

The Town of Fenton Town Board held an additional Work Session to approve Abstract 13 of 2016 on Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at Noon at the Fenton Town Hall, 44 Park Street, Port Crane, NY.

PRESENT:	Town Board Members	David Hamlin, Supervisor Michael Husar, Councilman Thomas Moss, Councilman Richard Pray, Councilman Randy Ritter Sue Crosier
	Highway Superintendent Administrative Assist./Bookkeeper	
ABSENT:	Town Board Member Town Attorney Town Clerk	Gary Holcomb, Deputy Supervisor Albert Millus, Jr. Melodie Bowersox

#### Review Abstract # 13, 2016

- Mr. Hamlin asked if this Abstract would bring Griffiths Engineering up to \$15,000.00 (the total amount contracted for 2016) and Bookkeeper Sue Crosier replied, yes.
- Tower Roofing – Voucher #10 – '2/Payt 2 thru 11/30/16' – \$37,840.00 – Mr. Husar asked if this voucher was the final roof payment. It is not the final payment, as there is still a retainage amount of \$3,500.00 being held. There is a small checklist of items to be completed.
- Cargill Incorporated – '2903135819/Road Salt' – \$4,411.66 – Mr. Pray asked how much salt can be purchased for \$4,411.66. Highway Superintendent Randy Ritter replied 200 tons.
- Mr. Husar asked for an explanation as to how the payments to Griffiths Engineering was being split up between departments. Mr. Pray said that Griffiths Engineering is being paid the same way former Town Engineer Dick Bassler was paid and Sue provided Mr. Husar with the percentage breakdown between departments.
- After a review of the Abstract, Mr. Pray moved to approve payment of the bills for Abstract # 13, 2016, seconded by Mr. Moss. Motion carried.

VOTE: Ayes 4 Hamlin, Husar, Moss, Pray  
Nays 0  
Absent 1 Holcomb

Griffiths Engineering – Mr. Hamlin asked those present how they felt about Griffiths Engineering and their response to the Town this past year. The comments were positive and it was agreed that the Town Board would meet with Griffiths Engineering to negotiate a fee for 2017.

Brewery Project – There was a ZBA Meeting held on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in regard to the Brewery Project. Mr. Hamlin has had discussions with Chuck Rhoades, who is backing the project. John Mastronardi of Griffiths Engineering and, and Attorney Tina Fernandez (Legal Counsel for the Planning Board and ZBA) since the meeting. He has a meeting tomorrow and that particular property is on the schedule to be added into the Ag District for this area,

which is one of the hurdles that was brought up during the ZBA meeting. The County has a list of Ag Districts. Applicants apply to be in an Ag District and meetings are held once a year. Mr. Pray talked to Assemblyman Crouch's Office on this subject and the intent in the law when it was created was not to restrict it to things on an official Ag District list but agricultural property within New York State. Mr. Hamlin asked, "They do not have to be an Ag District?" Mr. Pray replied that that was not the intent when they created the law—they just had to be an agricultural property. Mr. Pray specifically asked that question. Mr. Pray further explained that the way the NYS Ag and Markets law reads is that properties in Ag Districts are allowed to put in production facilities for the crops that are grown on the property. Anyone reading that would say if you are not formally listed in the County's Ag District, then you do not qualify, but when Mr. Pray checked with the Assemblyman's Office, the law was not intended to be restrictive to that list. It was intended to be if the Town has zoned the property for agricultural use, then it is ok to add these production facilities. The neighbor is concerned about the flood plain issues and how it may affect his property. The Brewery Project applicant has gone through the designed process in terms of displacing the soil and has created a retention pond for whatever they have displaced; however, now the County has said that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for DEC needs to be done. Also, an H & H test, a computer simulation done to determine now the project will affect the neighboring properties, will be done.

Hillcrest Fire Company – Mr. Hamlin received another resignation letter from a member of the Hillcrest Fire Company, this time from Kathleen Korell. Sue will scan it to the Town Board Members and a copy will be kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

At 12:14 PM, Mr. Hamlin adjourned the meeting.

Melodie A. Bowersox, Town Clerk

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