

# PLYMOUTH TOWN BOARD MEETING

## FEBRUARY 11, 2019

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Grace Nucero-Alger  
Councilman Gary Simpson  
Councilman Daniel Meyer  
Councilman Lewis Somers  
Councilman Jerry Kreiner  
Highway Superintendent Rodney Oakley

The meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Alger. She led in the pledge to the flag.

Mrs. Alger asked the Board if they had any additions or corrections to the minutes of the January meeting. There were none. Mr. Kreiner made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Somers seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was passed with five yeases and no nos.

The first speaker was Sandy Pierce. She presented the Board with documentation and spoke on Agriculture Easements. She listed several statistics concerning agriculture in Chenango County and upstate New York. She also presented the Board with a Draft of a Farmland

Protection Easement that she was asking the Town to consider on her farm to protect the farmland in perpetuity. Mrs. Alger said the Board would need time to consider this and she would also ask the Town Planning Board to be involved. Questions and answers followed.

The next speaker was Terrance Carroll from Tatum Engineering. He was introduced by Peter Hudiburg. Mr. Carroll had assessed the Town Garage for ways to improve it's energy use. He revealed his findings to the Board. He also made some recommendations to keep in mind when the Town builds a new garage. Questions and answers followed.

**DOG CONTROLL OFFICER'S REPORT:** Mr. Brian Franklin submitted his report for the month of January. This report is on file in the Town Clerk's office. Mrs. Alger reported that she is still trying to get the Town's equipment from Mr. Bates. She said he has until the 25<sup>th</sup> of February to return the items or the Town will pursue legal action.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:** Mr. Prisco is on vacation, but he submitted a written report to Mrs. Alger. She read the report.

- All four properties currently under investigation for garbage and litter will go in front of the Judge this Wednesday.
- 188 Elmer Harris Rd. owner wants to replace a trailer with a double wide.
- 3775 State Hwy. 23 – septic system
- Took pictures of a tire problem, couldn't issue summons because he didn't have any.

- Summonses are coming from BOCES

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Mr. Oakley reported the following:

- Grader was delivered.
- Plowing and sanding.
- Patching holes where and when they can.
- Sand pile on Route 23 is shrinking.
- Took the wing off truck 6 and took it to Steel Sales to have that repaired.
- Working on the 284 Agreement. Consulting with Suit-Kote and the County Highway.
- Possible sites for the new Town Garage were discussed.
- The 2003 had to have a new suspension put under it.
- The 2008 box has not arrived yet.
- At this time, all trucks were up and running.

Peter Hudiburg expressed his concern about the effect of road salt on trees.

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Mrs. Alger reported that the Town Board met with the representatives of AT&T. She said that after a lengthy discussion about the location of the new cell tower, the representatives said they would convey the Town's preference of the Cookhouse location to AT&T.

- She reminded the Board that there was a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 5:00pm for Union negotiations.
- Charter Communications sent a letter to inform the public about channel and charge changes.
- NYSEG sent a storm warning.

**BOARD CONCERNS:** None.

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:** Rhonda Fairbanks asked how many kids were signed up to go on the Skating Field Trip that the Town is sponsoring.

**Mrs. Alger** said she didn't know.

Mr. Franklin brought up the fact that many households do not have their house numbers displayed. He was concerned that emergency personnel might be hindered by this. Mrs. Alger asked Mrs. Brown to post the need for house numbers to be in a prominent place as required by law.

Carol Franklin pointed out that several road signs are also missing.

The next meeting will be on March 11, 2019 at 6:30pm.

The bills were reviewed and signed. Mr. Simpson made a motion to pay the bills and Mr. Kreiner seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeases and no nos.

Mr. Kreiner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Somers seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with five yeases and no nos.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia E. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted by,".

Virginia E. Brown  
Plymouth Town Clerk  
February 18, 2019