

Town of Harmony

Date: November 6, 2019

Time: 7:15 PM Public Hearing 2020 Town Budget

7:20 PM Public Hearing Carol Rasmussen OCR Grant #512ED906-18

7:30 PM Regular Meeting

Place: Town Building

1001 Blockville - Watts Flats Rd

Ashville, NY 14710

Members Present:	John Brown	Supervisor
	Peter Radka	Councilman
	David Hinderer	Councilman
	Jeff Jordan	Councilman
	Tim Covey	Councilman
	Shelly Johnson	Town Clerk

Absent: Tim Card Highway Superintendent

Visitors: Carol Rasmussen CREDC Business Development Manager

Supervisor Brown opened the public hearing for the Town of Harmony 2020 Budget at 7:15 pm. No public comments. Public hearing closed at 7:20 pm

Supervisor Brown opened the public hearing on the OCR Grant #512ED906-18. Carol Rasmussen, CREDC Business Development Manager reported on the Castelli Cheese, LLC grant. The NYS Office of Community Renewal (OCR) approved on June 29, 2018, a project to provide a grant to the Tow of Harmony, in its effort to support the continuation, and expansion of the operations of Castelli America, LLC at its plant on Fairbanks Road in the Town of Harmony. OCR funds in the amount of \$500,000 were provided to the Chautauqua Region Economic development Corporation which funded term and deferred loans to the company. Proceeds were used for inventory and training. The OCR requires that the grantee hold a public hearing during the implantation of the grant to solicit public comment regarding the activities being undertaken, and the administration of the grant by the Town, and its sub recipient, the Chautauqua Region Economic Development Corporation.

To conclude the update: The project retained 53 full-time jobs, and hired 17 new full time employees. The plant is aggressively marketing their project, and fully operational.

No public comments or questions were made.

Supervisor Brown thanked Mrs Rasmussen for her report.

Public hearing closed at 7:25 pm

Supervisor Brown opened the regular meeting of the Town of Harmony at 7:30 pm at the above time and place.

Approval of minutes

Resolution 27-19

On a motion by Councilman Radka, seconded by Councilman Jordan the following resolution was

ADOPTED 5 ayes Radka, Brown, Jordan, Covey, Hinderer
0 nays

Resolved that the minutes of October 19, 2019 be approved.

CEO's Report:

- 1 permit issued

ZBA Board Update:

- No report

Animal Control Officers Report:

- No activity to report

Court Report

- 18 cases closed
- 11 cases opened

Assessor's Report

- No report

Highway Superintendents Report:

- No report

Town Clerk Report

- Financial report of the clerk's office was given

Supervisor's Report:

- Supervisor Brown was unable to attend the shared services meeting held last week. He did report on the minutes he received from the meeting. Discussion was held on health insurance consortiums, consolidating courts, and county wide code enforcement. Supervisor Brown asked the boards opinion on the county wide code enforcement. At this point there are too many unknowns. How much would it cost, how many code officers would there be, and how would coverage be determined.
- Supervisor Brown will be attending the upcoming FEMA meeting.
- Supervisor Brown discussed possible cemetery strategies for the Town to help local cemeteries with maintenance. He has a call in to the town attorney for advice on what we can do legally. Supervisor Brown discussed hiring a part time employee to mow and trim the cemeteries as well as the town park.
- There will be an audit of the Castelli Cheese grant on November 18th

Old Business:

- A reception was held honoring Cathy Young on November 1st at the new highway

building. The reception was well attended and appreciated by all. Supervisor Brown presented a certificate of appreciation to Cathy Young on behalf of the town.

New Business:

- Congratulations to everyone who was reelected. Local Law #1 was passed
- A certificate of participation was presented to Councilman Pete Radka for his work on the highway building project

Town Clerk presents bills for payment:

On a Motion of Councilman Hinderer and Seconded by Councilman Radka the following resolution was

ADOPTED 5 ayes
0 nays

Resolved that the bill be paid on Abstract #11 in the following amounts

General \$ 10,358.80	Voucher #'s 183-201
Highway \$4,789.14	Voucher #'s 122-136

With no further business, on a motion by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Covey the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm. Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Shelly Johnson, Town Clerk

Please Note: The next meeting will be held on December 11, 2019 @ 7:30 PM.