

Minutes of the Town Board for March 5, 2019

TOWN OF PITTSFORD TOWN BOARD MARCH 5, 2019

Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Pittsford Town Board held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. local time in Town Hall, Lower Level Meeting Room.

PRESENT: Supervisor William A. Smith, Jr.; Councilpersons Kevin Beckford, Katherine B. Munzinger, Matthew J. O'Connor and Stephanie Townsend.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Staff Members: Paul J. Schenkel, Commissioner of Public Works; Jessie Hollenbeck, Recreation Director; Robert B. Koegel, Town Attorney; Linda M. Dillon, Town Clerk, Suzanne Reddick, Assistant to Supervisor and Shelley O'Brien, Communications Director.

ATTENDANCE: There were eighteen (18) members of the public in attendance, as well as four (4) additional staff member(s) and an interpreter.

Supervisor Smith called the Town Board meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Thereafter, the Town Clerk noted those members present and the Supervisor invited Councilwoman Townsend to lead all in the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Smith welcomed Monroe County Legislator Howard Maffucci, who was present and had a report on a matter concerning Pittsford. Legislator Maffucci reported that the County Legislature recently considered and approved \$2.5 million in funding for rehabilitation of Mendon Center Road, between Canfield Road and Calkins Road. He reported that, upon inquiry, he learned that the County had been in contact and discussion with the Town with regard to this project. He cited this as a fine example of intergovernmental partnership and cooperation. He noted that the project will increase the road shoulders from 4' to 5', as the Town had requested. This will allowing a larger area sufficient to accommodate bicycles. He regretted that the wider shoulders cannot be signposted as dedicated bike paths under applicable rules for such signage and marking, but that, nevertheless, the wider pathways accommodating bikes are consistent with the goals of Pittsford's joint Town-Village Active Transportation Plan.

MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 25, 2019 APPROVED

A Resolution to approve the Meeting Minutes of the February 25, 2019 was offered by Councilman O'Connor, seconded by Councilwoman Townsend, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: None.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Meeting Minutes of the February 25, 2019 are approved as written.

LEGAL MATTERS

PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2019 – REDUCE SPEED LIMIT IN KILBOURN ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD

Supervisor Smith reviewed the proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2019, which would reduce the speed limit in the Kilbourn Road neighborhood, near Oak Hill Country Club, from 30 mph to 25 mph. Thereafter, the Supervisor opened the Public Hearing, inviting anyone wishing to speak on this proposed Local Law to do so. No one asked to speak. Supervisor Smith then closed the Public Hearing.

Councilman O'Connor confirmed with Commissioner Schenkel that the signs reducing the speed are ready for installation, which will take place as soon as the weather breaks.

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Councilwoman Townsend reported that the residents that she has spoken to within that neighborhood are all in support of this proposed Local Law.

Upon inquiry from Councilman O'Connor, Supervisor Smith added that he has been in contact with the Sheriff's department and has been informed that the Sheriff's department intends to pay special attention to patrolling this neighborhood for several weeks. After the initial period the special attention patrols will resume a few weeks later. This pattern will repeat as a way of accustoming those driving in the neighborhood that the Sheriff is paying attention to traffic enforcement in the neighborhood.

Following brief discussion, a motion was offered by Supervisor Smith to approve Local Law No. 1 of 2019 to reduce the speed limit in the Kilbourn Road Neighborhood from 30 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour, seconded by Councilwoman Townsend, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

WHEREAS, true and correct copies of proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2019: Amending §145-5 of Pittsford Municipal Code to set a 25 mph speed limit on Kilbourn Road, Overbrook Road, Stoneleigh Court, Maywood Avenue and Ellingwood Drive, were placed upon the desks of all members of the Town Board of the Town of Pittsford, New York, more than seven (7) calendar days, exclusive of Sunday, prior to the 5th day of March, 2019; and

WHEREAS, there was duly published in a newspaper previously designated as an official newspaper for publication of public notices, and posted upon the bulletin board maintained by the Town Clerk pursuant to § 40(6) of the Town Law, a notice of public hearing to the effect that the Town Board would hold a public hearing on the 5th day of March, 2019, at 6:00 P.M., Local Time, at the Town Hall, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, New York, on said Local Law No. 1 of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the said public hearing was duly held on the 5th day of March, 2019, at 6:00 P.M., Local Time, at the Town Hall, Pittsford, New York, and all persons present were given an opportunity to be heard, whether speaking in favor of or against the adoption of said Local Law No. 1 of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is a Type 2 Action in accordance with 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(22) of the SEQRA Regulations; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the closing of said public hearing, and after all persons interested had been heard, the Town Board considered the adoption of said Local Law No. 1 of 2019; and

WHEREAS, it was the decision of the Town Board that said Local Law No. 1 of 2019 should be adopted.

NOW, on a motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 1 of 2019: Amending §145-5 of the Code of the Town of Pittsford, be adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Pittsford, New York, to read as annexed hereto; and it was further

RESOLVED, that within twenty (20) days subsequent to the 5th day of March, 2019, there shall be filed with the Secretary of State one certified copy of said Local Law No. 1 of 2019.

The following is a copy of the adopted Local Law No. 1 of 2019:

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE
TOWN BOARD OF THE
TOWN OF PITTSFORD
NEW YORK
AS FOLLOWS:**

**LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2019:
AMENDING §145-5 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PITTSFORD TO SET A
25 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON KILBOURN ROAD, OVERBROOK ROAD,
STONELEIGH COURT, MAYWOOD AVENUE, AND ELLINGWOOD DRIVE**

Sec. 1 Title

This Local Law shall be known as “Local Law No. 1 of 2019: Amending §145-5 of The Code of the Town of Pittsford to set a 25 mph speed limit on Kilbourn Road, Overbrook Road, Stoneleigh Court, Maywood Avenue, and Ellingwood Drive.”

Sec. 2 Amendments to Existing Law

The Code of the Town of Pittsford, Chapter 145, Article II, shall be amended to revise §145-3 to read as follows:

§ 145-5. Special-hazard zones.

Except when a special hazard exists that requires lower speed for compliance with § 145-2B, it shall be unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle in the Town at a speed in excess of the following speeds on the streets or parts of streets listed below:

Name of Street	Maximum Speed (mph)
Allen Parkway	25
Alpine Drive	25
Bedford Way	25
Beech Road	25
Brook Road	25
Burncoat Way	25
Buttermilk Hill Road	25
Crestline Road	25
Crestview Drive	25
Cricket Hill Drive	25
Croft Road	25
East Brook Road	25
East Park Road	25
Ellingwood Drive	25
Hearthstone Road	25
Hilltop Drive	25
Kilbourn Road	25
Knobb Hill Drive	25

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Name of Street	Maximum Speed (mph)
Long Meadow Circle	25
Maywood Avenue	25
Meadow Wood Circle	25
Mitchell Road	25
Overbrook Road	25
Reitz Circle	25
Reitz Parkway	25
Sandpiper Lane	25
Schoen Road	25
School Lane	25
Shelwood Road	25
Sheridan Court	25
Smead Road	25
Standish Way	25
Stoneleigh Court	25
Sunset Boulevard	25
West Brook Road	25
Woodland Road	25

Sec. 3 Severability

If any clause, sentence, phrase, paragraph or any part of this Local Law shall for any reason be adjudicated finally by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Local law, but shall be confined in its operation and effect to the clause, sentence, phrase, paragraph or part thereof, directly involved in the controversy or action in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that the remainder of this Local Law would have been adopted had any such provision been excluded.

Sec. 4 Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

ACCEPTANCE OF OPEN SPACE APPROVED

The Town has received an Offer of Dedication of land as open space from Bridleridge Farms, LLC for a parcel of approximately 29.82 acres of land. The land is located on the west side of Clover Street near its intersection with Canfield Road. The Town Assessor has confirmed that by taking ownership of this land, the Town will forgo One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in Town property tax revenue annually. The Town Attorney has reviewed the necessary related documents and recommends that the Town Board accept the proposed dedication.

Councilman O'Connor confirmed with Commissioner Schenkel that this parcel will remain open space and that no maintenance will be necessary or done on this particular parcel.

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Thereafter, a motion was offered by Councilwoman Townsend to accept the offer of land dedication, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Munzinger, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The following Resolution was declared carried as follows:

WHEREAS, Bridleridge Farms, LLC., by "Offer of Dedication of Public Land", dated February 6, 2019, has offered to dedicate one (1) parcel of land in the Town of Pittsford, Monroe County, New York, consisting of approximately 29.820 acres, as shown on a drawing prepared by BME Associates entitled, "Bridleridge Farms, Section 1, Subdivision Plat," dated January 2018, and such Offer has been presented to the Town Board of the Town of Pittsford, and it appearing therefrom to the satisfaction of the Town Board that the lands so offered for dedication have been and are properly surveyed and mapped and should be accepted as Lands of said Town, and that all claims for damage have been properly released;

NOW, on Motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pittsford does hereby consent that the aforesaid land, located in the Town of Pittsford, Monroe County, New York, and as more particularly described as set forth on "Schedule A" of the Offer, be accepted in dedication as open space; and be it further

RESOLVED, that any taxes that are currently due or will become due on said parcels of land, as a result of the assessment roll in effect at the time of this acceptance, shall be the responsibility of the grantor dedicating the parcel of land to the Town.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

BUDGET TRANSFER APPROVED

A Resolution to approve the proposed Budget Transfer was offered by Deputy Supervisor Munzinger, seconded by Councilman O'Connor, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that the following budget transfer is approved:

That \$9,000.00 be transferred from account 1.9950.9000.1.1 (Transfer to Capital – Expense) to the Turf Field Capital Account per contract with the Pittsford Central School District.

OPERATIONAL MATTERS

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEWER DISTRICT EXTENSION JH-156

Following a brief description and explanation by Commissioner Schenkel of both Sewer District Extension requests by individual homeowners, a Resolution to set a public hearing to consider the matter of a request by petitioners Gregory and Colby Finn, of 159 South Main Street, to connect to the Town's Sanitary Sewers, was offered by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Councilman O'Connor, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The following Resolution was declared carried as follows:

WHEREAS, a Petition, signed by the sole joint owners, Gregory P. and Colby Finn, of the proposed "Extension JH-156" to the Pittsford Sewer District, has been presented to the Town Board of Pittsford, Monroe County, New York, the said proposed Extension being located, in general terms, on the real property located at 159 S. Main Street, Pittsford, New York, all as is more particularly set forth in the Petition; and

WHEREAS, no public monies are proposed to be expended for the Extension of the District; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated Sewer Entrance, Connection and other County Fees to be paid by the owner of each unit within the Extension, in the first year following the proposed Extension, are in the aggregate amount of \$531.98;

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NOW, ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it is

RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that a public hearing be held before the Town Board of the Town of Pittsford, at the Town of Pittsford Town Hall, on the 2nd day of April, 2019 at 6:00 o'clock P.M., Local Time, to consider the said Petition and to hear all persons interested therein, and for such other and further action on the part of the Town Board with relation to the said Petition as may be required by law or proper in the premises; and it is further

RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that a copy of the within Order be duly published in the Brighton-Pittsford Post, which paper is designated as the official paper for such publication, and a copy of the said Order be posted on the bulletin board of the Town Clerk of the Town of Pittsford, New York, maintained pursuant to Section 30 of the Town Law, not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the said hearing.

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEWER DISTRICT EXTENSION PSD-80

A Resolution to set a public hearing to consider the matter of a request by petitioner, Marcy Wilcove, of 17 Country Club Road, to connect to the Town's Sanitary Sewers, was offered by Councilman O'Connor, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Munzinger, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The following Resolution was declared carried as follows:

WHEREAS, a Petition, signed by the sole joint owner, Marcy Wilcove, of the proposed "Extension PSD-80" to the Pittsford Sewer District, has been presented to the Town Board of Pittsford, Monroe County, New York, the said proposed Extension being located, in general terms, on the real property located at 17 Country Club Road, Pittsford, New York, all as is more particularly set forth in the Petition; and

WHEREAS, no public monies are proposed to be expended for the Extension of the District; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated Sewer Entrance, Connection and other County Fees to be paid by the owner of each unit within the Extension, in the first year following the proposed Extension, are in the aggregate amount of \$1,183.96;

NOW, ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it is

RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that a public hearing be held before the Town Board of the Town of Pittsford, at the Town of Pittsford Town Hall, on the 2nd day of April, 2019 at 6:00 o'clock P.M., Local Time, to consider the said Petition and to hear all persons interested therein, and for such other and further action on the part of the Town Board with relation to the said Petition as may be required by law or proper in the premises; and it is further

RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that a copy of the within Order be duly published in the Brighton-Pittsford Post, which paper is designated as the official paper for such publication, and a copy of the said Order be posted on the bulletin board of the Town Clerk of the Town of Pittsford, New York, maintained pursuant to Section 30 of the Town Law, not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the said hearing.

DISCUSSION: PROPOSED DEMOLITION REVIEW LAW

Town Board members discussed a potential Demolition Review Law with the following comments and concerns being noted:

Deputy Supervisor Munzinger began the discussion by suggesting that the Design Review and Historic Preservation Board could have reviewing authority over all proposed residential demolitions, while the Planning Board could have authority over all other demolitions, including any demolitions of existing structures called for in any subdivision or site plan applications subject to the review of the Planning Board. This is consistent with advice rendered to the Town Board previously by the Design Review and Historic Preservation Board. She suggested that the Planning Board could furnish comments to the Design Review Board for any demolitions subject to decision by the Design Review Board, and that the Design Review Board could provide such review and advice to the Planning Board for demolitions subject to the Planning Board's decision.

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Councilman Beckford stated that he approved of this approach.

Councilman O'Connor commented that he would be supportive of moving forward, but does not see the need for a pre-demolition review for properties other than those designated as historic, or appearing on the Town's historic inventory. He mentioned that currently, the Design Review and Historical Preservation Board already approves all new residential construction in accordance with RN zoning, an outcome of the 2009 Town Comprehensive Plan. So, the ultimate control as to what structures are built in a neighborhood already rests with Design Review, which is necessary and proper. He stated that an owner who desires to raze a non-inventoried/non-historically designated structure should be able to do so without further review than current law provides, and should be advised that the Design Review Board must approve whatever he or she plans to build in place of the demolished structure. Such owner also should be advised prior to demolition of his or her responsibility for landscaping and regular maintenance of the property until a replacement structure is approved by Design Review and built. If pre-demolition reviews and approvals really are needed, Councilman O'Connor advocated for a more frequently updated inventory that reflects the desired state of historic preservation in Pittsford, not one that is allowed to age over a period of years.

Councilman O'Connor also expressed concern with process and timeliness for buyers. He mentioned that the law would restrict a potential property owner, who may want, or possibly need, a more immediate answer with respect to demolition, especially when making an offer to purchase a property. He also indicated that he would like to see specific criteria, with objective standards, that would cause the governing Board to deny demolition.

Councilwoman Townsend indicated that she was in support of the suggested revisions and felt it was important that all residential homes and structures be reviewed prior to demolition, regardless of whether they have been designated as historic or listed on the Town's Historic Inventory. She noted that some homes may have missed the list, for one reason or another, and that as time passes, more structures can gain significance, but not be on the list. Therefore, a review of all residential demolitions is more favorable.

Supervisor Smith supported the approach described by Councilwoman Munzinger. He stated that Pittsford made a conscious policy choice some years ago to maintain the aesthetic character of its neighborhoods. This was why the Design Review Board was created. Any demolition, even of a non-historic house, has at least the potential to alter the aesthetic fabric of a neighborhood. Therefore, prior review of proposed demolitions seems to the Supervisor to be necessary and desirable if the town is to follow its stated policy regarding sensitivity to neighborhood character. Consequently, he continued, review of residential demolitions seems like a logical task for the Design Review Board, given its purpose and its assignment, generally, to look after the aesthetic character of neighborhoods. As to Councilman O'Connor's point about standards of review being included in any law providing for demolition review, the Supervisor reassured members that standards would be included and indeed were included in the earlier draft of the proposed legislation that the Board has discussed at a previous meeting. Supervisor Smith asked the Town Attorney to prepare a revised draft for Board review and discussion, based on the comments at this meeting.

It was also noted that the concept of residential structures should include outbuildings appurtenant to residential houses, such as detached garages.

Supervisor Smith noted the presence of Planning Board member Paula Liebschultz and Design Review and Historic Preservation Board member Bonnie Salem. Ms. Salem spoke, noting that standards of review were included in the draft of the proposed legislation discussed by the Board earlier. She stated that the advice of the Design Review Board as to structuring a method of demolition review is consistent with the prevailing view expressed by Town Board members tonight, assigning review authority over residential demolitions to the Design Review Board. She read the Design Review Board's earlier advice to the Town Board on this subject affirming that point.

The Supervisor asked if there were others wishing to speak on this subject. The Town's Director of Planning, Zoning and Development, Doug DeRue commented that he does not want the Town Board to overlook the fact that although currently we are only seeing a few of these requests for demolition a year, his department receives numerous inquiries about demolition. He worries about demolition review putting potential homebuyers in a difficult position if they want to buy, intending to raze the existing structure. Supervisor Smith suggested that such a potential homebuyer would be situated no differently from someone wanting to buy a property and intending to put an addition on the house, or build a new garage. In either case, he said, there is the same element of

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uncertainty. This can be addressed by sufficient contingency provisions in a contract of sale, and by pre-purchase review of a proposed demolition or addition.

Deputy Supervisor Munzinger noted her concern that, with this law, the increase in requests for demolition could present a problem for the Design Review and Historic Preservation Board, should they have several on their agenda at a time in the future. Design Review Board members present indicated that they could accommodate the additional work.

After the discussion, Supervisor Smith indicated that there appeared to be a reasonable consensus on the Town Board for redraft previously proposed legislation along the lines discussed tonight. He indicated that once the Town Attorney completes the redraft it will be presented to the Town Board for consideration. The Town Board's first step would be to set a Public Hearing, which must be held before any decision on this law is made by the Board.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

HIRING RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVED

Councilman O'Connor confirmed that he audited the records for the proposed new hires, noting that all the documents were in order. Thereafter, a Resolution to approve the proposed new hires and recommended status changes and/or salary changes was offered by Councilman O'Connor, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Munzinger, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: None.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approve the following persons for employment as new hires and confirm as the date of hire as indicated hereto:

Name	Department	Position	Rate	Date of Hire
Riley Lusk	Recreation	Rec Asst – PT	\$11.10	03/18/2019

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the status and salary changes for the following employee(s):

Name	Position	Reason for Change	Rate	Effective Date
Timothy Carder	Cleaner II	Seasonal to FT	\$13.50	03/04/2019
Royce Collins	MEO I	Promotion	\$27.98	03/04/2019
Mark Schrom	MEO II	Promotion	\$23.00	03/04/2019

STAFF TRAINING

WESTERN NEW YORK STORMWATER MANAGEMENT TRAINING SERIES APPROVED

A Resolution to approve Town Engineer, Rob Fromberger to attend the Western New York Stormwater Management Training Series – Floodplains and Watershed Hydraulics was at Monroe Community College was offered by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Councilman O'Connor, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: None.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that Town Engineer, Rob Fromberger be approved to attend the Western New York Stormwater Management Training Series – Floodplains and Watershed Hydraulics was at Monroe Community College on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at a cost of \$100.00.

CORNELL LOCAL ROADS PROGRAM TRAFFIC SIGNS & PAVEMENT MARKINGS TRAINING APPROVED

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A Resolution to approve Highway staff members Nick Schrom and Brian Shamp to attend training was offered by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Townsend, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that Highway employees, Nick Schrom and Brian Shamp be approved to attend the Cornell Local Roads Program Traffic Signs and Pavement Markings training at a cost of \$50.00 per person.

INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICITY COURSE THROUGH BOCES CENTER FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT APPROVED

A Resolution to approve Sewer staff members Bryan Dahar and Matt Schneider to attend a 9-week Industrial Electricity course was offered by Deputy Supervisor Munzinger, seconded by Councilwoman Townsend, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that Sewer employees, Bryan Dahar and Matt Schneider be approved to attend a 9-week Industrial Electricity course held Mondays and Wednesdays from April 22 through June 22, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Spencerport BOCES Center for Workforce Development. The training is within budget, with a cost to attend of \$529.00 per person.

MONROE COUNTY FIRE MARSHALS AND INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION 2019 EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR APPROVED

A Resolution to approve Fire Marshal Kelly Cline to attend the Monroe County Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association 2019 Educational Seminar May 14 – 16, 2019 was offered by Supervisor Smith, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Munzinger, and voted on by members as follows: Ayes: Beckford, Munzinger, O'Connor, Townsend and Smith. Nays: none.

The Resolution was declared carried as follows:

RESOLVED, that Fire Marshal Kelly Cline be approved to attend the Monroe County Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association's 2019 Educational Seminar on May 14, 15 and 16, 2019 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the West Webster Fire Department at a cost of \$175.00, which is within the budget.

OTHER BUSINESS

Supervisor Smith made the following announcements:

- 1) Volunteer Boards: It's expected that the Town Board will meet in Executive Session at the next Town Board meeting to discuss applicants for the open volunteer board positions in the Town.
- 2) Draft of Community Survey Questions – Town Board members can expect in the weeks ahead to receive for review a draft of the questions for the upcoming Community Survey.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people offered comments to the Board:

- 1) Elizabeth Agte, co-founder and representative of the group "Stop Canal Clear-Cutting", appeared at the Supervisor's invitation to update the Town Board on the Canal Corporation's recent activity and meetings that were held in Albion and Brockport with regard to the canal remediation efforts and next steps that are planned. She reported that she was pleased that these meetings have been held, as the Canal Corporation appears to be conscious of the homeowners who have been affected by the clear-cutting and that they have made efforts to remediate their loss of privacy by adding plants. She also indicated that upon request, the Canal Corporation has hired both an Arborist and a Landscape Architect for consultation purposes during this project. However, she has indicated some concern that the Canal Corporation is only addressing homeowners who are contacting them with their concerns and that they are not necessarily addressing the remainder of the towpath. Canal Corporation representatives have

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indicated that they will only address plantings along the embankment if the request comes from elected officials.

- 2) Linda Weinstein addressed the Town Board regarding the topic of climate disruption and the carbon fee and dividend approach to reducing carbon emissions. She thanked the Town of Pittsford for being the first town to send a letter to elected federal officials supporting the concept of carbon fee and dividend in December of 2017. She discussed a new initiative, the bipartisan *Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act*, introduced in the U.S, House of Representatives. It embodies the fee-and-dividend approach. She urged the Board to support this proposal. She noted an upcoming presentation by former Congressman Bob Inglis of South Carolina, discussing "A Free Enterprise Solution to Climate Change." This will be presented by the Rochester Chamber of Commerce on April 17 at 6PM, at the Floreano Convention Center, 123 E Main Street, in Rochester.

As there was no further business, the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Dillon
Town Clerk