

TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandville was held via Zoom video and telephone conferencing with Supervisor Williams presiding as permitted by the Executive Order of the Governor of the State of New York due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Members present:

Supervisor, Thomas A. Williams
Councilman, Jay E. Cobb
Councilman, Jeffrey D. Guido
Councilman, Theodore V. Testa
Councilman, Douglas E. Withey
Town Clerk, Kristin E. Rocco-Petrella

Others present were: Town Attorney, John A. DelVecchio; Highway Sup't., Larry Drach; Water & Sewer Sup't., Peter Alteri Jr.; Deputy Town Clerk, Abigail Albro; Reception Clerk/Computer Technology Educator, Nick Alteri; Planning Board Chairman, Chris Newell; Planning Board Member, Nasrin Parvizi; Town Residents: Peter Morse-Ackley; and News Reporter, Colin Spencer from the *Cortland Standard*.

Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call of all Board members in attendance.

Councilman Withey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Testa, to approve the Draft Town Board Minutes of November 18, 2020 and the Draft Special Town Board Minutes of December 10, 2020. All voting aye, the motion was carried.

RESOLUTION #323 AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN PURCHASE ORDER
#0171 TO THE COMPUTING CENTER FOR THE PURCHASE
OF A HP DESIGNJET SD PRO SCANNER FOR RECORDS
MANAGEMENT PURPOSES

Motion by Councilman Cobb

Seconded by Councilman Withey

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize and direct the Supervisor to sign Purchase Order #0169 submitted by the Town Clerk/Records Management Officer to be paid to The Computing Center for the purchase of one HP DesignJet SD Pro Scanner #G6H50b#B1K, including a 3-year warranty, for records management purposes, for the total cost of \$8,380.00.

RESOLUTION #324 AUTHORIZE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO BE THE SOLE
SIGNATORY ON VOUCHERS IN ORDER TO PAY BILLS AS
NEEDED UNTIL THE BOARD RESUMES IN-PERSON TOWN
BOARD MEETINGS

Motion by Councilman Guido

Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and an increase in the number of coronavirus cases in Cortland County, the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandville has increased its safety precautions and protocols to include conducting their meetings virtually rather than in person, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize and direct the Town Supervisor to be the sole signatory on vouchers in order to pay bills as needed until Board meetings resume in person.

RESOLUTION #325 AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS – DECEMBER

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the vouchers submitted have been audited and shall be paid as follows:

Funds A, B, DA, DB, HG, SF, SS, SW	Voucher #1632-1737	
	General Fund A	\$ 69,839.45
	General Fund B	\$ 12,831.98
	Highway Fund DA	\$ 0.00
	Highway Fund DB	\$ 169,938.26
	Gutchess Lumber SC Project HG	\$ 0.00
	C'Ville Fire District SF	\$ 0.00
	Sewer Fund SS	\$ 16,710
	Water Fund SW	\$ 4,062.50
Funds CD1, CD3, CD4	Voucher #12-13	
	BMills Rehab CD1	\$ 0.00
	Town Wide Rehab CD3	\$ 4,700.00
	Business Devl CD4	\$ 0.00
Funds TA, TE	Voucher #35-36	
	Trust & Agency TA	\$ 6,170.85
	Expendable Trust TE	\$ 0.00

Supervisor Williams offered privilege of the floor to Peter Morse-Ackley.

Town Resident Peter Morse-Ackley: Thank you. Thanks for the Zoom meeting and keeping the Town's work going while we have this COVID problem. I like the changes that have been made to the Solar Law. Looks like somebody really did some homework and some research. So, you know, I like those two changes that were made. I was glad to see the draft of the Comprehensive Plan and I started to read it, but I'm wondering if there's like a shorter version or consolidated, because at 321 pages it's going to scare people from reading and understanding it. I appreciate the work, obviously people did a lot of stuff, but it's length is kind of stunning. The main reason I'm here tonight is I'm concerned about all the Solar projects being built. I'm retired. I've read the last two years of the minutes from the Town Board, the Planning Committee, the ZBA, as well as the Cortland County Planning. There are an awful lot of Solar projects going on. These projects cover acres and acres, and who knows what's going to be done over the next few years. It just seems like we're getting in a bit over our head. I don't understand why some of these projects are being allowed in residential zoning and on prime farmland when we have lots of places these things could go and yet we seem to be coming back to residential and prime farmland. I don't understand how McLean Solar I continues to be allowed. It's been two years of rejections and revisions. The company seems to be kind of vague about some of their statements in their paperwork. I'm just really concerned as to why this project continues to go on. You know, the new Comprehensive Plan recommends taking care of our gateways. It's right on page seven, in the beginning. McLean I is right on, you know, the gateway, it's on McLean Road. You know, it's right next to Lime Hollow, and... you know, cause Lime Hollow is the next property over from where this thing's going in. Down the road there's Tunison. I believe our gateways, Lime Hollow, and Tunison are more important than 12 more acres of glass and steel. Lastly I'm concerned with how hard Attorney DelVecchio is working on getting McLean I passed. Is Mr. DelVecchio meant to be a neutral legal resource for the Town Boards and the people of the Town? Or as an advocate for the companies of Gutchess and Farm East. Over two years there's been incredible work, time, and discussion given to just this one project and after the Town has allowed this company five other projects Mr. DelVecchio continues to push. To get around our Zoning Laws and allow for Solar I. Over the past two years the minutes show that the Planning Board, the ZBA, and several residents have expressed concern about this project. Yet Mr. DelVecchio continues to coordinate and advocate for changes of venue, new applications, and new strategies to get around our Zoning Laws. As far back as 7/19. In 2019 the Planning Board identified there are ample alternative sites for this project. Why haven't we acted on it? I believe that Mr. DelVecchio's advocacy for this project goes beyond his role as the Town Attorney. Something does not seem right here. Please respect the residents, the committee's, the Zoning

Laws, the Comprehensive Plan, and let this thing die. Or at least be moved to a legal site that is not on our gateway or on R1 zoned land. Thank you.

Councilman Withey: Thank you.

Councilman Testa: Thank you.

Supervisor Williams: Alright.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: I just want to interject something. We have an abbreviated Comprehensive Plan available. It's... I know we have the 300 and some pages, but I do think we have one that's shorter with charts and maps probably in the neighborhood of more like 100 pages.

Town Resident Peter Morse-Ackley: Okay. Great!

Supervisor Williams: Maybe you two can contact each other off camera and take care of that electronically. I suppose we have that electronically. Right Chris?

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: I believe so, yea.

Councilman Withey: Yeah Tom. Maybe Kristin can send a copy to each one of the Board members, the abbreviate one. I'd appreciate that as well. It's a lengthy read the way it is.

Supervisor Williams: Alright, thank you Chris. Alright. Let's move on. Someone have a comment? No, okay thank you. Let's move down through the static stuff that we have here and then we'll come back to Mr. Alteri who has a presentation for us. Let's get through the Reports and Communications. We have seven pretty standard and receive and file Monthly Reports. Without objection we'll take those as an item. All in favor... we'll let's have a motion to accept all those.

Councilman Withey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Testa, to receive and file the following monthly reports:

- 1) Code Enforcement Officer McMahon – November 2020;
- 2) Water & Sewer Department – November 2020;
- 3) Town Clerk – November 2020;
- 4) Cortland Community SPCA – November 2020;
- 5) Town Supervisor – November 2020;
- 6) Town Justice LeFevre and Town Justice Mathey – November 2020; and
- 7) Code Enforcement Officer/Fire & Safety Inspector Campbell – November 2020.

All voting aye, the motion was carried.

Councilman Withey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Cobb, to receive and file correspondence from Charter Communications, dated December 4, 2020, regarding programming services. All voting aye, the motion was carried.

RESOLUTION #326 AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO BALANCE
ACCOUNTS FOR THE 2020 BUDGET

Motion by Councilman Guido

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

Abstain - Cobb

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Budget Officer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer funds to adjust the accounts of the 2020 Budget for the Town of Cortlandville as follows:

1) <u>GENERAL FUND B - PART TOWN:</u> Transfer \$5,835.20		
<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
B1460.4	B1460.2	\$ 5,835.20
TOTAL:\$		5,835.20

2) **HIGHWAY FUND – PART TOWN DB:** \$75,773.21

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
DB5110.4	DB5130.2	\$ 12,600.00
DB5110.1	DB5130.1	\$ 63,173.21
TOTAL:		\$ 75,773.21

4) **SS – SEWER FUND:** Transfer \$91,000.00

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
SS599	SS8120.41	\$ 91,000.00
TOTAL:		\$ 91,000.00

5) **SW – WATER FUND:** Transfer \$369,105.00

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
SW599	SW8340.41	\$246,065.00
SW599	SW8340.42	\$123,040.00
TOTAL:		\$369,105.00

RESOLUTION #327 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR JANUARY 20, 2021
REGARDING THE TOWN'S APPLICATION FOR A 2021 NYS
CDBG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/SMALL BUSINESS
GRANT

Motion by Councilman Testa

Seconded by Councilman Guido

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, a Public Hearing shall be scheduled for January 20, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. regarding the Town of Cortlandville's application for a 2021 NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Economic Development/Small Business Grant to facilitate the establishment of Seven Valley Specialty Cables, LLC.

Attorney DelVecchio reported:

Estate of Daniel McAllister:

Attorney DelVecchio reported that he was in receipt of an Order signed by Judge Campbell, Surrogate's Court of the State of New York, Cortland County regarding the Estate of Daniel McAllister. The Order relinquished the Cortland County Treasurer from its duties as Trustee for the Estate of Daniel McAllister and ordered that all funds maintained within the Estate be remitted to a family member for the purpose of maintaining the McAllister Burial Lot within the South Cortland Cemetery in the Town of Cortlandville. Attorney DelVecchio asked the Board to formally acknowledge the receipt of the Order.

RESOLUTION #328 ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE ORDER IN THE
MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DANIEL MCALLISTER BY
THE SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW
YORK, CORTLAND COUNTY

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby acknowledge receipt of the "Order" in the matter of the Estate of Daniel McAllister signed by Hon. Julie A. Campbell, Surrogate's Court of the State of New York, Cortland County, that relinquished the Cortland County Treasurer from its duties as Trustee for the Estate of Daniel McAllister and ordered that all funds maintained within the Estate be remitted to a family member for the purpose of maintaining the McAllister Burial Lot within the South Cortland Cemetery in the Town of Cortlandville.

Bond Anticipation Note – Gutches Lumber Sports Complex:

Attorney DelVecchio advised the Board that a decision must be made either tonight or by the next board meeting as to whether the Board would renew the Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) for the Gutches Lumber Sports Complex as another short-term BAN for one year or move to a long-term bond. There were 12 years left on the original amount of funds borrowed.

He reminded the Board that the concern last year, and the reason the Board moved forward with a short-term BAN, was that there was interest by PBR to have an equitable interest in the park or managing it. The concern was that if the Town moves to a long-term bond, if the interest is tax exempt as it is right now, the tax-exempt status would not allow the Town to enter into a relationship with PBR. If the bond is not tax-exempt then the Town could enter into such relationship.

Attorney DelVecchio explained that like the renewal of the BAN in January 2020, moving forward with a 1-year BAN would mean a fee to fiscal advisors and to bond council in NYC. An interest payment and principal payment must also be made (as budgeted for).

Councilman Withey voiced concerns with the fees and not moving forward with a long-term bond. He stated he was concerned that PBR has not moved forward. He asked, if it were not for the COVID-19 pandemic, would the Town be negotiating with them?

Supervisor Williams indicated that he would be meeting with representatives from PBR to discuss building two new fields on January 5, 2021.

Councilman Withey asked for more information regarding the renewal of the BAN. Discussion was moved to the Special Town Board Meeting scheduled for December 28, 2020.

Response to Mr. Morse-Ackley and Proposed Amendments to the Town Solar Law:

Attorney DelVecchio: Yes, yes. My third issue has to do with Solar stuff. I just want to address the comments made by Mr. Morse-Ackley. Mr. Morse-Ackley actually made about 10 inaccurate or misinformed statements that I counted. Basically I'll comment on the McLean Solar project. This is a very legally complicated matter, I'm not going to.... I could sit here and talk to you for about two hours about what has happened, but basically we have a situation where this company is attempting to get approved to put a solar project on a residential property. And, it's not zoned properly for what they want to do. What they have done, over a number of months, is exercise every... almost every legal option that they have in order to attempt to make that happen. First, they attempted to file a Change of Zone application. That process played out. Ultimately, the Town Board at the time denied that request. They then did a, I forgot the name, but it was a... it's...

Town Resident Peter Morse-Ackley: Zoning Overlay?

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: Overlay Zone?

Attorney DelVecchio: Overlay Zone excuse me. Yes, an Overlay Zone request. That process played itself out. And was denied by the Town Board. Their basically last option here is to file a Use Variance application in front of the Zoning Board of Appeals. And that has been done. The Zoning Board of Appeals has requested or consented that the Planning Board be lead agency with respect to SEQR. A SEQR determination has to be done prior to the Zoning Board of Appeals taking up that Use Variance application. Zoning... excuse me the Planning Board has acted on that. A positive declaration with respect to SEQR was, the finding by the Planning Board. And now the applicant has decided to address that positive declaration by attempting to jump through the Hula-Hoops of going through the scoping and the preparation of an environmental impact statement to possibly convince the Planning Board to overturn its own decision to make that positive declaration finding. I will tell you one hundred percent that I have not acted in any sort of biased fashion in favor of the applicant. If you know me well, never do I express any bias, especially in... in any sort of Zoning and Planning situation with the Town. I was on the Planning Board for, I think five or six years. Made several important decisions that affected the Town, and now that I'm Town Attorney I get to see these things from a different perspective, and again I've no bias. I have assisted the respective Boards through the legal process. And the applicant has gone through, and exercised its options. Not the Town. The Town is not doing anything other than following the law. I take my tasks in my job very seriously, and again I think the time has done a very good job in going through that process. That's all I have to say about that. As far as the potential changes to the Zoning Law. You have them in front of you. I formally have gone through the Code and created some language based on the recommendations that were made by the Planning Board. Before you formally consider going through that process and adopting those changes, I want to let everybody know that I did talk

to... I brought this up before, I did talk to a gentleman who is employed by NYSERDA. His name is Ian Latimer, and he is willing to do a Zoom meeting with the Town Board, and by the way, any members of the Planning Board, or any member of the public in the Town of Cortlandville to discuss Cortlandville's Solar Law. Discuss any of these proposed modifications to the Solar Code. And discuss battery or energy storage. As you know, we don't have a... well, the next facet of Zoning, in my opinion, is battery storage. The solar companies are going to put in machinery and all sorts of things to not only produce the energy, but then they're going to store it. And I believe that the Town, at some point, should adopt a special code to govern situations involving that. And Mr. Latimer has a wealth of knowledge in that arena and a wealth of knowledge in the Solar arena all together. And, he and I have discussed basically the hot-button issues that have come up in the Solar arena in the Town of Cortlandville. So he is... he's willing to do it. We have a Special Meeting schedule for December 2....

Supervisor Williams: 28th.

Attorney DelVecchio: 28th. I'm sorry. And he is willing to come and do that Zoom meeting at 4:00 P.M. on that day. If you are all willing and want him to come. Obviously we could have him come, do a presentation, he's even willing to do sort of a question and answer thing. Obviously, you know, it'll be for an hour or however long you want it. He's willing to even go as long as you want, and once that's over with we can go on with our business for what that, you know, what that Special Meeting is intended for... for other reasons. I think it's probably a good idea based on my discussion with him, and his... I mean the guy is a guru on the stuff. It might be a good idea for you to hold off on considering these changes to our Solar Law, until you hear from him. He will speak squarely on some of those changes, and I think it's beneficial for you to hear him.

Councilman Withey: Couple things John. I would love to do this meeting. These proposed changes to the Solar law can we accept, and file, and review these?

Attorney DelVecchio: Certainly.

Councilman Withey: I think that would be appropriate. And so, everyone can read it. Chris or whoever can talk ahead of Mr. Latimer and so we were kind of all on the same page with that. Regressing just a little bit, if Solar I doesn't fit with our Comprehensive Plan and they want to put it onto residential property, R1 property, why is it still moving ahead? Is this something... is this a process that we have to do? Why can't we say it doesn't fit with the Comprehensive Plan, end of story?

Attorney DelVecchio: If we did that, Doug, we would get sued in five minutes.

Councilman Withey: Okay. Well we don't want that. I have to pose that question. If I am going to a scoping session for the SEQR process...

Attorney DelVecchio: I'm not... it cut out... I'm sorry.

Councilman Withey: No, it's probably on my end. So, we have to do a scoping session now, as it relates to the SEQR process, the positive dec.

Attorney DelVecchio: Correct. So what the applicant has done is provided a Draft Scope to the Planning Board. And all that is basically a table of contents for what is to come later, the Environmental Impact statement. And the prerogative for all that stuff is for the applicants to present any information or plans that they have to address any of the environmental concerns that were deemed to be significant by the Planning Board. Ultimately, after that presentation is made, the applicant will be asking the Planning Board to take a vote to potentially decide whether or not the significant environmental concerns have been addressed enough to then, you know, warrant a negative declaration on SEQR. If the Planning Board upholds the positive declaration at that point in time the project will die.

Councilman Withey: Okay, okay. Thanks for enlightening me and the others on that. Okay.

Supervisor Williams: So later in the agenda we have a receipt of the proposed law and you're suggesting that we schedule this if everybody wants, to schedule this training session, I guess let's call it or a question and answer session with the NYSERDA guy on the 28th at 4:00 P.M. Is that correct John?

Attorney DelVecchio: That's my suggestion, yes.

Supervisor Williams: I don't know that we need to have a formal resolution on this. Are we in favor of that?

Councilman Withey: Doug is.

Councilman Cobb: I am.

Supervisor Williams: Jeff?

Councilman Guido: Yea, I'm in favor.

Supervisor Williams: Teddy?

Councilman Testa: No problem.

Supervisor Williams: Okay, let's set that up for 4:00 P.M. on the 28th. Kristin you've made note of that? And John, you'll reach out to, I can't think of his name, you'll reach out to your guy?

Attorney DelVecchio: Yeah Kristin, I'm going to give you his email address so that you can send him that Zoom link. He does Zoom all day long so he's very... it's easy for him to just sign on.

Town Clerk Rocco-Petrella: Now do you expect the... my only comment is, your meeting is at 5:00 P.M. for the Special Town Board meeting. Do you want to just amend your time to start at 4:00 P.M. for the Special Meeting in case you run over an hour with Mr...

Supervisor Williams: That's a good point. Let's make it one meeting and we'll just amend that on the website and whatnot. We'll start at 4:00 P.M. and we'll end up where we end up.

Councilman Withey: I have a question Tom.

Supervisor Williams: Yea.

Councilman Withey: Could we... I think John said that Mr. Latimer is willing to come to us, is that correct?

Attorney DelVecchio: He is.

Councilman Withey: Could we have the Board meet with Mr. Latimer in person. With separation and all that. And also have the Zoom going with that. Cause it's just, for me, it's a lot... a lot more comfortable than Zoom. So I just question if we could segment that so that Mr. Latimer and the Board only meet, and then have Zoom there as well. Is that possible?

Supervisor Williams: Anything is possible. The problem is we're working very hard at getting and maintaining a separation in the building. As I mentioned...

Councilman Withey: Right, I understand that.

Supervisor Williams: ...at the last meeting, we have Clerks here and Clerks there and we've got Court people here, Court people there. We're trying to get people either working from home or separated as best they can to try to prevent some kind of infection. Luckily we have not had... we have not had one infection in the building and we're very happy with that. But, we just... I think we need, at least for the next month or two, to really buckle down and be good about it. So, I would hesitate to do that. Plus, John has suggested that perhaps the Planning Board, in total, would like to meet with us at 4:00 P.M., or be part of this with the expert.

Attorney DelVecchio: You have the chairman of the Planning Board here.

Supervisor Williams: I see that. Chris, do you want to reach out to your folks and see if that's a possibility on the 28th.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: Absolutely, I'll send out an invitation to those and then Kristin can set up the Zoom to those Planning Board members that want to attend.

Supervisor Williams: Okay, if those who do just let her know and then she... when she sets her meeting up she can do the invitation directly to them and then it'll all be in one package.

Planning Board Member Nasrin Parvizi: Chris it's fine with me.

Supervisor Williams: Thanks Nasrin. You're the one we want there.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: Absolutely, but...

Attorney DelVecchio: Oh, there she is.

Planning Board Member Nasrin Parvizi: Yea, I was here all along.

Attorney DelVecchio: Oh, I didn't know.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: Don't we need feet in that one Solar Amendment? I think we talked about 100 feet from a lot line and 500 from a resident?

Attorney DelVecchio: Yea, it's... that if you look at the agenda that one's in there.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: Without numbers...

Attorney DelVecchio: I formalized those recommended changes and referenced all the applicable provisions. The only one that I did not put in there is the, sort of, mitigation one with the percentages and I spoke with Mr. Latimer about that one as well, and he's going to be prepared to comment about it.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: Great, okay, thank you.

Supervisor Williams: I am thinking if we are together, whether it's on a computer or in-person we might be able to get this thing pretty much ironed out, and and move it to Public Hearing and get this on down the road.

Councilman Withey: When I look at the distances, Got a little feedback there. Is that the consensus? Chris? Or Nasrin? Or John?

Attorney DelVecchio: So we're just talking... I'll just comment. Sorry Chris and Nasrin, but Doug is talking about the setback issue with respect to Solar being used as a primary use on any property. And, what we have now, correct me if I'm wrong Nasrin or Chris, I think it's 50 feet from any property line.

Planning Board Member Nasrin Parvizi: It is... it is based on the zone of that property. If it is Ag it would be follow Ag. If it is Industrial it would follow that.

Attorney DelVecchio: Understood. And so what's been discussed by the Planning Board, as a recommendation, is 100 feet from any property line or 500 feet from any domiciliary residents. Mr. Latimer's comment, you'll hear this from him, is 500 feet is a lot. But, he also made mention of setbacks being used from any residences on other properties as well. Not the property in question. He said that that has been a very handy-dandy thing that he's seen and talked about to several municipalities. And you're going to hear that as well. So that's perhaps something else that we can think about.

Planning Board Chair Chris Newell: That would be good to hear him on the 28th.

Supervisor Williams: Alright. So let's set Solar on the table until the 28th. You all have the proposed changes to the law printed, or on your computer at least. While I'm mentioning computers. Have all of you that have Chromebooks gotten your cover, your case?

Councilman Withey: Yes, Doug. Yes.

Councilman Cobb: No.

Supervisor Williams: Well there's one in the Clerk's Office for you next time you get there.

Councilman Cobb: Yup. Okay. Mhmmm

Supervisor Williams: It makes it easier to carry around, protects them.

Town Clerk Rocco-Petrella: Tom?

Supervisor Williams: Yes.

Town Clerk Rocco-Petrella: I'm sorry to interrupt. We... you formally approved, adopted a Resolution to schedule that Special Meeting for 4:00 P.M., I'm sorry. So would you mind just amending that for me by Resolution so I...

Supervisor Williams: Okay. Let's have a Resolution to set a Special Meeting for 4:00 P.M. not 5:00 P.M. but for 4:00 P.M. on the 28th of December, to discuss, I think three things now. The Solar Law, perhaps. The other thing we're going to be discussing is the money to the Fire Department. And, of course we have to close out all of the leftover... the year end bills that haven't been paid. Those are the three things we have to specify in the announcements for the Special Meeting. What we are meeting for. And those would be the three things. Is that enough Kristin?

Town Clerk Rocco-Petrella: Yes.

Councilman Cobb: I'll make that motion.

Supervisor Williams: Thank you. Do we have a second?

Councilman Testa: I'll second it.

Supervisor Williams: Thank you Teddy. All those in favor? Tom aye.

Councilman Withey: Doug aye.

Councilman Testa: Ted aye.

Councilman Cobb: Jay aye.

Councilman Guido: Jeff aye.

Supervisor Williams: Thank you. John, anything else?

Attorney DelVecchio: Tom, I'm done. Thank you very much.

RESOLUTION #329 AMEND TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #320 OF 2020
ADOPTED DECEMBER 2, 2020 TO SCHEDULE SPECIAL
TOWN BOARD MEETING FOR DECEMBER 28, 2020 AT
4:00 PM

Motion by Councilman Cobb

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby amend Town Board Resolution #320 of 2020 adopted December 2, 2020 to schedule a Special Town Board Meeting for Monday, December 28, 2020 at 4:00 pm to be held electronically via Zoom conference call/video conference for the purpose of conducting year-end business, such as paying the year-end bills; to take action on the expenditure of \$300,000 as an emergency payment to the Town of Cortlandville Fire District from the Town's Water Improvement Capital Reserve Fund; and to conduct a workshop regarding the Town's Solar Law and Battery Energy Storage Systems, and it is further

RESOLVED, the link to register for the virtual meeting will be posted to the Town's website and published in the *Cortland Standard*.

Town Board reports:

Councilman Withey asked for an update regarding the following: the status of the Town's project with Siemens Smart Infrastructure for LED streetlights; update regarding the status of the sign for Park Outdoor Advertising on property owned by the Town; Recreation Committee; and the Bennie Road stop signs.

Supervisor Williams responded that the Town's LED streetlight project was before the public service commission at this time; there was nothing further to report regarding the Bennie Road stop signs; and the Park Outdoor Advertising proposal would be before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Supervisor Williams reported:

Homecoming for Cortlandville Resident, Ivan Roskos:

Supervisor Williams commented on the homecoming of 7-year-old Town resident, Ivan Roskos. For the last several months Ivan has been away from his family seeking treatment for a serious medical condition. Today, Ivan had an incredible, joyous homecoming. He was met at the Route 281 and Interstate 81 exit by the Homer Fire Department and Police Department, who escorted him and his family to the Homer Elementary School where all the Elementary kids were out to greet him. From there he was joined by the Sheriff's Department, Cortlandville Fire Department, Highway Department, Water/Sewer Department to escort him home, where he had a crowd of family and friends to welcome him home. Town Clerk Rocco-Petrella, Councilman Testa and many others were in attendance. It was reported to be a very emotional and heartwarming occasion. The *Cortland Standard*, News Channel 9 and the *Cortland Voice* were on site to report Ivan's homecoming. One of the Fire Commissioners, Kevin Whitney, invited Ivan into the Cortlandville Fire Truck to sound the siren and run the lights. Supervisor Williams stated that would have been a thrill to a young boy. He thanked the many people who attended the welcome home ceremony and thanked the Town officials and residents for honoring Ivan.

Supervisor Williams asked for a motion to adopt a resolution that the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandville welcomes Ivan Roskos back to our community after receiving medical treatment out of state and wishes him well for this season and for a speedy and continued recovery.

RESOLUTION #330	RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND WELCOME IVAN ROSKOS HOME TO THE TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE
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Motion by Councilman Testa

Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandville hereby honors and welcomes Ivan Roskos home to the Town of Cortlandville and Cortland County community after receiving medical treatment for several months outside of New York State and away from his family, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Town Board extends their heartfelt well wishes to Ivan and his family for this holiday season and for a speedy and continued recovery.

Recognition to Bookkeeper Johnson:

Supervisor Williams recognized Bookkeeper Megan Johnson for her hard work and success this semester with the two online classes she took through Plattsburg College towards her bachelor's degree. The Board congratulated Mrs. Johnson.

Renewal of Mobile Home Park Permits:

Supervisor Williams apprised the Board he received a memorandum today from CEO Campbell regarding compliance of the Landmark Mobile Home Park and Cortland Estates Mobile Home Park. After her last inspection, the Landmark Mobile Home Park had no violations, while Cortland Estates rectified ninety percent of the violations. CEO Campbell recommended the Board approve both permits for the year 2021 with the understanding that continuous progress will be made to the park

RESOLUTION #331 AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF MOBILE HOME PARK PERMIT
FOR LANDMARK MOBILE HOME PARK FOR 2021

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

WHEREAS, Cortland MHP Associates, Inc., of Pittsford, New York, owner, submitted a completed application and the appropriate fee of \$35.00 for the renewal of the Landmark Mobile Home Park Permit for property located at 1030-1038 Route 13 in the Town of Cortlandville, tax map #96.09-04-09.000, and

WHEREAS, the Town Code Enforcement Officer, Desiree Campbell conducted an inspection of the Mobile Home Park on October 21 and 29, 2020 and December 2, 2020 and submitted her inspection reports to the Town Board for review, and

WHEREAS, CEO Campbell noted violations which have been satisfied per the final re-inspection of the site conducted on December 14, 2020, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby approve the Mobile Home Park Permit Renewal for Cortland MHP Associates, Inc. for the Landmark Mobile Home Park for the year 2021, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the Mobile Home Park Permit, which shall be valid until December 31, 2021, at which point the permit must be renewed.

RESOLUTION #332 AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF MOBILE HOME PARK PERMIT
FOR CORTLAND ESTATES TRAILER PARK FOR 2020

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

WHEREAS, Cortland MHP Associates Inc. of Pittsford, New York, owner, submitted a completed application and the appropriate fee of \$945.00 for the renewal of the Cortland Estates Mobile Home Park Permit for property located at 1054 Route 13 in the Town of Cortlandville, tax map #96.09-04-10.000, and

WHEREAS, Town Code Enforcement Officer, Desiree Campbell conducted an inspection of the Mobile Home Park on October 21 and 29, 2020 and December 2, 2020 and submitted her inspection reports to the Town Board for review, and

WHEREAS, CEO Campbell noted numerous violations of which ninety percent of the violations have been satisfied per the final re-inspection of the site conducted on December 14, 2020, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of CEO Campbell the Town Board does hereby approve the Mobile Home Park Permit Renewal for Cortland MHP Associates, Inc. for Cortland Estates Mobile Home Park for the year 2021 with the understanding that continuous progress will be made to the park, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the Mobile Home Park Permit, which shall be valid until December 31, 2021, at which point the permit must be renewed.

Highway Department Equipment:

Supervisor Williams apprised the Board that the new truck for the Highway Department should be delivered soon. Highway Sup't. Drach was interested in purchasing another new 10-wheeler in the future and was told that if the Town commits to purchasing the same truck next year the same price would be guaranteed. Due to rising prices and uncertainties with impacts of COVID-19 pandemic, the Board was interested in pursuing the possibility.

RESOLUTION #333 AUTHORIZE HIGHWAY SUP'T. DRACH TO PURSUE THE
PROCUREMENT OF A NEW 10-WHEELER DUMP TRUCK
FROM THE SAME VENDOR USED IN 2020 (STATE BID
LIST) TO BE PURCHASED AT A LATER DATE

Motion by Councilman Testa

Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent to pursue the procurement of a new 10-wheeler dump truck from the same vendor used in 2020 (State bid list) to be purchased at a later date.

Councilman Withey asked for a list of the Highway Department vehicles and the age of the fleet. Highway Sup't. Drach would provide the information at a later date. Councilman Cobb and Supervisor Williams explained that Highway Sup't. Drach was trying to get the fleet on a seven-year rotation.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Draft Comprehensive Plan, with Planning Board Chairman, Chris Newell bringing the matter up for discussion. Supervisor Williams suggested the Board schedule a workshop at a later date to discuss the Comprehensive Plan as well as the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan that was already accepted.

Planning Board Member Parvizi suggested that the Board focus on the fundamental parts of the Draft Comprehensive Plan: The Executive Summary; Chapter 4, recommendations; and Chapter 5, the action plan.

Members of the Board indicated that they were in the process of reading or had read the Plan. Councilman Withey commented that some of the maps need additional layers, and he had suggestions for a couple of things that he thought should be in the Table of Contents.

Supervisor Williams explained that he tasked Councilman Guido with being the Board expert on the Comprehensive Plan, and asked Councilman Cobb to do the same with the Town's Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan. He again suggested that a workshop be held in January 2021. The Board could then move the Plan to a public hearing and a vote. The Board would then have to talk about the actual implementation of both plans.

Resignation from Reception Clerk/Computer Technology Educator:

Supervisor Williams announced that he received a resignation from Nick Alteri, Reception Clerk/Computer Technology Educator to be effective December 31, 2020. Mr. Alteri has another career as a college professor and would be dedicating his time to such, although he may be available to assist the Town in the future. Supervisor Williams requested the Board accept Mr. Alteri's resignation.

Town Clerk Rocco-Petrella thanked Mr. Alteri and expressed her deep appreciation for his service to the Town of Cortlandville, especially throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Members of the Board concurred.

RESOLUTION #334 ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM NICHOLAS ALTERI AS
"RECEPTION CLERK / COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY
EDUCATOR" FOR THE TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2020

Motion by Councilman Guido

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby accept, with regret, the resignation from Nicholas Alteri as Reception Clerk/Computer Technology Educator for the Town of Cortlandville, to be effective December 31, 2020.

**RESOLUTION #335 ESTABLISH SCHEDULE OF TOWN BOARD MEETINGS
FOR THE YEAR 2021**

Motion by Councilman Testa

Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the regular meetings of the Town Board of the Town of Cortlandville shall be held at the Municipal Garage, 3587 Terrace Road, Cortland, New York on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 5:00 pm, and if such day should fall on a holiday, the meeting shall be held the next business day, and it is further

RESOLVED, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, if a regular meeting(s) of the Town Board cannot be conducted in person, the meeting(s) will be held electronically via Zoom conference call/video conference and the electronic meeting registration link will be posted to the Town's website (cortlandville.org) and available at the Office of the Town Clerk, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Town Clerk shall have the meeting schedule posted in the newspaper in Legal Notice form.

RESOLUTION #336 APPROVE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2021

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the following Holiday Schedule for the year 2021 is hereby approved as follows:

New Year's Day	Friday	January 01, 2021
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Monday	January 18, 2021
President's Day	Monday	February 15, 2021
Memorial Day	Monday	May 31, 2021
Independence Day	Sunday	July 04, 2021
Independence Day observed*	Monday	July 05, 2021
Labor Day	Monday	September 06, 2021
Columbus Day	Monday	October 11, 2021
Election Day	Tuesday	November 02, 2021
Veterans Day	Thursday	November 11, 2021
	Wednesday*	November 24, 2021 (close at 12:00 p.m.)
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 25, 2021
	Friday*	November 26, 2021
	Thursday*	December 23, 2021 (close at 12:00 pm)
Christmas Eve Day	Friday	December 24, 2021
Christmas Day	Saturday	December 25, 2021
New Year's Eve	Friday	December 31, 2021

*Holiday Observation

**RESOLUTION #337 AUTHORIZE TOWN BOARD TO SIGN THE COMMERCIAL
CRIME COVERAGE POLICY FOR THE TOWN OF
CORTLANDVILLE FOR THE YEAR 2021**

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Guido

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0

ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board is hereby authorized and directed to sign the Commercial Crime Coverage Policy for the Town of Cortlandville for the year 2021, agreeing to the coverage for the elected, appointed officials and all other Town employees.

RESOLUTION #338 APPOINT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE TO VOTE AT
THE ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS ANNUAL MEETING

Motion by Councilman Withey
Seconded by Councilman Guido

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0
ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, Supervisor Thomas A. Williams is hereby appointed as Delegate, and Deputy Supervisor Jay E. Cobb, is hereby appointed as Alternate, to represent the Town of Cortlandville at the Annual Association of Towns Training School and Meetings to be held virtually February 14-17, 2021.

RESOLUTION #339 ACCEPT THE TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE - SUMMARY
PLAN DESCRIPTION AS A POLICY FOR MEDICAL,
DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES AND
ELECTED OFFICIALS, RETIRED ELECTED OFFICIALS,
RETIRED EMPLOYEES, AND UPON DEATH OF ACTIVE
EMPLOYEE/ELECTED OFFICIAL

Motion by Councilman Testa
Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0
ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby accept the Town of Cortlandville “Summary Plan Description” as Policy for Medical, Dental and Vision Insurance for Employees and Elected Officials, Retired Elected Officials, Retired Employees, and Upon Death of an Active Employee/Elected Official (effective January 1, 2014, Revised April 5, 2017).

RESOLUTION #340 ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW
TO AMEND PART II OF GENERAL LEGISLATION OF THE
CODE OF THE TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE, PART 2,
ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 178 – SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

Motion by Councilman Withey
Seconded by Councilman Cobb

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0
ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby acknowledge receipt of a proposed Local Law of 2020 to amend Part II of General Legislation of the Code of the Town of Cortlandville, Part 2, Article 1, Chapter 178 – Solar Energy Systems, as prepared by the Town Attorney.

RESOLUTION #341 ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE DRAFT
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (DECEMBER 2020) FOR THE
TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE

Motion by Councilman Cobb
Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0
ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby acknowledge receipt of the Draft Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Cortlandville, dated December 2020, as submitted by CHA Consulting and the Comprehensive Plan Committee, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Draft Comprehensive Plan is hereby received and filed.

RESOLUTION #342 AUTHORIZE PAYMENT APPLICATION NO. 2 SUBMITTED
BY G. DEVINCENTIS & SON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY,
INC. FOR THE TOWN OF CORTLANDVILLE
MISCELLANEOUS WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT

Motion by Councilman Withey

Seconded by Councilman Testa

VOTES: AYE – Williams, Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey NAY – 0
ADOPTED

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize and direct the Supervisor to execute Payment Application No. 2 as recommended by CHA for the Town of Cortlandville Miscellaneous Water and Sewer Improvements Project, for payment in the amount of \$377,577.50 to G. DeVincentis & Son Construction Company, Inc., to reflect work completed to date (\$491,330.00) minus the previous applications for payment (\$89,186.00) and the five percent retainage (\$24,566.50).

The final matter to come before the Board was the presentation from Water & Sewer Sup't. Peter Alteri regarding the possible location of a new production well in the Town. Discussion was had as follows:

Supervisor Williams: Ah yes. I said I was going to get to that. Peter, he's been sitting here all night. First of all, I want to thank him for doing this presentation. As you know we have been studying our water situation in the Town. There's no better person better to discuss that with than Peter. As you will recall back earlier in the year there was a situation with the City that we could opt in to paying for actually as it turned out 25% of a \$50,000 Grant, it was a matching fund grant from the state to study the engineering feasibility of connecting the City water with... water system with our water system. At the time we took a look at that and voted to go ahead with that. As I jokingly say about 20 minutes later the pandemic hit and that all sort of went by the wayside. I've since had a communication from the mayor of Cortland asking where we stood with that. And, to be quite honest the conversation, as you know, has gone from tying in with the City to exploring the possibility of putting in our own well, a new production well. And, what's driving this is we felt need that we should probably have a production well somewhere upstream from the gravel operation... gravel mining operation in South Cortland. So, that's the background. I would like to give the mayor and answer. So that's part of the discussion we will have perhaps in executive session. But I asked Peter to give us sort of a quick overview of what we're finding out from our engineering folks as to where a well location might be and sort of his feelings about the plusses and minuses of both of those plans. Peter the floor is yours.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Peter Alteri: So I was hoping you'd forget. My car was started I was ready to go.

Supervisor Williams: Oh, stop.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Alright, Nick helped me put a little presentation together so I'm just hoping I can make this happen but I'm not quite sure where would you want me to start from.

Supervisor Williams: Peter, wherever you want. I'm thinking... maybe give us an overview of what you think is in the best interest of the Town as far as Water Production into the future.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: All right.

Supervisor Williams: As we're going we realize we need more water. As time goes by and you're it. You know, if we were playing tag it would be you're it now.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: So I'm not sure if I'm going to be able to get this slide presentation up like Nick had it, but we did look at three options with the City and... oh there's the angel he's getting it up for me. So we looked at three options with the City of Cortland and you had spoke with the City and they were receptive with us tying into their system. So the first option as you can probably can see it on your screen that would come at a cost of \$3,424,000.00 and what that entails is basically tying into their Water Works plant on Broadway and running

approximately 4000 feet of main through the Water Works to tie in with a 10 inch being out on Route 281. It's quite a bit of money. We'd have to have a booster station in line there. Anything we do with the City of Cortland or any other municipalities for that fact, we'd have to have a Booster Station because their tank is a bit lower than ours so we have to boost their water into our sources. Also tying in with the City on Broadway and that was at either Adkins Ave and the City water and we would run the main behind early 2000 feet of the 6-inch pipe that is back there. But we would be running a line and tying into a 12-inch main. The cost of that again as you can see it \$2,827,000.00. Quite a bit of money and we would need a Booster Station for this as well.

Supervisor Williams: Peter can you hear us?

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: A third option... Fisher Road tank. It's a 3-million-gallon storage tank... a lot shorter which would reduce the cost City system and have to run 300 feet of 16-inch pipe and we could tie into a... 18-inch main that we have I mean that we have right there on Saunders Road \$2,328,000.00. It's... yup, I can. Can you hear me?

Councilman Testa: We can hear you.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Hello?

Councilman Cobb: I can hear you now, Pete.

Councilman Testa: I can hear you.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Can you hear me?

Supervisor Williams: Yup.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: So where did you lose me? Where did you lose me?

Supervisor Williams: We've got you sort of garbled through some of this. So we're... we're up to options three. I think between you and the pictures I think we have an idea of where we are.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Okay. Can you still hear me?

Supervisor Williams: Yea. Hey Nick, are you on the line Nick?

Reception Clerk/Computer Technology Educator Nick Alteri: Yeah yes.

Supervisor Williams: Would it be beneficial for him to reach out over the phone.

Reception Clerk/CTE Alteri: It's a possibility yeah.

Supervisor Williams: I mean he could use a cell phone or landline and call in. You're taking care of the pictures anyway so maybe that would work.

Reception Clerk/CTE Alteri: One moment. All right, so here we are. So he's going to talk.

Supervisor Williams: Alright. Thank you. Peter?

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: You can hear me now? Alright so I went through the other two options?

Reception Clerk/CTE Alteri: Yes, we're on three.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: So I don't need to start with the other ones?

Reception Clerk/CTE Alteri: Nope.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Okay. So number three option would be a shorter and less expensive option and that's obviously \$2,328,000.00 and that would entail running 300 foot of 16-inch pipe into an 18-inch main that's Cortlandville's right on Saunders Road. Again, with all these we'd always... we'd have to have a Booster Station obviously because of our tank elevation

differences. We got looking at all these options and decided that with what could potentially happened with Rocks 13 and they're probably going to get their permit to remaining a hundred feet into our aquifer. We might want to look up stream of that because I don't think it's a matter of if they pollute the water supply, I think it's just a matter of when. So we looked up, Tom I guess was in conversation with Byrne Dairy and explained the situation and ask them if they'd be willing to assist us in some way either with some land acquisition of theirs or possibly financially on backing some of the project and they were receptive to discussing this in some manner, so we picked out three, possibly four locations in the Byrne Hollow sight. Nick, can you go to that next one there. And the top three were the initial locations. That's probably about a thousand feet or so from the gravel mine but it is up stream. And then the fourth location is down closer to 13. That might have been a little more of a concern because if there is some kind of fuel spill being that 13 is traveled so much, it could have potential impact on the well, but it certainly would be another option. There is an 8-inch and a 12-inch main that runs around that Byrne Hollow so the piping would be minimal. Probably be looking at maybe a 1300 gallon a minute pump and that does sit right over the aquifer and in fact that portion that those top three potential sites... where that sits in the aquifer is the highest yielding portion of the aquifer. It's a narrow band and... Nick if you click to the next one... so here, number one is the Gutchess Lumber Sports Complex, number two is the proposed three wells, and on the Byrne Hollows property, number three is our Lime Hollow well, number four is our Terrace Road well, and number five is the City. And number six there, in red, is the mining, South Cortland mining pit. So if they up needing to get their permit and they're into or Aquifer I think the potential is really great that they're going to... at some point in the history of that mine, they're going to pollute everything downstream of that. So if we weren't able to put a well where number two we'd be above that and the direction of flow in the Aquifer is those arrows. And, if you look over to the left the arrows point south there's Gracie Road there that's the groundwater divide. So part of the Aquifer on the southside of Gracie Road goes South and then the rest of it goes North. So the only disadvantage with probably having a well site at number two is that even though a pump test might show a good indication of a lot of water the sustainability might not be as much. But I really don't see... I'm not sure of a lot of options given that mining company might get the green light to do what they're going to do. So I'm open for suggestions we've had Clough Harbor look at all of this and I don't know where we could put another well to alleviate any potential contamination in the future. And, we do need another... another site. We currently... our Terrace Road well is just keeping up. If we were to lose say Lime Hollow for whatever reason then the Terrace Road well would struggle keeping up, and we don't have any other means to take care of our system. We're in great shape now, but we need to start looking now because a new well... the process is probably going to take about three years... three and a half years. By the time you get through the permitting fees the, Susquehanna River Basin, it could be quite a while down the road before anything actually gets online. We just went through a permitting... re-permitting for our wells in the Town and it took three years to complete that and a cost of \$80,000.00. So it's not a small task and it's something that really needs to be started sooner than later. The options of tying into the City are a good alternative. I would say if the mining wasn't doing what they're doing that might be something to strongly consider. At the lower amount up on Saunders Road, but I'm not comfortable at all with what's happening in South Cortland and I'm kind of really surprised that the media hasn't picked up on this and really gone after it in the paper cause it's been discussed for a couple of years now and the Board's written letters to DEC, and a congressman, and the cities been apart of that, Soil & Water, the Health Department and this doesn't seem to be making any headway. And, I'm really surprised that... I don't know what we can do to stop them from doing it, but we need to be ready for any potential issues in the future whatever way we go.

Supervisor Williams: One of the problems that we've discussed is the fact that where the location of the mine operation is we are obviously downstream to our production well, also to our Terrace Road well, and unfortunately downstream from all of that is the City's source. So if there is... if a source of pollution enters in the mining operation it'll hit us, but... and I don't know the length of time to get from A to B, but it's pretty obvious that the City will... will be experiencing the same problem down the road. I don't know if it's days, weeks, months? I don't know how fast that water flows. Peter might have an idea, but it... I think... you look at the map and it's pretty certain that water is going to flow to the City. So, by positioning a well, if we get an adequate supply, in the grand scheme of things might be best for all of us. So that if there is a pollution source then maybe that well could satisfy the needs for everybody. I don't know that, but that was one of the discussion points we've had.

Councilman Withey: Can I add to this?

Supervisor Williams: Sure.

Councilman Withey: Pete you said that the well that you can put it out there on Byrne Dairy, you mentioned sustainability. What did you mean by sustainability?

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Well based on the 2013 Water Supply Assessments they had determined, probably from their testing that because it's on the edge of the divide, the groundwater divide.

Councilman Withey: Yup.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: To get an initial yield quite a bit but to sustain it overtime obviously how that water moves in the ground you might not be able to pull a lot of water continuously so I mean if the City's pumping 3 million and we're at a million or whatever and we had to run just this well to supply us and the City that might not work. You know, to take her both the Town and the City.

Councilman Withey: Yea I agree with you. I'm pretty sure that it wouldn't work. Talking about Booster Stations, have they looked at the TDH for the City's wells? Cause I know our tanks are lower but I'm not sure what the TDH is for those wells. It may be enough TDH to take care of your tanks as well. So has that been looked at?

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: In order, our tanks... the finished floor elevation is 1,364 and the City's is like 1,249 plus or minus. In order to feed our higher elevations I don't know if it could be pushed into the system.

Councilman Withey: Well that's what I wonder. The TDH, those are big wells as you know, and we never had to worry about the TDH because we... we... we... knew that what we had took care of our tanks. But I'm not so sure that it wouldn't necessarily feel Cortlandville's tanks as well. So that would be something that we should look.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Yea.

Councilman Withey: That means you don't have to have a Booster Station. I'm sorry.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: So that would involve putting check valves or some kind of closing valves, altitude valves, in your... in the City's tank otherwise they would overflow in trying to push it into ours.

Councilman Withey: Correct. And they're far cheaper than Booster Station. One other site that I don't know if they look at or not but over on Madison Street. That street has 12-inch water main right up to probably within 200 feet of the intersection of 281. I don't know if anybody looked at that so... and you just put a new 10 or 12-inch main up to 281.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: There's a 10-inch main. Yeah we looked at tying in from the Water Works for Akins or the Water Works itself either behind, right near Tops which is a 12-inch main or run into the Water Works to the 10-inch main out on 281.

Councilman Withey: Right, but have you looked at Madison Street?

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: No.

Councilman Withey: Okay cause that water main goes right up there right to the City line. So whatever it is there from the City to tie into your 10-inch main that's substantially less, your water main, okay?

Supervisor Williams: But if the City water is potentially contaminated by misadventure out in South Cortland, what good does having all those mains... what good is getting water from the City if the City's water is polluted?

Councilman Withey: Okay so let's... let's back up just a bit. Let's say it does get contaminated. Alright. Where's the City going to get water from? Okay. So I think we need to look at more than just a parochial provision of what our needs are and look at more of a consolidation effort. And we're looking at potential contamination. We lived through it once here at Smith Corona. I agree with Pete, we don't want to go through that. But if we put in a well that's not going to be sustainable, then we haven't solved the long-range potential problem. So, I'm with Pete for the most part. This needs to be looked at, without a doubt. I'm not sure if we're there ready to...

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: We're concerned about where our water's coming from, and like you said, if the City gets polluted where they getting their water from?

Councilman Withey: Yea.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: They're not concerned about the Rocks 13. How come they're not coming out and helping us to stop this or prevent it. They've got a stake in this as much as we do. So I agree. Where are they going to get their water from? I've been thinking about it now.

Councilman Withey: No absolutely. That's why I say so. I'm not sure what conversations have been had, but I'd like to see what their stance is. If they're behind us, as well they should be, cause I mean they're... let's see, they're doing something around two and a half million gallons a day at the present. At one time we were up to 5.5 million gallons a day. So the water's there. The water quality is there, right now. And course we always have to be considering, hey what if. What if there's contamination. And you know, I've been a strong advocate for protecting the Aquifer. That's why I fight so hard on gas stations and such. So, I'm on board with you I just... I'd like to know number one, what the TDH is. If the TDH is adequate then all right let's... let's look at, you know, making a tie in there and just put in some altitude valves. And, right now that would solve problems as we know them today. Okay? So our problem for the Town is lack of adequate water supply. You wouldn't have that with a tie in with the City. Okay so just my points that I'd like to see raised and get some answers to.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: Yeah, I don't think we have a lack of water supply at this time, it's the threat of the future. And I don't want to be reactive I want to be proactive and...

Councilman Withey: Yup.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: And, like I said, we have enough water to take care of our constituents today it's tomorrow I'm worried about. And...

Councilman Withey: Exactly.

Water & Sewer Sup't. Alteri: ...if we have the capabilities to provide the water, but what good is that if it's bad water? We want to keep the water clean and you are an advocate of the Aquifer so...

Councilman Withey: What we're leaning towards is you're talking like an absolute and you said yourself it's not if, it's just when. You know it's going to happen and you know, you're being proactive about it. I commend you for that so I just think that we're not covering the whole... the whole picture as we should be. So, if you can find out with Matt there the TDH is on that and they can tell that pretty easily and that solves... that solves that works for us that solves the problem of putting in a Booster Stations or anything else.

Supervisor Williams: Alright.

Councilman Withey: Great presentation Pete. Fantastic job.

Supervisor Williams: Thank you Peter. We'll talk. I think right now I think we need to move along and get this thing over with. I told the mayor that I would be in touch, hopefully by the end of the year, but if it doesn't happen until after the first of the year it doesn't happen. But he'd like an answer as far as this study that they have out there. So let me talk to him. Peter we'll talk on down the road see where this says, and we'll bring it back. Okay? Peter?

Additional Water Supply

December 16, 2020 - 5:00 P.M.

Option #2 City Tie-In: Estimate: \$2,827,000.00

Option #1 City Tie-In: Estimate: \$3,424,000.00

Option #3 City Tie-In: Estimate: \$2,328,000.00

This would be a connection to the City of Cortland's Saunder's Road tank line.

Map #1

3 potential New Well Locations (Possible 4th).
Property owned by Cortlandville LLC (Byrne Dairy)

Map #2

No further comments or discussion were heard.

Councilman Withey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Cobb, to recess the Regular Meeting to an Executive Session to discuss personnel. All voting aye, the motion was carried.

The meeting was recessed at 6:50 p.m.

Councilman Withey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Testa, to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting. All voting aye the motion was carried.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Members of the public were invited to return to the meeting at this time.

RESOLUTION #343	AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO HIRE JOSEPHINE WILLIAMS AS A TEMPORARY PART-TIME RECEPTION CLERK AT THE RAYMOND G. THORPE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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Motion by Councilman Withey
Seconded by Councilman Testa
VOTES: AYE – Cobb, Guido, Testa, Withey
ABSTAIN – Williams
ADOPTED

NAY – 0

BE IT RESOLVED, as a direct response to the public health emergency of the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, and due to the resignation of Nicholas Alteri as Reception Clerk/Computer Technology Educator, the Town Board does hereby authorize and direct the Supervisor to hire Josephine Williams as a temporary part-time Reception Clerk at the Raymond G. Thorpe Municipal Building, at a wage of \$15.00 per hour.

No further comments or discussion were heard.

Councilman Withey made a motion, seconded by Councilman Testa, to adjourn the Regular Meeting. All voting aye, the motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin E. Rocco-Petrella, RMC
Town Clerk
Town of Cortlandville

*Note:

The draft version of this meeting was submitted to the Town Board for their review on January 23, 2020.
The final version of this meeting was approved as written at the Town Board meeting of _____.