

Supervisor Sheila M. Meegan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with 30 seconds of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Town Clerk Jacqueline Felser.

**ROLL CALL:** Present - Sheila M. Meegan Supervisor  
Eugene P. Hart Councilman  
William P. Hanley, Jr. Councilman  
Absent - None

Supervisor Meegan read the Fire Prevention Code instructing the public where to exit in case of a fire or an emergency.

The meeting was dedicated to the memory of Michael Lillis, Blanche Wagner, Edward Loomis, James Montondo, Michael Campbell & Jane Falkner.

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**5-A MINUTES TO BE APPROVED**

- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve Minutes #2017-04 of February 27, 2017.

Ayes: All                                      Noes: None                                      Motion Carried

**5-B TABLED ITEM**

1. Senior Code Enforcement Officer re Approval of electronic message board – 3502 Clinton Street                      Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to remove the item from the table.  
Ayes: All                      Noes: None                      Motion Carried

Councilman Hanley stated he previously asked to table this item to allow time to speak with the Zoning Board & Planning Board. The proposed sign will just advertise pricing of gasoline and complies with the rules and regulations of the LED sign ordinance.

Town Attorney John Fenz recommended the motion be stated as an approval of an LED sign as opposed to an electronic message board.

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve the use of an LED sign at 3502 Clinton Street, noting the sign meets the requirements of the electronic sign ordinance and will be approximately 500 feet from the nearest residential house.

Ayes: All                                      Noes: None                                      Motion Carried

**5-C COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Supervisor Meegan re Retirement of Donald Raczka

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to accept the retirement of Donald Raczka and terminate him as laborer in the Highway Department effective March 27, 2017 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All                      Noes: None                      Motion Carried

2. Town Engineer re Bid award for 2017 Emergency Sewer Repair Contract

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to accept the base bid from D'Amorie Construction for the 2017 Emergency Sewer Repair Contract with the option to extend annually for another two years pending mutual consent of both parties, noting this is the low bid.

Ayes: All                      Noes: None                      Motion Carried

3. Highway Sup't. re Attendance at training

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to authorize Highway Sup't., Matthew English and Deputy Highway Sup't. Greg Zimmerman to attend the School for Highway Superintendents, June 12 - 14, 2017 in Ithaca, New York at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.

Ayes: All                      Noes: None                      Motion Carried

4. Chief Denz re Purchase of control car computer system

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve the purchase of four new Mobile Data Terminal computer systems from Patrol PC, Inc. at a total cost of \$22,880 to replace four current patrol vehicle systems already in service and past their viability, noting funds for this purchase are available in the Asset Seizure Trust Fund Acct. #004.0004.0072.

Ayes: All                      Noes: None                      Motion Carried

5. Chief Denz re retirement of Detective Timothy J. Pratt

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to accept the retirement of Detective Timothy J. Pratt from the West Seneca Police Department effective March 31, 2017 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel, noting Detective Pratt has served the Town of West Seneca for the past 23 years and will be greatly missed.

Ayes: All                      Noes: None                      Motion Carried

**5-C COMMUNICATIONS**

6. Chief Denz re Electrical generator purchase
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to approve the purchase of one mobile electrical generator and corresponding installation kit for the mobile response vehicle at a total cost of \$6624.51 from Gorman Emergency Vehicles in Elma, New York, noting funds for this purchase are available in the Asset Seizure Trust Fund Acct. #004.0004.0072.

On the question, Chief Denz stated the vehicle and generator have not had an impact on the budget as it was a federal military surplus vehicle obtained at no cost to the town.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

7. Town Clerk re Extension of tax collection
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve an extension of the time for collection of 2017 town/county taxes to June 30, 2017, noting this will allow the town to keep the penalties rather than the county receiving them.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

8. Senior Recreation Therapist for Senior Services re Status change to seasonal – clerk/typist
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to change the status of part-time clerk typist Georgiann Busse to part-time seasonal effective March 13 - April 8, 2017 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

9. Senior Recreation Therapist for Senior Services re Status change to seasonal – food service worker
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to change the status of part-time food service worker Marirose Bless to part-time seasonal effective March 1 - 31, 2017 and authorize the Supervisor to complete and sign the necessary forms for Erie County Personnel.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

10. Recreation Supervisor re Agreement with Western New York Flash
- Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to authorize the Supervisor to execute the necessary documents to enter into an agreement with Western New York Flash for use of the West Seneca Soccer Complex.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

**5-D REPORTS**

- Jacqueline A Felser, Town Clerk's report for February 2017 received and filed
- John A. Gullo, Senior Code Enforcement Officer's building and plumbing report for February 2017 received and filed

**5-E APPROVAL OF WARRANT**

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hart, to approve the vouchers submitted for audit, chargeable to the respective funds as follows: General Fund - \$430,028.21; Highway Fund - \$108,116.11; Special Districts - \$25,179.92; Capital Fund - \$13,579.00 (vouchers 97549 - 98917) Trust - \$267,639.76 (vouchers 98715 - 98912)

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

**ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC**

**BURCHFIELD CENTER UPDATE**

Barb Lipiew requested an update on the Burchfield Center. Town Attorney John Fenz stated he met with the forensic architect and reviewed the pictures taken. The forensic architect will be submitting a final report of his findings so a determination can be made on the best course of action. Supervisor Meegan commented on the investment the Town Board made in the Burchfield Center with the comfort station and steps and stated they do not want to see it closed, but public safety is the number one priority and they will not put people at risk. Supervisor Meegan further stated the town budget does not support repairs in 2017.

**PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Recreation Supervisor Lauren Masset gave the following updates for the Recreation Department:

- Summer program registration is currently taking place. Summer programs include but are not limited to summer day camp, swim lessons and adult softball.
- Ms. Masset & Highway Sup't. Matthew English are working on an updated and more interactive parks inventory. More information will be available on the town's website.
- Open Public Skate will not take place on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> due to the Luke Gould tournament and youth hockey tryouts. Holiday skate will be held April 10 – 14, noon – 1:50 PM and regular admission fees apply. Skate with the Easter Bunny will be held April 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:05 PM and regular admission fees apply.
- Applications are being accepted for summer employment positions, including summer day camp staff and lifeguards.
- Applications are being accepted for volunteers for the West Seneca Youth Board.

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**SENIOR CENTER UPDATES**

Senior Recreation Therapist of Senior Services Mary Josefiak stated a St. Patrick's Day lunch will be held Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Senator Gallivan will also be holding a Disaster Preparedness seminar on the evening of Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

**PARKING BAN REINSTATED**

Chief Denz announced that the winter parking ban has been reinstated for the next 48 hours.

**NATIONAL GRID STREET LIGHTS**

Councilman Hanley referred to a comment at a previous meeting concerning National Grid street lights being out on Burch Avenue and stated he met with National Grid and a list was compiled of lights that need replacement. Councilman Hanley believes the master list of locations and pole numbers has been updated and the bulbs have been changed in the three sections of town that had lights out.

**WORKER'S COMPENSATION COSTS**

Councilman Hanley stated he has been reviewing worker's compensation claims and the average payment per year has been \$278,279. To date, 30 claims have now been closed out and he is hoping for an annual savings in the low six figures.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Supervisor Meegan, seconded by Councilman Hanley, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 P.M.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

  
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JACQUELINE A FELSER, TOWN CLERK