

March 15, 2023

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Colchester, Delaware County, New York was held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 5:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Present: Arthur M. Merrill Supervisor
Janet L. Champlin Councilwoman
Julie A. Markert Councilwoman
Daniel J. Pinner Councilman

Absent: Gregory L. Lavorgna Councilman

Recording Secretary: Kirstie Mattson Deputy Town Clerk

Others present: Julie B. Townsend-Town Clerk, Kenneth R. Eck, Jr.-Highway Supt., Officer Cawley, The Reporter-Elizabeth DeFalco and Rob Hafele.

The Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Arthur M. Merrill and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, March 01, 2023 had been distributed earlier. Janet Champlin made the motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Dan Pinner, Janet Champlin-aye, Julie Markert-aye, Dan Pinner- aye, Arthur Merrill-aye, Greg Lavorgna-absent, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Cooks Falls Water Operator Noma M Lacey – Letter of Retirement; she plans to retire on April 30, 2023 after 17 years of service for the Town.

NO. 28-2023 03/15/23 Accept Letter of Resignation of Noma M Lacey

Dan Pinner made the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Water Plant Officer Noma M Lacey has handed in a letter of resignation/retirement as the Cooks Falls Water Plant Operator, effective April 30, 2023;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester hereby accepts letter of resignation/retirement from Noma M Lacey with regrets, thanking her for her service to the Township and wishing her well in her retirement.

Resolution was seconded by Julie Markert, Janet Champlin-aye, Julie Markert-aye, Dan Pinner-aye, Arthur Merrill-aye, Greg Lavorgna-absent, motion carried.

- Delaware County Ambulance report for January 2023 and February 2023
- Stamford Supervisor John Kosier sent a copy of Stamford's Local Law Designating Town Highways for Travel by ATV's. Copies of the law were distributed to the board members and will be discussed at the next meeting.

REPORTS- written reports on file at Town Clerk's Office:

- Town Justice Conrow- \$9,283.00 reported for February 2023
- Tax Collector- As of 2/28/23, 2266 Transactions -Base Tax Total \$6,674,989.36- 78% Paid.

Supervisor Merrill reported that Peter Heimbuecher expressed that he is no longer interested in installing the new Downsville Water District meters.

Supervisor reported that the Mobile Office Unit is progressing. He recently spoke to Josh Taggart of Taggart Electric, Inc and he said that they plan to begin working on the building's electric in mid-April.

Supervisor Merrill reported that he has been working with NYCDEP on getting through some technical issues with their passport system which will be used to process water payments to the Town.

Supervisor reported that the Code Enforcement Officer has created a new Inspection Checklist as a part of the Short Term Rental Committee. The inspection will be completed by the Code Enforcement Officer when a homeowner registers their property with the Town as a short term rental.

Ken Eck reported that the box culverts are being picked up in the near future and he is hopeful that they will be able to take all of them.

Supervisor reached out to Delaware Engineering, DPC and is waiting for a response. He plans to meet with Water Plant Operator Ron MacDonald and discuss what needs to be done in the Cooks Falls Water District regarding the well and water mains.

Supervisor Merrill made the following announcements:

- Next Regular Meeting is Wed., April 5th at 5PM.

SUBMISSION OF BILL/EXPENSES: Janet Champlin made the motion, seconded by Julie Markert, that the vouchers be approved, subject to any corrections or deletions, Janet Champlin-aye, Julie Markert-aye, Dan Pinner-aye, Arthur Merrill-aye, Greg Lavorgna-absent, motion carried. Abstract No. 06-2023 Voucher No.142-164; Totaling \$114,317.54

With no further business, Dan Pinner made the motion for adjournment, seconded by _____, Janet Champlin-aye, Julie Markert-aye, Dan Pinner-aye, Arthur Merrill-aye, Greg Lavorgna-absent, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kirstie Mattson, Deputy Town Clerk