

The first regular meeting of the Kingsbury Town Board was conducted on August 6, 2018 at the Kingsbury Town Hall at 6 Michigan Street, Hudson Falls.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dana Hogan, Supervisor
Richard Doyle, Councilman
Henry Freebern, Councilman
William Haessly, Councilman
ABSENT: Dan Washburn, Councilman

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Graham, Highway Superintendent
Mary Ordway, Town Comptroller
Gwen Craig – Post Star
Jolene & Jerry Caruso, Town Residents
Joseph Allen Family Members: Lisa Ringer, Karen Anderson, Irene Allen, Alexandria McCormick, Taylor Ringer, Devon Ringer, Ryan Anderson, Bruce Allen, Cathy Allen & Tonya Allen

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Hogan and opened for the order of business with the Flag Salute led by Councilman Freebern.

The minutes of the July 16, 2018 Town Board Meeting were accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk on a **motion** by Councilman Freebern seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 4 ayes.

Supervisor Hogan thanked the family of Joseph Allen for attending the Board Meeting and read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION HONORING THE HONORABLE JUSTICE JOSEPH ALLEN

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Kingsbury wishes to express its deepest sorrow over the passing of **JOSEPH ALLEN**; and

WHEREAS, JOSEPH ALLEN became Town Justice in 1969 and proudly served the Town of Kingsbury for twenty nine (29) years; and

WHEREAS, JOSEPH ALLEN during his tenure encouraged young people to turn their lives around and get out of the justice system; and

WHEREAS, JOSEPH ALLEN began an alternative sentencing program with the offenders doing civic projects and served as an advisor when Washington County developed an official Alternative Sentencing Program; and

WHEREAS, JOSEPH ALLEN was honored with the Liberty Bell Award from the Washington County Bar Association on May 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, JOSEPH ALLEN enjoyed and performed more than three hundred (300) marriages, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in recognition of **JOSEPH ALLEN'S** service to the community of the Town of Kingsbury, the Town Board hereby expresses its deep appreciation and extends to his family its sincere sympathy upon his passing.

<http://www.kingsburyny.gov>

Dated: August 6, 2018

By Order of the Kingsbury Town Board

Supervisor Hogan stated the Liberty Bell Award received by Joseph Allen is an award for non-lawyers for their efforts and work teaching the respect for the law. Supervisor Hogan thanked the Allen family for attending the Board Meeting and extended his sympathy to the family.

**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF KINGSBURY
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution Number 5 of 2018

Adopted August 6, 2018

Introduced by Councilman Freebern

who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Councilman Haessly

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE CANAL
CORPORATION FOR THE CHAMPLAIN CANALWAY TRAIL**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board (the "Board") of the Town of Kingsbury ("Town"), in the County of Washington, as follows:

WHEREAS, the New York State Canal Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the Canal Corporation) desires to design and develop certain lands along the Champlain Canal, specifically, along Rabideau Lane and Baldwin Corners Road for the construction and operation of amenities related to the multipurpose recreational trail known as the Champlain Canalway Trail; and

WHEREAS, the cost of constructing said improvements will be the sole responsibility of the Canal Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor and the Town Board have reviewed and support the proposed improvements and the maintenance obligations thereof a copy of the Agreement is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Kingsbury hereby approves entering into an agreement with the New York State Canal Corporation for the development of Champlain Canalway Project in the Town of Kingsbury and authorizes the Supervisor to enter into and execute the Agreement with the Canal Corporation; and be it further

RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Supervisor Hogan would like to confirm the details on Appendix C of the agreement (Maintenance Obligations) and Article II (Indemnity and Insurance) to determine if they pertain to the Town land next to the trail and not the trail itself, he will check with Town Attorney Meyer.
(Agreement attached to permanent minutes)

Supervisor Hogan announced Councilman Haessly and Councilman Washburn will serve on a committee with two Councilmen from the Town of Fort Edward; and Joe Brilling, the Executive Director of the Washington County Sewer District, to review the RFQ's received for the proposed sewer expansion.

Supervisor Hogan announced after a speed limit investigation conducted on Casey Road and Park Road by the NYS DOT, it was determined that both roads warrant a reduction from 55mph to 45 mph. Superintendent Michael Graham reported the speed limit signs have been installed.

A **motion** by Councilman Haessly seconded by Councilman Doyle and carried by a vote of 4 ayes to accept \$3,268.00 in state aid funds for the 2018 Recreation Program.

A **motion** by Councilman Doyle seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 4 ayes for Supervisor Hogan to sign a letter of support for the Lakes to Locks Passage, Inc. application for funding from the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) for Lakes to Locks Passage's proposed project: "Lock to Lock: Why the World Needs to Know About the Champlain Canal to celebrate the Erie Canal Bicentennial".

Supervisor Hogan received a letter from Brenda and Jim Ross commending Code Enforcement Officer Ross Cortese for his work with them during the construction of their new home on 210 Waite Road. A copy of the letter will be filed in his personnel file.

Supervisor Hogan reported a meeting is scheduled on August 20, 2018 with Attorney Stockwell to review the proposed changes to the Dog Control Laws.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Michael Graham presented plans drawn up by Ethan Hall for a parking lot for the Town Court. Justice Keenan will apply for a grant from the Justice Court Assistance Program to offset the cost of the parking lot. The application for JCAP requires estimates; the plans presented are the first step before the Board goes out to bid. The Board reviewed and discussed the plans and, at the suggestion of Graham decided they would like to install a white vinyl fence around all sides of the parking lot. Councilman Doyle asked how many parking spaces there would be; Graham stated there will be 26 (twenty-six).

Graham is hoping the stainless steel box for a truck should arrive late this week or early next week. The Highway Department will install the stainless steel box.

COUNCILMAN REPORT:

Councilman Haessly received a letter from resident Kathy Macura expressing an interest in serving on the Board of Assessment Review Board if a vacancy should occur. The Town Clerk will retain the request in her files and provide a copy to Sole Assessor Colleen Adamec.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Supervisor reported a Sexual Harassment & Workplace Violence Training will be conducted on September 20, 2018 at 9 am at the Argyle Fire House. In October, training will be conducted in Kingsbury during evening hours. The training is mandatory for Town employees.

Supervisor Hogan reported the East Side Auto property on Route 149 was sold at the Washington County Auction in the amount of \$536,000.00. Superintendent Graham stated it was purchased by Joe Thompson of Positive Energy.

Supervisor Hogan met with Kevin Polunci, Executive Director of Business and Human Resources of the Hudson Falls Central School District in regard to the school district administering the Recreation Program. The transfer of the program to the school district may improve the program and make it more efficient. Kevin Polunci is reviewing the details at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jerry Caruso asked if the Town received JCAP funding, would it pay for all of the parking lot. Comptroller Mary Ordway stated the grant at one time was \$30,000.00, which would not completely cover the cost.

A **motion** by Councilman Freebern seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 4 ayes to accept the reports of certain officer for the month of July as follows:

Code Enforcement Officer: Site Plan 2; Total Fees \$400.00

Dog Control Officer: Complaints/Calls 51; Unlicensed Dogs; 8 Seizures 7; Summons Issued 3;

Mileage 668 with 113 charged to Fort Edward & 267 charged to Fort Ann

Town Clerk: Paid to EnCon \$401.52; Paid to Supervisor \$3,115.69; Paid to NYS Dept. of Health \$180.00; Paid to the Village of Hudson Falls \$172.00; State Share of Games of Chance \$15.00; Paid to Ag & Markets for Population Control \$173.00

Town Comptroller: Receipts \$1,580,340.35; Disbursements \$1,765,959.88

For June: Town Justice; Fees Collected: \$13,589.75 and Assessor Sales

COMPTROLLER REPORT:

Mary Ordway reported to renew our current health insurance plan with MVP there will be a 17% increase. She presented quotes to the Board for Blue Shield which would be a 37% increase and CDPHP which would be a 5.47% increase from last year's rate with MVP. A **motion** by Councilman Freebern seconded by Councilman Doyle and carried by a vote of 4 ayes to select CDPHP Bronze HDEPO 421 for employee health coverage beginning October 1, 2018.

There being no further business before the Board a **motion** by Councilman Doyle seconded by Councilman Haessly and carried by a vote of 4 ayes to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia A. Bardin, Town Clerk