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May 10, 2018 Regular Town Board Meeting

- 1.) Supervisor Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
- 2.) Supervisor Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3.) Roll Call:

Councilor Hughes - Present

Councilor LaForest – Present

Councilor LaPine - Excused

Councilor Schueller -Present

Supervisor Jackson – Present

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- 4.) Minutes
 - a.) April 5, 2018 Water Committee
 - b.) April 12, 2018 Regular Town Board Meeting

Supervisor Jackson tabled the minutes as they are not in format ready to approve yet.

- 5.) Old Business
 - a.) Pilot Test Ready to start
 - b.) The Town's Comprehensive Plan Councilor Hughes has made phone calls to the DEC. Application for grants opens in August.
 - c.) Resolution #49 Proposed Grange MOU June, Supervisor Jackson hasn't gotten the paperwork back from the attorney.
 - d.) Begg's Park Conversion Appraisal done, PR&HP wants more details, State is not happy with job done by appraiser.
 - g.) Town Credit Card, are not here yet.
 - h.) DEC Smart Growth Grant for Comprehensive Plan and/or Town Dock, looking into other grants to restore Town Dock.
 - i.) Town Committees,
 - j.) USDA letter on Water Loan #2, suggest refinancing. Resolution #43 of 2018, Refinance Water Loan #2 with CNB @ 4% no additional costs. Town attorney is working on.
 - k.) Resolution #40 of 2018 apply for NYSEG program to upgrade to energy efficient lighting. Quote received, quick payback. All will be less than a year pay back.
 - l.) On J,K, and L Councilor Schueller moved the motion, Councilor Hughes seconded the motion. ALL IN FAVOR
 - m.) Town Shed overhead door proposal is signed and forwarded.
 - n.) Household Hazardous Waste in Lewis will be Saturday July 14, 2018. If you have any e-waste (other than CRT TV's) bring them

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- o.) Resolution # 46 CLASS, Cooperative Investment Agreement. Councilor Hughes made the motion to accept Resolution #46, Councilor Schueller seconded the motion, ALL IN FAVOR.
- p.) Street Light Districts/upgrades, Have the price to replace all the street lights with LED. Norma Goff spoke and asked if a street light can be installed near the Masonic Lodge. Supervisor Jackson agreed, but will have to get permission from ECHO. ANCA is forming a group to decide on the lighting. Supervisor Jackson asked if someone wanted to move that we accept the offer waiting for ANCA to advise us. Councilor LaForest moved the motion Councilor Schueller seconded ALL IN FAVOR
- q.) Resolution #48A, new money for CHIPS We need to pass Resolution 48A as there is more money than listed in Resolution 48 which will mean a little more paving can be done. Councilor Schueller moved Resolution 48A, Councilor Hughes seconded ALL IN FAVOR.
- r.) Second floor of Town Hall -Floor plan and funding, Motion to hire Laureen Murphy to apply for the grant for the upstairs renovation of the town hall, Councilor LaForest Moved the motion, Councilor Hughes seconded the motion. Supervisor Jackson will write up a Resolution for this and it will be Resolution 51, ALL IN FAVOR.

6.) New Business

- a.) Set date for a Special TB meeting, rate structures for water and sewer.
 Scheduled a meeting for a special Water/Sewer meeting for May 14th at 6:30 p.m.
- b.) Change back steps to ramp for second handicapped entrance. It will be built this fall. All are in favor.
- c.) Request for support to increase the number of State Forest Rangers. Everyone agrees there are enough Forest Rangers that more can be put out in the field and less in the office in Albany.
- d.) Planning Board Lawsuit NYMIR Lawyers will handle the case.
- e.) Empire State Trail Plan info. have a walking, hiking and biking trail. They will put up signs and want the town and county to do the rest.
- f.) New Desktop computer for Supervisor's office. Motion to spend up to \$1000.00 on a desktop computer for the Supervisor. Richard Teitelbaum spoke against a new computer for the Supervisor and to have his laptop fixed. If the laptop can be fixed. Councilor LaForest moved a motion to look into having the laptop fixed if it can't be fixed for it to be replaced. Councilor Hughes seconded, ALL IN FAVOR.

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g.) Resolution #50 accepting standard work days for 2018. For people on the retirement system. Has to be passed each year. Councilor LaForest made the motion to pass Resolution # 50. Councilor Hughes seconded and ALL IN FAVOR.

RESOLUTION # 46–2018

WHEREAS, New York General Municipal Law, Article 5-G, Section 119-o ("Section 119-o" empowers municipal corporations [defined in Article 5-G, Section 119-n to include school districts boards of cooperative educational services, counties, cities, town and villages] and districts to enter into, amend, cancel and terminate agreements for the performance among themselves (or one for the other) of their respective functions, powers and duties on a cooperative or contract basis;

WHEREAS, the ____Town of Essex____wishes to invest certain of its available investments funds in cooperation with other corporations and/or districts pursuant to a municipal cooperation agreement;

WHEREAS, the ____Town of Essex____wishes to assure the safety and liquidity of its funds;

Now, therefore, it is hereby resolved as follows:

The _Town Supervisor Ronald Jackson_____ is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Cooperative Investment Agreement in the name of and on behalf of _____The Town of Essex _____.

Moved By: Councilor Hughes Seconded By: Councilor Schueller

Councilor Hughes: YES Councilor LaForest: YES

Councilor LaPine: EXCUSED

Councilor Schueller: YES Supervisor Jackson: YES

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RESOLUTION # 48A-2018

Give the Highway Superintendent permission to commit \$96,756 in budgeted funds from CHIPS (code 51122.03) for our 2018 paving.

Moved By: Councilor Schueller Seconded By: Councilor Hughes

Councilor Hughes: YES Councilor LaForest: YES

Councilor LaPine: EXCUSED

Councilor Schueller: YES Supervisor Jackson: YES

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RESOLUTION # 50–2018

Accept as attached the standard work day for NYS & LRS purposes.

Moved By: Councilor LaForest Seconded By: Councilor Hughes

Councilor LaPine: EXCUSED

Councilor Schueller: YES Supervisor Jackson: YES Councilor Hughes: YES Councilor LaForest: YES

RESOLUTION #51-2018

The Town of Essex agrees to contract with Lauren Murphy to apply, in our behave, for a New York State Parks Recreation and Historic Preservation Grant to restore and repair the second floor of Wrights Inn. The agreed to rate is \$25.00 per hour.

Moved By: Councilor LaForest Seconded By: Councilor Hughes

Councilor Hughes: YES Councilor LaForest: YES

Councilor LaPine: EXCUSED

Councilor Schueller: YES Supervisor Jackson: YES

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Abstract of Bills, 1-2018 Councilor LaForest motioned to accept the Abstract of Bills. Councilor Hughes seconded and ALL IN FAVOR.

Supervisor's County Report

- a.) Prices for Transfer Site may be headed up. No money set aside to replace equipment. Cost per pound of garbage will be going up some.
- b.) The County is raising the age to purchase cigarettes to 21

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Richard Teitelbaum mentioned that none of this year minutes are posted Councilor Hughes checked the website and insured Mr. Teitelbaum that all this year minutes are posted. Norma Goff announced the Essex Community Fund Grant are now available on line. Supervisor Jackson Announced Down Town Essex Day is the first Saturday in August. Councilor Hughes asked if the Essex Community Fund Grant could help with the repair on the town Dock. Councilor Schueller made the motion Councilor LaForest seconded for Councilor Hughes to look into getting the funding for the repairs of the town dock. Councilor Schueller mentioned about the other Supervisors that voted to appeal the FOIL request. Supervisor Jackson explained about the privacy of a vote.

Councilor Hughes announced online media committee will be meeting within a month.

Meeting Adjourn: 7:42p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alicia Kelly,

Town Clerk