

6:45 PM Public Hearing Local Law # 7 of 2018

Supervisor Lyons declared the public hearing on Local Law #7 of 2018 known as “**A Local Law modifying the Berne Town Code related to the Town of Berne Switzkill Farm Board**” open with the following members present; Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow & Willsey. Supervisor Lyons opened the floor to guests: after public comment from residents, Supervisor Lyons closed the public hearing at 6:59 PM.

REGULAR MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Berne was held on the above date with the following officers present: Supervisor Lyons, Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow & Willsey. Also present were Town Clerk Clayton, Attorney Conboy, and several interested citizens. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Lyons who then called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and on motion of Supervisor Lyons and seconded by Councilmember Schimmer, the minutes of 10/10/18 were accepted with the following members voting aye; Supervisor Lyons; Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow & Willsey; and on motion of Supervisor Lyons and seconded by Councilmember Schimmer, the minutes of 11/07/18 were accepted with the following members voting aye; Supervisor Lyons; Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow & Willsey.

PRESENTATION FROM SHERIFF CRAIG D. APPLE, SR. – Sheriff Apple discussed the growing opioid crises and the need to be educated on administering Narcan and Deputy Sheriff Amy Kowalski will have a demonstration on administering Narcan and will hand out kits at the Town Board meeting on 12/12/18.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Councilmember Palow asked about procedures for entering into Executive Session. Discussion was had regarding Code Enforcement hours and duties along with the financial sustainability of the job.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Several citizens spoke regarding matters in the Town and before the Board.

DEPARTMENT/LIAISON REPORTS

HIGHWAY- Highway Superintendent Bashwinger reported that the GPS system has saved the town \$900 for towing charges as they get 4 free tows per truck. Highway Superintendent Bashwinger discussed the need for a new truck and handed packets out with pricing, also it will take 10 months to receive a truck.

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SENIORS – Councilmember Jordan stated the seniors had their Thanksgiving Dinner at the Berne Reformed Church on 11/10/18 and the next meeting will be 12/8/18.

PLANNING & ZONING – Councilmember Jordan reported that the ZBA met on 10/17/18 to declare Helderberg Christian School Special Use Permit complete and sent it to the Planning Board for site review; will come back to ZBA for Public Hearing on 12/19/18. The Planning Board met on 11/1/18; held public hearing from subdivision & site plan for Dollar General; received ZBA request for site visit for HCS; 2 requests for historic reviews; subdivision for Pinnacle Rd; Mark Sengenberger is working on guidance documents and updated forms; newest SEQRA information was send to members; members requested printed code books.

YOUTH COUNCIL – Councilmember Palow reported that the Trunk or Treat was very successful with 6 vehicles and 30 children attending. Hot dogs and apple cider were served.

SWITZKILL FARM – Councilmember Schimmer reported that the Boo Bash was a great event; the board is working on 2019 calendar and updating fee schedule. Mark Hohengasser is gathering information on the Long Trail to go into the Switzkill Farm trails. Next meeting is 12/4/18.

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM - Councilmember Schimmer reported that 17-18 people participate in Tai Chi; Started a Healthier You program; information is available for SNAP and will set up a registry for people in need when there is an emergency. The Sheriff’s office also can provide wrist bands with the Project Lifesaver.

CONSERVATION BOARD – Councilmember Willsey stated Supervisor Lyons has been proactive with supporting the Conservation Board’s efforts to explore LED street lighting in Berne. Documents to be reviewed at next board meeting are NYPA authorization to proceed and Master Cost Recovery agreement; Mr. Schwendeman is working with National Grid to get a street light purchase estimate; there was discussion of a charging station for an electric vehicle and possibly purchase one for the Town.

LIBRARY – Kathy Stempel spoke regarding activities at the Library.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- AUD for 2017 has been finalized and is on file with the Town Clerk
- The Berne Reformed Church will have a Blood Drive on 11/27 from 1-6PM

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OLD BUSINESS

APPOINTING ALEXIS GOLDSMITH AS PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

Councilmember Palow stated he had concerns with this appointment. Councilmember Palow submitted documentation to be recorded as part of the record. Documentation is on file with the Town Clerk. This matter has been tabled.

AUTHORIZING TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR PLANNING BOARD MEMBER AND ALTERNATE

After discussion Supervisor Lyons made a motion seconded by Councilmember Palow to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for a Planning Board member and alternate and to schedule interviews on December 1, 2018 beginning at 9am. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Supervisor Lyons, Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow and Willsey.

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW #7 OF 2018

“Local Law modifying the Berne Town Code related to the Town of Berne Switzkill Farm Board”

The following resolution was offered and moved by Supervisor Lyons and seconded by Councilmember Schimmer:

WHEREAS Local Law #7 of 2018 known as **“A Local Law Modifying the Berne Town Code related to the Town of Berne Switzkill Farm Board”** has been introduced by the Town Board of the Town of Berne and a public hearing has been duly called and held, **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Berne hereby adopts **LOCAL LAW #7 of 2018** of the Town of Berne known as **“A Local Law Modifying the Berne Town Code related to the Town of Berne Switzkill Farm Board”**. The resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: Supervisor Lyons & Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow and Willsey.....Aye.

AUTHORIZING TOWN CLERK TO POST SEASONAL ROAD CLOSURE

After discussion, Councilmember Palow made a motion seconded by Supervisor Lyons authorizing the Town Clerk to post the seasonal road closure with the Altamont Enterprise and on the official board for the Town Hall. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Supervisor Lyons and Councilmembers Palow. Councilmembers Schimmer and Jordan abstained; Councilmember Willsey voted nay. Said road closure is attached the these minutes.

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ADOPTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR WEDDINGS AT SWITZKILL FARM

After discussion, Councilmember Schimmer made a motion seconded by Supervisor Lyons to adopt the fee schedule for weddings at Switzkill Farm. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Supervisor Lyons, Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow and Willsey. Said fee schedule is attached to these minutes.

ADOPTING FINAL BUDGET OF 2019

Supervisor Lyons stated that the budget hearing for the 2019 budget was held on November 7, 2018 and that the preliminary budget was presented and discussed. **WHEREUPON**, Councilmember Schimmer offered and moved the following resolution seconded by Councilmember Jordan: **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Berne does hereby accept and adopt the final budget with the following changes:

A1010E 44042	change to	\$ 3,085.00
A1010E 44047	change to	\$ 4,780.00
A1110E 10150	change to	\$19,962.00
A1220E 44039	change to	\$ 400.00
A1330E 11175	change to	\$ 7,073.00
A1355E 12230	change to	\$13,637.00
A1355E 12255	change to	\$12,614.00
A1355E 12256	change to	\$ 7,648.00
A1620E 11165	change to	\$ 3,060.00
A1620E 17230	change to	\$49,424.00
A1620E 44022	change to	\$10,000.00
A1620E 44024	change to	\$ 1,000.00
A1620E 44041	change to	\$14,115.00
A1620E 44070	change to	\$ 500.00
A1620E 44071	change to	\$ 500.00
A1620E 44253	change to	\$ 1,000.00
A1990E 44999	change to	\$18,805.00
A3510E 11170	change to	\$ 6,509.00
A3620E 11150	change to	\$29,640.00
A5010E 44045	change to	\$ 3,400.00
A7110E 22300	change to	\$ 2,000.00
A7110E 22700	change to	\$10,000.00
A7110E 44022	change to	\$ 2,000.00
A7110E 44253	change to	\$ 0.00
A7111E 44100	change to	\$ 4,000.00
A7111E 44253	change to	\$ 0.00
A7510E 11060	change to	\$ 300.00
A7510E 44039	change to	\$ 200.00
A7510E 44999	change to	\$ 100.00
A7989E 44100	change to	\$ 3,000.00
A7989E 44999	change to	\$ 1,100.00

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GENERAL FUND, HIGHWAY FUND & SEWER 2018.....\$57,320.00
ABSTRACT#111418.....\$57,320.00

Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Supervisor Lyons and Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow & Willsey.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, Councilmember Schimmer made the motion seconded by Supervisor Lyons to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Supervisor Lyons and Councilmembers Schimmer, Jordan, Palow & Willsey.
Meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Anita C. Clayton, Town Clerk

Seasonal Roads

December 1, 2018 through April 15, 2019

Duck Hill Rd. from 300' east of Gulf Hill to Town of New Scotland line.

Gulf Hill Rd. from one-quarter mile south of NYS Route 443(Helderberg Trail) and NYS Route 85(Delaware Turnpike) to one-half mile north of Duck Hill Rd.

West Woodstock Rd. from County Route 2(Cole Hill Rd.) to one-half mile north of Switzkill Rd.

Beaver Rd. from one-quarter mile north of Bradt Hollow Rd. to County Route 13(Sickle Hill Rd.)

Shultes Rd from Cook Hill Rd. to one-half mile north of Peasley Rd.

Partridge Run Rd. from one quarter mile west of County Route 1 Switzkill Rd.) to County Route 6(Ravine Rd.)

Smokey Hollow Rd. from one-quarter mile west of NYS Route 85 (Delaware Turnpike) to one-half mile east of Joslyn School Road.

Wood Rd. from intersection of Peasley Rd. to the Town of Rensselaerville line.

Dyer Rd.

Cook Hill Rd. from two miles west of Bradt Hollow Rd. to 500' east of County Route 10 (Huntersland Rd.)

Stage Rd. from 182 Stage Rd. west to the intersection of 1490 Helderberg Trail.