the wrong button causing another door to come down on a truck. There are no sensors on the door. There is a \$250.00 insurance deductible. A quote from Genson's overhead door was received in the amount of approximately \$1300.00. 2 panels need to be replaced. Rotary Boom Mower should be here soon. The monthly cost should be around \$6,000.00.

**WEBSITE**

Clerk Bailey did a presentation of the new website that will be managed by the clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** To approve the July minutes

**Motion By:** Councilman, Green

**Seconded By:** Councilman, Binns

**Motion Carried**

    3 Ayes           Binns, Green, Heinekamp

    0 Nays

    1 Abstention   Frisch

**Motion:** To approve the August minutes

**Motion By:** Councilman, Frisch

**Seconded By:** Councilman, Green

**Motion Carried**

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3 Ayes            Frisch, Green, Heinekamp  
0 Nays  
1 Abstention    Binns

**APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

**Motion:** To approve the Supervisor, Clerk, and Code Enforcement Report

**Motion By:** Councilman, Frisch

**Seconded By:** Councilman, Green

**Motion Carried**

4 Ayes            Binns, Frisch, Green, Heinekamp  
0 Nays

**PAY BILLS**

Clerk Bailey informed the board that the direct energy supplier was removed from the NYSEG Account. Clerk Bailey also included the IO Cayuga Lake Watershed voucher with the bills for discussion and communication regarding Councilman, Heinekamp and Frisch's meeting on the Teal.

The bills contained on Abstract #9 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts: Abstract #009, #209-226; **A**=\$2,469.56; **B**=\$113.23; **DA**=\$0; **DB**=\$676.99

**Motion:** to pay the bills

**Motion By:** Councilman, Binns

**Seconded By:** Councilman, Green

**Motion Carried**

4 Ayes            Biins, Frisch, Green, Heinekamp  
0 Nays

**ADJOURN**

**Motion to Adjourn @ 9:53pm**

**Motion By:** Councilman, Binns

**Seconded By:** Councilman, Green

**Motion Carried**

4 Ayes            Binns, Frisch, Green, Heinekamp  
0 Nays

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Bailey, Ledyard Town Clerk