## **AGENDA**

# Galway Town Board Meeting April 12, 2017 7:00p.m.

Call to order - Supervisor Lent

Roll Call - Town Clerk DeFoe

Pledge to the flag – All

Approval of minutes of previous meeting 3/21/17

Communications Received - Town Clerk DeFoe

#### **REPORTS of Committees**

## **REPORTS of Department Heads**

#### LIAISON REPORTS

## **BUDGET REPORTS AND ACTION**

**Vouchers and Report** 

- 1. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Fund A Townwide
- 2. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Fund B Town Outside Village
- 3. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Highway Fund DA Townwide
- 4. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Highway Fund DB Town Outside Village
- 5. Approval of General Abstract of Vouchers Fund SL Lighting District
- 6. Supervisor's Budget Report
- 7. Budget amendments As needed

#### RESOLUTIONS

Tax Collector-establishing a town policy regarding incorrect amounts rendered for real property taxes

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Reminder of the road side pick up scheduled for April 22 Ethics training for required town personnel on April 24 at 7 p.m.

#### PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR - OPEN

#### **ADJOURN**

Next meeting May 9, 2017

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 11, 2017 GALWAY TOWN HALL

Supervisor Lent called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The following Town Board Members were present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Paul Lent

Councilman Fred Arnold

Councilman Rod Wilday

Councilwoman JoAnne Peregrim-Grant

ABSENT:

Councilman Michael Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Orzolek; N. Gervais; B. Ruman; S. Price; M. Jazwinski; K. & A. Decker; W. McIntyre; C. & D. Schweizer; J. & A. McCauley; N. Clarke; R. Poulin; T. O'Brien, Dog Control Officer; D. Sowle, Youth Commission Chairman; B. Jones; C. Ciembroniewicz, Code Enforcement Officer; & M. DeFoe, Town Clerk.

## Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Councilwoman Grant, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2017 Regular Meeting as submitted.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Communications – Town Clerk stated that Legal Notice was placed in the Daily Gazette on March 25, 2017 advising the public of a temporary order limiting roads to 4 ton on Town of Galway Roads. The following correspondence was received and forwarded to Board Members: Building Department Report for April; Assessor Report for April; Dog Control Officer's Report for February & March along with Shelter Report for February & March; Resolution will be required for Saratoga Springs Tour de Cure to be held on June 4th and email communication from Win McIntyre regarding lack of high speed internet availability for residents on Alexander Road under current town contract with cable provider. Requested that Town contact Spectrum to request that they look into this State Program for expansion of services in our area. Other Correspondence Received: Notification from NYS Department of Taxation & Finance that new member to Board of Assessment Review Wes Baxter will be attending training on April 25, 2017 in Ballston Spa & Certificate of Completion by Hon. Justin F. Cappon for his Continuing Judicial Education Program.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS: Highway – Dave Costanzo, Highway Superintendent stated for March the Highway Department plowed and sanded 6 days; cut brush; posted roads for 4-ton weight limit; replaced driveway culverts on Jersey Hill Road and Ridge Road; swept winter sand from roads; patched gravel & black top; completed first aid training and OSHA training. The schedule for April is to Plow if needed; cut brush; grade & roll gravel roads; replace windows at Town Hall; sweep sand from roads; haul gravel to shop; prepare ball fields for usage; remove plow equipment

from trucks and commence road work. Supervisor Lent question now that winter plowing season is hopefully concluded, what was Superintendents thoughts on the road pre-treatment. Dave stated it was a big learning curve. With wet snow and freezing rain the pre-treatment didn't seem to work as well. The 4-5 storms that took place during cold dry snow, they were able to hold off on coming in for overtime due to the pre-treatment. Will continue with pre-treatment, now he has a better understanding of how it works best. **Youth Commission – Donna Sowle, Chair** stated that karate is still in season; may need to search for mats for their program; Recreational Soccer will begin May 6<sup>th</sup> and run thru June 17<sup>th</sup> for pre-K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade; Donna will be working on setting up learn to swim program; Family Fun Day will be held June 17<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 p.m. here at Town Hall; Summer Recreation Program will be held at school July 10<sup>th</sup> thru August 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to noon & grant was received from Stewarts for \$1,000.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Lent explained the Abstract of Voucher process to audience.

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the General Abstract of Vouchers (A) dated 03/01/2017 thru 03/31/2017 for a total of \$31,426.11.

All ayes.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Councilman Wilday made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the General Abstract of Vouchers (B) dated 03/01/2017 thru 03/31/2017 for a total of \$2,678.36.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DA) dated 03/01/2017 thru 03/31/2017 for a total of \$14,998.48.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the Highway Abstract of Vouchers (DB) dated 03/01/2017 thru 03/31/2017 for a total of \$62.40.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Wilday made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Grant to approve the Lighting District Abstract of Vouchers (SL) dated 03/01/2017 thru 03/31/2017 for a total of \$122.61.

All ayes.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Councilwoman Grant made a motion, seconded by Councilman Arnold to approve the Tri-Town Gravel Facility Abstract of Vouchers (TT) dated 03/01/2017 thru 03/31/2017 for a total of \$1,560.00.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

Councilman Arnold made a Motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to approve the Supervisor's Report for the period ending 3/31/2017.

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #: 17-2017 – Budget Amendments. On a motion of Councilman Wilday, seconded by Councilwoman, Grant the following resolution was ADOPTED:

AYES – 4 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the following Budget Amendments:

Decrease

A1990.4

Contingency Account

\$500.00

Increase

A1440.4

Engineering

\$500.00

All ayes.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #: 18-2017** – Tour de Cure approval. Supervisor Lent stated that they would be holding a bicycle race starting in Saratoga Springs and passing thru Galway for the American Diabetes Association. On a motion of Councilman Arnold, seconded by Councilman Wilday the following resolution was ADOPTED: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0

RESOLVED that the Galway Town Board approve the Tour de Cure bicycle race on June 4, 2017 for the American Diabetes Association; race will start in Saratoga Springs and continue thru Galway.

All ayes.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Supervisor Lent stated that the Town will be looking for volunteers to help with the yearly roadside pick up to be held this year on April 22, 2017. Interested residents can contact Highway Department or Councilman Arnold, orange bags are provided and Town will pick them up after clean up.

Mandatory Ethics training will take place for Town personnel on April 24, 2017 at 7 p.m.

Supervisor Lent requested a date from Highway Superintendent for bulk drop off. Superintendent Costanzo stated May 23<sup>rd</sup> thru 26<sup>th</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup> during regular working hours for Highway Department. No hazardous materials, tires or electronics will be allowed. Clifton Park will take hazardous waste at a cost to non residents. Mike Jazwinski stated that the Ambulance Corporation will be doing an unused medications drop off in November or December, will let public know exact dates when it gets closer.

Volunteer is still needed for Board of Assessment Review, if interested please contact Town Supervisor. Supervisor Lent gave an overview of what was involved with this position. County training is required for this position.

<u>Privilege of the Floor</u> – Win McIntyre advised that he was here tonight with his neighbors of Alexander Road Ann & Jim McCauley & Carol & Dave Schweizer. Win went over the inability of new residents in the Scripter subdivision section of that road to obtain cable internet services from our contracted carrier Time Warner now Spectrum. The current contract is a 15 year contract with a requirement of 20 dwellings per mile. The McCauley's were quoted a price of \$38,000 as the next closest resident to pole to

have service extended. Winn advised the Town of a \$200 million federal grant available for high-speed internet in rural areas of upstate NY. Would request that Town contact Spectrum and request that they participate in grant process to allow full coverage in the Town of Galway. Supervisor Lent stated that he too lived on a road that is not included in Spectrum cable/internet coverage. Win went into discussion with Town Supervisor regarding this grant funding. Supervisor Lent stated that Time Warner now Spectrum is probably one of the worst companies he has ever had to work with. Census block numbers don't show Galway as underserved or unserved at this time. Supervisor Lent has done a lot of research with reference to funding available for extension of these services and has found Time Warner/Spectrum not a recipient of this funding. He will pursue this further with Spectrum and also with the other elected officials on state level. Supervisor Lent stated with density requirements he doesn't see this happening with the zoning/planning lot sizes required in a rural area like Galway.

Nacole Clark of Consaul Road questioned impact on Town with reference to sales tax loss due to closing of Chuck's Store. Supervisor Lent stated that the sales tax distribution goes by zip code and several zip codes work into the Town. As he is sure it has had an impact with Galway Market & Chuck's Store closing. The single largest contribution to sales tax distribution is gasoline sales. Last month's sales tax distribution was up about 5%.

Robert Poulin of Ridge Road stated his residence was the one indicated in Highway Superintendents report with culvert replacement. He wanted to thank the Highway department for the fast response from them for his culvert replacement. Robert felt the Town Board needed an in person thank you for their hard work. He also stated he has had the same mail box at this location for 35 years, snow plow has never taken it out.

Beth Ruman, President Galway Ambulance Corp. - With her tonight is Mike Jazwinski, Captain and Sue Price, Treasurer. Beth felt that the Ambulance Corp. needed to touch base with Town regarding their concerns regarding further declining revenue. They were down \$15,000 from the previous year. Starting off the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter calls are down 20 from last year with an increase in Medicare/Medicaid. They were also advised in 2015 thru Farley's office of approval for a grant to purchase defibrillators. The grant was then pulled; may possibly be granted a portion of originally authorized funding but nothing has been received to date. Will be coming before the Town Board on a quarterly basis to keep apprised of situation. Supervisor Lent stated that they had fixed cost since they have to be staffed 24 hours a day 7 days a week. He questioned if they were seeing less payments by private insurance or lower payments. Sue Price stated that they were seeing an increase in Medicare/Medicaid payments that are drastically lower than private insurance payments. Supervisor Lent stated that the Town has a contract with Ambulance Corp for around \$69,000 to help with expenses. Charlton & Providence also have a smaller contract. Beth asked if it was possible to amend contract to have payments sent monthly instead of quarterly to help with their cash flow issues. First payment is just on abstract tonight. Supervisor Lent didn't feel this would be a problem to change will talk further with Beth regarding this. Supervisor Lent stated with tax cap requirements, the 2% allowed by State actually worked out to be .68% this year. He

explained process to audience on tax cap. **Beth** advised that the Ambulance Corp. would be celebrating 50 years of service to Galway.

Dave Orzolek of Jockey Street voiced his displeasure with the Library wanting a new building and not using the old Fire Department Building. Supervisor Lent stated that the Library is a separate Library District Town Board doesn't have anything to do with regulating what they propose. Library will be using Town Hall for their vote in June and they have two informational meeting dates that they will be using the Town Hall before that to discuss proposed new Library. Dave questioned why the Town didn't have a swimming facility be it a spot on Galway Lake or an actual pool for use by residents. **Donna Sowle** stated that Youth Commission contracts with Glenville Y for a family swim during winter vacation and then a learn to swim program for the children in June. Supervisor Lent stated that there is no lake access or public beach available to Town for use. Town of Providence has been unable to get a certified life guard to cover the summer activity at beach. Along with life guard coverage issues comes the high liability insurance associated with water activities. Dave's final concern was continued speeding in his area of Jockey Street. Supervisor Lent will talk to the Sheriff's office & State Police to see about more patrolling in this area. Councilman Arnold will check with the Town of Charlton to see if we could use their speed indicator machine. Supervisor Lent stated that the Town would then need to get approval from Saratoga County DPW since Jockey Street is their road.

Councilman Arnold made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wilday to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

All ayes.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Respectfully submitted, Margaret J. De Loe

Margaret L. DeFoe

Town Clerk