

## Town Board Minutes – March 11, 2025

Supervisor Gayle Ashbery called to order the regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Carlton at 7:10 p.m.

*Present were: Councilman Woolston, Councilman Charles Ricci, Councilman Brian McCue, Councilman John Olles, and Supervisor Gayle Ashberry. Also in attendance was Highway Superintendent Kurt VanWycke and Doug Heath, attorney for the Town of Carlton.*

Following roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance, the minutes from February 11, 2025 were approved by Councilman Olles, and seconded by Councilman McCue.

Supervisor Report submitted by Gayle Ashbery; total receipts for February were \$ 1,732,982.42. Expenditures through February on average should equal 16.67% of annual budget; General Fund were 15.22%, Highway Fund 18.70%, Water District 30.47%. Report approved by Councilman Woolston, and seconded by Councilman Olles.

Fire Chief Report – Seth Dumrese reported 28 calls; 25 EMS, 3 Good Intents, for month of February.

Town Clerk Report – Presented by Debbie Yockel, Total revenues of \$958.00, of which \$526.18 was paid out and total local shares remitted is \$431.82. Approved by Councilman Ricci; seconded by Councilman McCue.

Code/Zoning report, amount collected was as follows: Code \$300.00. Approved by Councilman McCue and seconded by Councilman Ricci.

Town Justice report submitted by Judge Hurley, collected \$2780.00. Our application for 2024/2025 JCAP grant was not approved. We can resubmit this year. A motion by Councilman Woolston was made to approve, seconded by Councilman Olles.

Highway Superintendent report – Kurt VanWycke went to Albany with Superintendents to meet with Representatives regarding CHIPS money.

Legislator John Fitzak reported the meeting for park acquisition. April 15, 2025 is Orleans County Bi-Centennial. On May 15, 2025, there will be a program presented by DSS at the Orleans Country Fairgrounds regarding human trafficking. DSS report on homelessness revealed 62 homeless persons in county, 36 out of county. On Spectrum tower question – when will it be working? RTO is the vendor, need to speak to them regarding when we will be on.

Town Attorney Doug Heath – reintroducing moratoriums on 3 local laws, then having 3 public hearings on April 8, 2025:

- Resolution #1 – Law 1: Moratorium on Wind Energy Deriving Towers
  - Approved by Councilman Woolston, seconded by Councilman McCue

- Resolution #2 – Law 2: Temporary Town-Wide Moratorium on the Installation of Freestanding or Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems
  - Approved by Councilman Woolston, seconded by Councilman McCue
  
- Resolution #3 – Law 3: Moratorium on the Acceptance, Processing, and/or Approval of All Building Permits, Area or Use Variances, Special Use Permits, and /or Site Plan Approvals for Large Battery Energy Storage Systems in the Town of Carlton
  - Approved by Councilman McCue, seconded by Councilman Woolston

A motion by Councilman McCue to approve the February vouchers to be paid in the total amount of \$201,648.61 was seconded by Councilman Olles.

Motion to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. was made by Councilman Olles, seconded by Councilman Woolston and carried.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Yockel, Town Clerk