## PLYMOUTHTOWNBOARDMEETING OCTOBER 10, 2017

PRESENT: Supervisor Grace Nucero-Alger Councilman Gary Simpson Councilman Lewis Somers Councilman Eric Jones ABSENT: Superintendent Peter Marshall Councilman Daniel Meyer

Supervisor Alger called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Mr. Somers lead in the Pledge to the Flag.

Mrs. Alger asked the Board if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the September meeting. There were none. Mr. Somers made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with four yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer was absent.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:** Mr. Burlingame reported that it had been very quiet. It was decided that the Town Clerk will start providing Mr. Burlingame with a list of all Sanitation Permits that are purchased going forward.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Mr. Marshall was absent so Mrs. Alger read his report. The crew has finished oiling and stoning the Jones Peck Road, the Reservoir Hill Road, Bates Road, Underwood Road, and the North Road. The mower has been returned to Syracuse. The crew is now patching potholes and putting down gravel on the Travis Road.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT: No report was available.

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:** Mrs. Alger read an announcement from NYMIR about a seminar called Effective Signage Principles/Fundamentals & Best Practices and Reasonable Suspicion. She also briefly reported on the County Supervisors' Meeting.

Mrs. Pierce gave a presentation on her non-profit corporation called Lamb's Quarters, Inc. She outlined it's origin, it's mission and her hopes for it's future and the opportunities it has to offer the people of the Town of Plymouth.

**BOARD CONCERNS:** There were none.

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:** Mr. Paul O'Connor presented the Board with a letter written by Robert J. Freeman, Executive Director of the State of New York Department of State Committee on Open Government. It stated his opinion on establishing a rule without an affirmative vote of a majority of the Town Board. He wrote that "I believe that the Town Board as a body, not the Supervisor acting alone, would be empowered to establish rules regarding public participation." Therefore, the new limitations on public comments should be voted on. Mrs. Alger thanked Mr. O'Connor.

Jerry Kreiner pointed out that the tentative Town Budget for 2018 was due to be given to the Board by the Town Clerk by October 5, 2017. He asked if it had been done. Mrs. Alger answered no. Mr. Kreiner pointed out that it was mandated by State Law. Mrs. Alger said the County was aware of the status of the Budget. Mr.

Kreiner also asked why the Budget Workshop meetings were all being held at 3:45pm, a time when many people are still at work. No answer.

Linda Winton asked who intended to be at the upcoming Meet the Candidate Night. Mrs. Alger and Mr. Simpson said her question could not be answered because it would be considered "campaigning".

Town Clerk Virginia Brown announced to everyone that a Meet the Candidate Night would be held on October 26, 2017 at the Plymouth Fire Hall at 6:30pm. Everyone would be welcome. She asked everyone's help in getting the word out. Mr. O'Connor asked Mrs. Alger if the Board was going to vote on the limitation of public comments.

Mrs. Alger asked if anyone had any other questions.

Tom Kreiner asked if there was anything that could be done about several residences around the Town that are becoming a problem for their neighbors because of mounting collections of debris and junk. Mr. Burlingame said that a written complaint must be made. Then the Town must follow up.

The next Board meeting will be held on November 13, 2017 at 6:30pm at the Plymouth Town Hall.

Mr. Simpson made a motion to review the bills. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with four yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer was absent.

Mr. Simpson made a motion to pay the bills. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with four yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer was absent.

Mr. Somers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The Board was polled and the motion was carried with four yeses and no nos. Mr. Meyer was absent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Virginia E. Down

Virginia E. Brown Plymouth Town Clerk

There is no electronic recording of this meeting. The batteries went dead in the recorder.