

TOWN BOARD MEETING
ORGANIZATIONAL
January 4, 2016
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councilpersons: Kevin Armstrong, Leonard Govern, , Patty Wood, Supervisor Charles Gregory, Hwy. Supt., Walt Geidel, Attorney Carly Walas and Town Clerk Ronda Williams

ABSENT: Luis Rodriguez-Betancourt

OTHERS PRESENT: Lillian Brown – Walton Reporter

Supervisor Gregory introduced the following resolutions.

Organizational Resolutions

1. Town Board Meetings—Second Monday of each month at 6:00pm at the Walton Town Board Room, 129 North St. Walton, NY unless otherwise advertised.
2. Official Radio Station—WDLA
3. Official Newspaper—The Walton Reporter
4. Official Library—William B. Ogden Free Library
5. Official Depository—National Bank of Delaware County
6. Planning Board Chairman—Gale Sheridan
7. ZBA Chairman—Donald O’Connell
8. Zoning Board of Appeals Reappointment— John Litz 1/01/2016—12/31/2020
9. Reappointment to Planning Board—Georgiana McCall 01/01/2016---12/31/2020
10. Planning Board Alternate – Graydon Dutcher 01/01/2016 – 12/31/2016
11. Law Enforcement Officer—Delaware County Sheriff Thomas Mills
12. Records Management Officer (RMO)—Ronda Williams, Town Clerk
13. Code Enforcement Officer (CEO)—Stephen Dutcher
14. The Walton Town Supervisor is authorized to pay—prior to audit—utilities, postage, payroll expenses, pension related expenses, health insurance, interest and principal on town debt, and insurance policies.
15. Dog Control Officer –Steve Dutcher
16. Mileage Reimbursement— per Federal IRS business rate
17. The Walton Town Highway Superintendent is authorized to advertise bids as it is necessary on all highway supplies—other than those required by the Town of Walton’s Procurement Policy—and that they bring those bids before the Town Board for review.
18. The Walton Town Highway Superintendent is authorized to trade services and/or use of equipment with other municipalities, school districts, and fire districts as needed.
19. Approval of Salaries—per Salary Schedule listed in the 2016 Town Budget
20. The Town Board delegates the authority of delegating duties for all Deputy Town Clerks to the Town Clerk, with the exception of a vacancy in the office of Town Clerk.
21. Walton Court Clerk – Kristin Beers ---01/01/2016---12/31/2016
22. Town Attorney – Carly Walas—01/01/2016---12/31/2017

RESOLUTION #1-22

ADOPTION OF ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTIONS
#1-22

A motion was made by Armstrong, seconded by Govern accepting the organizational resolutions 1-22 as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #23

DESIGNATED SIGNATORIES

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Walton, New York by resolution authorized to appoint designated signatories for Supervisor and Deputy as designated signatories on all accounts and CD’s for banking purposes.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

1.

That the Supervisor shall be appointed as signatory and will appoint the Deputy Supervisor as second signatory on all accounts and CD’s for banking purposes.
2.

Resolution #49 of 2009 will remain in place requiring only one signature to open or renew a CD.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Armstrong and upon a call for a vote on the resolution, the members of the Walton Town Board voted as follows:

Councilman Armstrong	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _x_ Aye <input type="checkbox"/> __Nay
Councilwoman Wood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _x_ Aye <input type="checkbox"/> __Nay
Councilman Govern	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x_ Aye <input type="checkbox"/> __Nay
Councilman Rodriguez-Betancourt	<input type="checkbox"/> __Aye <input type="checkbox"/> __Nay <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _x_ Absent
Supervisor Gregory	<input type="checkbox"/> __x_ Aye <input type="checkbox"/> __Nay

FLOOR TIME:

None requested

SUPERINTENDENT OF HWY. REPORT:

Superintendent reported to the Board of his appointment of Highway Foreman to Michael Merwin for 2016.

Presented an Agreement to Spend Highway Funds in the amount of \$448,500.00 for approval.

RESOLUTION #24

AGREEMENT TO SPEND HIGHWAY FUNDS

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Govern granting permission for the Highway Superintendent to spend \$448,500 for general repairs and permanent improvements. All in favor, motion carried.

TOWN CLERK’S REPORT:

Reported that I am in receipt of the tax warrant and collection has started.

Reported that I have appointed Gladys Jacques and Sharon Way as Deputy Town Clerks/Collectors.

CEO/DOG CONTROL REPORT:

No report

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT:

Requested permission to hire a bookkeeper whom will be paid from the bookkeeper budget line item. He reported to the Board that he has not made a decision as to who this individual will be yet but will be contacting our current auditing firm as well as an individual from Oneonta.

RESOLUTION #25 HIRE OF BOOKKEEPER

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Wood granting Supervisor Gregory permission to hire a bookkeeper. All in favor, motion carried.

Requested permission to attend QuickBooks training in Binghamton, NY on January 20th as well as permission to attend the Newly Elected Training in Albany with an expense of approximately \$600.00.

Councilman Govern stated he attended the Newly Elected Training and found it to be very beneficial.

RESOLUTION #26 PERMISSION FOR SUPERVISOR TO ATTEND TRAINING

A motion was made by Councilman Armstrong, seconded by Govern granting Supervisor Gregory permission to attend the QuickBooks and Newly Elected training. All in favor, motion carried.

Supervisor Gregory asked the Board if they would be open to recording the Town Board meetings. The Board was not opposed, but requested additional information as to the cost associated.

Supervisor Gregory stated the Walton Ministries has offered to attend the Town Board meetings to offer prayer in place of the moment of reflection. The Board was in favor and this will start at our February meeting.

Supervisor Gregory offered the following appointments.

APPOINTMENTS:

- 1. Deputy Town Supervisor – Kevin Armstrong
- 2. Town Historian – Walton Historical Society
- 3. Town Board Committees –
 - Public Works Armstrong & Govern
 - Finance & Insurance Govern & Wood
 - Legal & Ordinance Govern & Rodriguez
 - Land Use & Village Liaison Rodriguez & Wood

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| - Personnel | Armstrong & Govern |
| - Union Negotiations | Armstrong & Gregory |
| - Building & Grounds | Armstrong & Wood |
| - Technology | Armstrong & Govern |
| - Emergency Disaster | Govern & Wood |
| - Historical | Armstrong & Rodriguez |

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None reported

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RESOLUTION#27

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Armstrong to enter into executive session for purposes of Union Negotiations and personnel contracts at 6:25 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Wood, seconded by Govern to close executive session at 7:29 pm.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm by motion from Councilman Govern, seconded by Armstrong.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronda Williams
Town Clerk