

A regular meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United State Flag at the Ashford Community Center at 7:30pm with John A. Pfeffer Town Supervisor presiding.

**Present: John A. Pfeffer, Supervisor**  
**Angela M. Ghani, Council Deputy Supervisor**  
**William J. Heim, Council**  
**Jean M. Bond, Council**  
**James P. Boberg, Council**  
**Patricia R. Dashnaw, Town Clerk**  
**Keith Butcher, Highway Superintendent**  
**Larry Feldman, Code Enforcement Officer**

Others present: Joseph Pillittere, Max Borsuk, Bryan Bower, Jean Kwasnik

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**RESOLUTION 68-2021**  
**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On motion of Council Bond seconded by Council Boberg the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani  
Nays 0

Resolved the Town Board of the Town of Ashford hereby approve the agenda as presented

Town Clerk Dashnaw introduced Jean Kwasnik who is the new Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Court Clerk.

Bryan Bower, DOE and Joe Pillittere, CHBWV gave updates on current projects. Residents will notice train traffic. The upcoming public meeting will be held in compliance with current CDC regulations.

**RESOLUTION 69-2021**  
**APPROVAL OF CONENSUS ITEMS**

On motion of Council Ghani seconded by Council Bond the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Pfeffer, Heim, Bond, Boberg, Ghani  
Nays 0

Resolved hearing no objections, Agenda Item F1 through F7 be and are approved by the Town Board of the Town of Ashford, and shall be listed individually as follows in the minutes of this meeting:

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| 1. July Assessors Report               | 7. Abstract #8 in the following amounts: |              |
| 2. July Code Enforcement Report        | General Fund No. 162 through 189         | \$17,608.82  |
| 3. July 14, 29, August 4, 2021 minutes | Highway Fund No. 123 through 135         | \$203,556.36 |
| 4. July Town Clerk Report              | Light District No. 8                     | \$839.05     |
| 5. July Supervisors Financial Report   | Water District No. 49 through 55         | \$44,799.90  |
| 6. July Highway Expense/Fuel Report    | Trust & Agency No. 62 through 70         | \$9,350.62   |

**SUPERVISORS MANAGEMENT REPORT:**

- COPS grant has been submitted and has not been awarded yet. Grants are being researched for the Truck Stop/Welcome Center
- Meeting held with Senator Borello regarding issues in Ashford: truck stop, Route 219, West Valley Inn, Miller Road street light process, redistricting
- Sidewalk bridge location has to be relocated and property owner has been contacted and approves of the plan. Agreement needs to be in writing.
- Miller Road Street light documents have been submitted as required.
- On October 2 is a Bike Ride from East Aurora to Ellicottville to raise funds for the Rails to Trails. They will be riding through Ashford.
- A proposal for redistricting congressional districts results in vertical districts. There is a comment period for feedback. Being in a district with more populated areas may not benefit smaller municipalities so providing feedback prior to implementation is important.
- Board members have heard many positive comments regarding the Proposed Local Law
- ARPA has many restrictions for how municipalities can spend the funds. Water, Sewer, and Communications are the focus. Highway Superintendent Butcher would like to purchase a mower and inquired for grants to assist in the purchase.
- Budget Officer King requests budget sheets be turned in to him by September 1.
- Documents have been found indicating Cattaraugus County is the entity responsible for Spittler Road. Verification needs to be researched.
- Residents have many questions on signing up for internet through Armstrong. The Ashford Community Center will be open to residents to assist in signing up for the service.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Highway Superintendent-CHIPS work has been completed. Currently cutting back trees around sidewalks for safer walking.
- Code Enforcement-permits still coming in
- Insurance committee needs to research quotes
- Council Bond met with the senior citizens and provided them information regarding Code Red, Cannabis, and Armstrong.
- Christmas Tree Lighting will be held this year
- Summer recreation attendance was impacted by the West Valley Summer School program. A decreased number of participants in the summer program this year. The Bike Rodeo was well attended and conducted very well. Four bikes were donated by Joseph Pillittere for participants to have a chance to win. Winners selected were very appreciative. The town board thanked Joe for his continued generosity. Many programs offer free helmets to children who use them.

