

Present: Charles E. Davis, III, Supervisor
 John A. Pfeffer, Deputy Supervisor Councilman
 William J. Heim, Councilman
 Jean M. Bond, Councilwoman
 Richard A. Bernstein, Councilman
 Patricia R. Dashnaw, Town Clerk
 Tim Engels, Highway Superintendent
 Larry Feldman, Code Enforcement Officer

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with the pledge to the American Flag.

Supervisor Davis presented an appreciation award to Steve Schlaugenhauf for his service to the Town of Ashford Highway Department for over 35 years.

RESOLUTION 10-2018

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Heim, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the minutes of January 10th be approved as submitted

Supervisor Davis presented the 2017 Supervisors report. Supervisors Bookkeeper, Susan Feldman was present to answer any questions.

Town Clerk Dashnaw presented the Town Clerk books for 2017.

Councilman Heim and Councilwoman Bond reviewed all books separately and in depth within the last few weeks and commend the respective offices for accurate and detailed reporting.

RESOLUTION 11-2018

AUDIT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

On motion of Councilman Heim, seconded by Councilman Pfeffer the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the records of the Town Clerk for 2017 having been duly examined and found all fees have been turned over to the proper officials; and the records of the Supervisor for 2017 having been duly examined with all monies disbursed properly; and the records of the Town Justice for 2017 having been duly examined and found all fees have been turned over to the proper officials. All said records and disbursements have been properly executed to the best of the boards' knowledge.

Justice Books have been audited by Berry and Berry. Letter will be sent thanking them for completion of the job.

Paul Bembia, NYSERDA West Valley Program Director reported NYSERDA completed the evaluation needed by NRC for their review of the proposed Community Shared Solar Facility on the State Nuclear Center property. The Licensing support contractor will submit comments and recommendations to move forward.

RESOLUTION 12-2018

AUTHORIZE TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING LOCAL LAW #1-2018: Amending Local Law No 3-2008 and Granting a Partial Exemption from Town Real Property Taxes for Cold War Veterans

On motion from Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilman Bernstein, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the Town Clerk advertise in the Springville Journal to schedule a public hearing on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 7:45pm at the regular scheduled meeting at the Ashford Community Center, 9377 Route 240, West Valley, NY for Local Law #1-2018 *Amending Local Law No 3-2008 and Granting a Partial Exemption from Town Real Property Taxes for Cold War Veterans*

RESOLUTION 13-2018

CORRECT CERTIFICATION OF WORK TIME

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer, seconded by Councilwoman Bond the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved certification of work time be as follows:

1. For all elected and appointed officials who are considered to be part time or full time, the standard work day will be eight (8) hours for full time and 6 hours for part time.
2. For all Highway or full time employees, the standard workday will be eight (8) hours per day and hourly forty (40) hours per week.

RESOLUTION 14-2018

AUTHORIZE SALARY FOR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer, seconded by Councilman Bernstein the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the duties and responsibilities for the office of the **Animal Control Officer** be appointed to **John Syms** for a one year term at the budgeted salary of **\$2,000** per year, and that the contractual budget amount be used to pay mileage.

Justice Court Fund revenues for the Town of Ashford in December are \$4,203.50.

Peter Krog, Edward Lorenz & Kenneth Lorenz submitted PILOT payment to Town of Ashford for \$4,561.87.

Statewide Aqua Store would like to inspect the new water tank for a fee. Engineers have advised against the cost of inspection as the tank is new and still under warranty.

The Town of Ashford Comprehensive Master Plan has been presented and the public hearing is to be held this week. Once the Master Plan is approved, applications for grants can be submitted for infrastructure in two districts in the Town of Ashford. One is the Route 219 and the other is Route 240. The goal is the keep residents currently in the Town of Ashford and encourage growth in business and residential.

RESOLUTION 15-2018
AUTHORIZE PHASE II BY THE FERGUSON GROUP

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer, seconded by Councilwoman Bond the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the Ashford Town Board authorize The Ferguson Group to provide services for Phase II of the Comprehensive Master Plan.

At the last planning board meeting some of the ideas presented were social media involvement by the Town of Ashford, a farmers market in the Town of Ashford, and application for the 50% matching Community Revitalization Grant.

The board reviewed the January reports for:

- Town Clerk
- Code Enforcement Officer
- Constabulary
- Highway Fuel & Expense

Highway Superintendent Engels will begin research on the purchase of a new 550. Supervisor Davis also informed the board the salt shed has been disapproved, therefore, Catt County Soil and Water will be contacted for assistance in this matter.

Code Enforcement Officer Feldman reported there are some inquiries regarding building of pole barns. The West Valley Inn continues building as well as a house in Northern Ashford. Councilman Bernstein has concerns for a structure scheduled for demolition by Catt Co as there are children who have been seen around the structure. He feels a letter should be written to possibly expedite the demolition for safety.

Peace officer course is being well presented and the constables have a few more sessions before graduation on April 8th. Discussion took place regarding refreshments for the active shooter drill. It was decided the Town of Ashford does not expend for refreshments at events.

Summer youth recreation is 6 full weeks and will include a lunch program sponsored by the USDA.

RESOLUTION 16-2018
APPROVE REPORTING OF WATER DISTRICT ISSUES

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer, seconded by Councilman Bernstein the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved residents in the Town of Ashford Water District make requests for changes in writing and submit to the water committee at which time the water committee will make recommendations to the Town Board after review of the request.

Councilman Heim requested lighting at Peters Road and Route 219 to insure safety of motorists.

RESOLUTION 17-2018
SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

On motion of Councilman Pfeffer, seconded by Councilman Heim, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the Supervisors Monthly financial report for January 2018 is accepted as submitted.

RESOLUTION 18-2018
AUDIT OF CLAIMS

On a motion of Councilman Pfeffer seconded by Councilwoman Bond, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Davis, Pfeffer, Heim, Bernstein, Bond
 Nays 0

Resolved the bills contained Abstract #2 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund	No. 21 through 55	\$60,895.55
	West Valley Fire District	\$184,500.00
Highway Fund	No. 11 through 14	\$118,648.66
Light District	No. 2	\$1,219.67
Trust & Agency	No. 1 through 10	\$14,174.77
Water District	No. 7 through 13	\$2,688.34
Water District Capital	No. 6	\$264.50

A motion was made by Bond seconded by Heim and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 8:23pm. (All aye)