

## Sennett Town Board Meeting

January 21<sup>st</sup> , 2021

### Agenda:

#### Pledge

Approval of January Organizational 2021 meeting minutes

PDD for Sennett Meadows Housing Project – Public Hearing

#### Old Business:

Park Grant

Water 3 Project and Easement

Building maintenance and upkeep – K. LaPointe

#### New Business:

County Vaccination Sign-up Program

Water District 3 conference call or meeting w/engineer.

Department Reports

Approval of Abstracts

Members Present: Thomas Gray, Supervisor

Edward Rizzo, Councilman

Richard Gagliardi, Councilman

Michael Adrian, Councilman - absent

James Jeffers, Councilman

Also present:

Richard Andino, Town Attorney

Kris LaPointe – Highway Superintendent

Ron Schalck – Water and Sewer Superintendent

Jeremy Bacon – Chairman of the Planning Board

AnnMarie Clarke – Deputy Town Clerk and Registrar

Tom Blair – counsel for Rochester's Cornerstone Group

Matt Napierala – Senior Engineer for Cornerstone Group

Carole Oster – VP for Cornerstone Group

Kristian Hill – design engineer for Rochester's Cornerstone Group

Rusty Tierney – Sennett resident

The meeting is opened with the pledge to the flag.

January organizational meeting minutes approved.

Public to be Heard: PDD for Sennett Meadows Housing Project:

Tom Blair - "Those of you who don't know me, I'm a longtime Sennett resident. I also serve as counsel to the applicant, Rochester 's Cornerstone Group. Here tonight for Rochester Cornerstone group are Senior VP, Carol Oster. We have with us, Matt Napierala, the project engineer also. Very briefly, by way of summary, I introduced Rochester's Cornerstone group to the property last

summer. After talking with the property owner, Don Kasper, about his inability to find an interested party, ready, willing and able to actually close on the property, I had already become familiar with Rochester's Cornerstone Group and introduced them to the property because I thought it would be a mutually beneficial for the town, and for the Cornerstone Group. I served on the board of directors of a local adult care facility in the Auburn area, and I have personal knowledge of the dire need for senior housing, not only in the county, but also here in Sennett. If you look at the County Office of neighborhood statistics, Cayuga county is terribly under served for senior housing. There's only a 4.1% capture rate for senior housing, and unfortunately, many local seniors had no choice but to stay in a house that they can't afford, some move on to cheap housing that's not appropriate for senior citizens that are aging and may have some needs in the future. And many also simply have to move out of the area. As many of you know, there are currently no senior housing options in the town of Sennett. Affordable senior housing options are important to our community. Our seniors on fixed incomes, can't always afford to stay in their own homes, and most certainly can't afford the market senior housing rates which sometimes are \$2,000 or more per month. Now the project being pursued by this applicant will provide sixty very well-done apartment units with full kitchens, washer and dryers on the same floors, activities, grounds, community room, and spirit and camaraderie. And I've personally seen that because I've taken the time to tour other Cornerstone facilities. I can report to you that they're first class, they're very well done. If they weren't, I wouldn't be here tonight. And I invite any members of the town board or planning board to go to a Cornerstone facility. If you have a loved one or yourself, think you may need an affordable place to stay as a senior, they're first place operations. Importantly, not only are they first class operations, well done, safe buildings with spirit and camaraderie inside, the rent schedules are between \$700 and \$900 per month - very important for seniors on fixed incomes. In fact, the landlord covers all the utilities, so the only charges at the proposed project will be the rents and the residents' food. That's it.

The project being proposed is pursuing state funding and tax credits, and the project will not be assessed at full value for taxation purposes. But there's a reason for this. If the project were to be assessed at full value and passed along the cost for full value to the developer, to the project manager, there's no such thing as being able to have affordable rents. If you look across the state and other senior affordable projects with rents between \$500 - \$900, you'll find that the state programs, the cap on assessments and rents is the reason that they're affordable. So, there will be a net benefit to the town. You know, people wonder if people ask, people have asked me, being a local resident, you know, is this really a good deal for Sennett? I can't speak to that because the town board has to make that decision. But I'm happy to just point out a few things that I think are important. Number one, I think it's important that we be compassionate to our seniors in Sennett. Seniors make up a huge percentage of

our local residents, currently close to a quarter of all of our residents are age 55 and older. Rather than cutting senior programming or being passive about seniors needs in town, this is an opportunity to show them we care about their options, their futures, and an opportunity for or us to be responsible and compassionate with these folks that we owe so much to. Two, as I mentioned, there are some assessments in tax revenues which will benefit the town of Sennett. This is not a tax-free project proposal. Right around \$80,000 per year will flow into the town in the school district and the county, and it's up to the town board to determine what that split looks like. Three, as part of the financial contributions from the project, each and every property owner in this town sewer district will see their sewer bills decreased and potentially, significantly, and four, why not Sennett? Would we rather end up seeing this project, going to town of Skaneateles, Aurelius or Brutus? The Route 20 corridors are convenient to seniors, and the possible impacts from a residential development of this sort, are the exact same impacts that we would have seen if Mr. Kasper's apartment complex were developed. And let's please all understand, this property is currently approved to have an apartment complex developed on it, including four buildings. So, in summary, this is an opportunity for those of us in Sennett to show our willingness to lead the way on supporting our seniors and finding affordable options. Importantly, the project aligns with the town's comprehensive plan, which has a goal of creating more senior housing options in the town. All this being said, it seems that this should be a win-win for the town on many levels. Please know that future meetings will drill down into site plan issues, environmental issues as SEQRA are explored. And here tonight, the applicant simply seeking a zone change for ten acres to be changed to a planned development district for the project that's being proposed. Thank you. Thank you for your time. Next. I'd like to introduce the project engineer, Matt Napierala."

Matt Napierala – "Thank you Tom. What we're going to do for the people on Zoom, and for everyone here is to quickly go through what the project is. My colleague will share his screen now. They'll be the same video as represented on the board here. As Tom started, we are representing Rochester's Cornerstone group. The project team includes the President and owner, Roger Brandt, Carol Oster, their Vice President of Development - who is here, you met Tom, Tom Blair, our project attorney. I'm Matt Napierala, and my design engineer Kristian Hill is running the video for me tonight. The first slide for the people at home and for those who are not familiar is the project location, it's at 3365 East Genesee Street Road - located just east of the Quincy Hill Drive development, west of the Sleepy Hollow Motel and directly north of the Church of the Nazarene right off of West Genesee Street Road, which is also Route 20. The next slide is showing that same site as a pictorial aerial that we took in the fall showing the site in its location off of Genesee Street Road. It's an existing vacant site. Scrub in nature, it looks like it's all trees, but it's really just low sapling scrubs. You can see in the

middle of this site, the power lines - those are a NYSEG utility easement, which cuts the middle of the site and constrains, but also helps define what we're doing. The next sheet we're getting into what is this project, and what are we dealing with? And we have developed a set of plans for the board and for the public to get an understanding of what this is about. The set of plans we've submitted to the board in a package, and as well, the Planning Board, has reviewed this set of plans the recommendation zone change, and we will be back before the Planning Board upon successful completion of the PDD. The project itself, is a development portion is 10-acres, and the PDD request is a 10-acre piece, which is this lower east corner of the site defined on the west by the NYSEG easement and constricted a little bit over halfway to the north, then the Mother property - the East line follows that existing property to form a 10-acre planned development district. The reason it's ten acres is because town code says a PDD must be ten acres. So, we are following town code to create a development district that is ten acres. The next sheet really shows the amortization of this by our land surveyor, and the metes and bounds of that ten acres have been provided in the application and in the binder set, to define what that PDD is in a legal description of that property. So that has been submitted to the town in the package. This sheet becomes now, what will eventually be the site plan, but again, under a zone change. The town always asks what are you really doing, and why are you here? And this site plan set shows that development piece, it's an L-shaped 60-unit facility. It has amenities. We have had some discussions, early discussions with the Sennett Fire Department. We have a ring road for fire service and emergency access. Certain aspects of that conversation on which, (as of an email that I received yesterday from the chief), he is agreeable to this and says that we have accommodated the fire district requests for further development. This becomes the piece of which Jeremy Bacon and the Planning Board, and we'll get into the details in the deep criteria, but for the purposes of the PDD, shows what is being proposed. There has been questions of density and buffers and offsets. As you can see in this plan, you don't even see Quincy Hill Drive. It's that far away. You don't even see actually the run core. You can see the Sleepy Hollow Motel, there's nothing to the north, and again, across the street is the Church of Nazarene. We are going to be providing screening and proper buffering, and certainly, the existing landscaping around it will provide natural buffers as well.

For just the purposes of showing how far we've come, the next sheet is a utility plan that talks about our water service connections. Tom briefly talked about the sanitary sewer, and physically that's my job, how can we get to make that connection, this sheet gets into that. We'll certainly be dealing with, talking to the Public Works Department, and making sure we're doing the right thing with the town engineers, utility services and connections. Part of the site plan set, which will again, be under the purview of the Planning Board includes like lighting plan, that lighting plan talk deals specifically with site lighting elements.

This plan shows the light pole locations, it shows some perimeter pedestrian pole locations, but more importantly, it shows the photometrics - the reverse photometrics, like you would see on an inside of a building architectural, how bright is the light. Typically, there's certain criteria that we want to have for the paved parking lot area for safety concerns and the pedestrian access for safety concerns, especially since it gets dark at four o'clock, four months out of the year around here. We've got to make sure the balances that we're not adversely impacting the neighbors in the buffers. And it's tough to read on this plan. But certainly, the full-scale plans that the planning board will review, will show that at the perimeter of this site there are zero-foot candles or zero impact at all property corners along that East boundary, which is again, the NYSEG easement along the other side of the East boundary next to the motel property and along the frontage of Genesee Street, zero-foot sandals. So again, the impact of site lighting is on the site for our own safety, but not adversely impacting the neighborhood. On the zoom call is our architect from SWVR from Rochester. He is alerting me, and I apologize if I get anything wrong. Talking about architectural elements. You can see that this is going to be a two-story pitched roof with a lot of gables and a lot of accented features with hardy board type of materials. It's an all-sustainable type of materials. The interior pieces will include as Tom said, sixty units - 56 one-bedroom units and four two-bedroom units. All of those units will be senior sensitive, meaning this is a senior housing project. They will all have walk in showers, they will have pull cords for safety issues for those residents, there will be a certain percentage of the facilities of the apartments that will be ADA accessible and be specially VA units. So again, an Independent Living senior complex, but it's not a health care facility. It's independent living. But it is age restricted pieces. Carolyn, did I miss? Thank you. I'm a dirt guy. I'll be the first to admit it. But we do try. What I have is my last sheet is very similar type of layout. This is a facility. So, this project was completed two years ago, before COVID, but you can see from that picture, very similar to the layout we're talking about, but a nice looking a senior independent living facility. So that's our presentation for the public. And so, we're here for questions. And as you said, Mr. Supervisor, over the course of the next couple of weeks, as the public asked questions, we will be responsive, and try to address those as best we can. Thank you very much."

Tom Gray - "Thank you. Let me rehash for those of you who joined after we started. We are going to continue this public hearing at the February 18th meeting. At that point, we'll be talking about sewer and things like that. We will also accept emails or letters to the Town which I will compile for questions or comments, each of the next three Wednesdays. I will scan those in, I will send them to the developers, I will send them to the board. And if you send me an email on that Wednesday, I will get that out to you - the same comments on Thursday. So, we'll have plenty of opportunity to comment. Also, before we begin, all of the stuff that they presented is on the town website. Just search the

Town of Sennett - they're going to take you to Cayuga County. It's under "newsflash." Okay. As I said before, if those of you who want to want to speak, we'll get to you in just a second. Those of you that want to send your comments or questions in, we'll address those directly each week. We'll start with the audience here, sir. Do you have a pamphlet?"

Rusty Tierney - "Yeah. Okay. Hi, my name is Rusty Tierney. I live at Butera Drive. I did speak with Mr. Rizzo on the phone the other day. I've spoken with several of our neighbors. And as you know, it's a fairly expensive neighborhood with single family homes. There is a lot of concern in that area. One of the main things that's happened, and I'm sure you sent out notices, within a certain radius, I live less than a mile from that. I have not received any until just the other day when someone within our neighborhood put a notice in everybody's mailbox. So, I think in reality, there's a lot of questions out there that you have not received. And this is an enormous impact in the area. Our neighbors are genuinely concerned. And we'll get back to like we found out about this yesterday, when I spoke to Mr. Rizzo, to the impact on our houses - the value of our homes. Nothing against the attorney that spoke earlier, but he said he wouldn't be here, if he didn't think it was right. He's here because he's getting paid by the company that he works for, which is Rochester. So, I don't think that's a fair statement. So, I think you're saying that you're going to keep this open was a great idea. And it gives us some time to get back to you and a lot more information. But I would ask how far out did the notices go for that project? That project sits? in a large, vacant area? So how far did information go to the public."

Tom Gray - Matt?

Matt Napierala - "I got to address that at the last board meeting, we discussed it. We took the perimeter of the property, and we did 1000-foot radius. But again, we were filing directly in front of them. That is a legal requirement for this process to do any notices. Other than the public notices in the public papers."

Rusty Tierney - "There may not be a legal notice. As board members, there's a legal notice whether it is or not. You represent this community. One thousand feet from that property, I don't think you would have hit a single pole to notify. You need to take a step back, let the public really find out what's going on with this project. We're talking nothing against senior housing. But we're talking about putting low-income housing in a fairly expensive neighborhood. And no matter how you look at that, and you can say there's a huge demand. If you do a lot of research, you'll find out that population also is dying off within the city. I own apartments, there's several other - Boyle Center, and a lot of the other places that are senior living have had to lower their rents, because they can't keep

them full. And they have changed their criteria to let people in because they can't keep in full. So, some serious questions on what the demand really is for that within the community. So that's, that's my two cents.

Tom Gray – “So please share it with your neighbors, to go to the website and to send questions.”

Rusty Tierney - “Just to give you an idea, we've gotten together, we actually plan on sending a mailer. You know, I would again, you know, COVID makes it tough to try to, you know, people aren't in their backyards, talking to their neighbor and find out what's going on. And so, there is a huge concern...”

Rick Gagliardi - “Where do you live – Barrington?”

Rusty Tierney - “Right on Butera.”

\*At this point, the public meeting forum opened up on the Zoom platform. Many residents had an opportunity to express their thoughts and opinions of Sennett Meadows Housing Project. The public hearing lasted for approximately 44 minutes.

Tom Gray - “Okay, thank you. Good thoughts. Okay. At this point, we're going to move the meeting on until the February meeting, follow the website to check information about that. We will stay still maintain a COVID setting in this room - protection of people. I'm 71 years old. I still live in a single-family home. Hopefully, I won't have to go to this type of living someday. And we'll just wait and hear what people have to say. Send in your comments. Send in your questions. I will scan them on Wednesday, send them to the board, send them to the developers. And anybody that wants a copy, I will send them out to them on Thursday morning, if they send me an email: [supervisor@sennettny.org](mailto:supervisor@sennettny.org). Go to the website, look for further plans. And have a safe evening. We will continue this on the 18th of February. Thank you. Do I have a motion to adjourn?”

Ed Rizzo - “I'll make a motion to adjourn.”

Jim Jeffers - “I make a motion that we table the rest of the conversation about the zoning PDD until the February meeting.”

Tom Gray – “Okay, I'll second that. All in favor?” (All board members in favor).

Matt Napierala - “I just have one last thing, updated plan based on the fire department. I'm going to share them for your binders.”

Tom Gray – (Park Grant) “Okay. Thank you, Matt. Thank you. I'll await those comments. Let's move on with our meeting now. Thank you. Carol. If you can send me a link to this, I'll put it on the website, the paper you had today. Okay. Let's move on to old business. As everybody's been aware, each month we've been waiting for the Senate of the State of New York to adjourn again, so that we could move our park grant money that's owed us, out of committee. Each month, when I contact the people at the Dormitory Association, they say they can't do anything until that happens. About a week ago, I got a call from Senator Mannion's Chief of Staff. And that was to find out if the town of Sennett and they obviously called everybody else, if the town of Sennett was owed anything in previous administrations, grants and various things like that. So, they've begun to work on that. That's my update on the park.

Rich Andino - (Water III Project and Easements). “So, we have a conference call with the project team in my office, the engineer's supervisor was on the call, Councilor Rizzo, the Bond counsel, the financial advisor and Kathy Beer from Labella – to have a project team meeting to kind of figure out where we're at. We are still working through some easement issues. Ron was going to be following up with the individuals that easements are needed from. I haven't heard.”

Tom Gray – “He was very successful today. He's down to just one. I don't know if he's approached Jimmy yet, but he's down to one that he's got to contact. There was a question - There was somebody else, He talked to quite a few people today. There was a contact with Mr. Quigley. And Mr. Quigley thought that you already had an easement in his deed. Ron wasn't sure how they went about that. So, Ron will be seeking some advice from you on Monday. Okay?”

Rich Andino – “Okay, that's where we're at on the easements. I think tentatively, the terms with Mr. Panna, I think are in good shape. I'll double check on where we're at with the railroad, which might take a little bit longer. So that's where we are with the easements and hopefully, you know, we get those squared away, and I think engineering - I don't want to speak for Paul, but he said that they were still going through some of the permitting. And they're hoping to have that wrapped up fairly. So, work progresses and hopefully we you know, we can kind of move forward with this in the near future.”

Jim Jeffers – “Some of those correspondence with Mr. Panna. Just to be clear, we own an acre - plus, where the tank is on, to be interesting. Okay. So, there was some question about fencing and not being more than X number of feet from the tank.”

Rich Andino – “The effort, I forget off the top of my head what was agreed to.”



Jim Jeffers – “I would like it made clear that whether or not, it's not his property to be farming.”

Tom Gray – “So Ron will have that information with you on Monday. They were working on it yesterday and today. And we'll go from there. Procurement policy, did you get a chance to look it over?”

Jim Jeffers – “Yes.”

Tom Gray – “Any changes or additions?”

Jim Jeffers – “I have none.”

Tom Gray - “Okay. Very good. We're moving right along.”

Jim Jeffers – “I have another one on ‘old business’ though. First of the year-ish of last year, we discussed a rapid entry system. What became that?”

Tom Gray – “It's hanging on the wall right outside Kris's furnace room.”

Jim Jeffers – “So it is installed.”

Tom Gray – “It is installed.”

Jim Jeffers - “And the fire department has a key and then who else will have access? All right, so if there's a medical emergency and nobody shows up from the fire department, how...”

Kris LaPointe – “I'm assuming that one of the keys would show up? The funny part is that we had to keep the only people that have a key to that lockbox are the chiefs.”

Tom Gray – “We put the lockbox right outside Kris's furnace room here because he had to drill through the walls to attach it. There are three keys in it: Ron's building, Kris's building and access to this building and it is right through this door, or any door they want to come in.”

Jim Jeffers – “Would it be out of the question and unacceptable to ask our highway superintendent if he would be willing to have the key for that?”

Rick Gagliardi – “You already got the key for everything, don't you?”

Kris LaPointe - “I don't have a key to the lock box. I have a key of all the doors.”

Rick Gagliardi – “But you don't need it.”

Jim Jeffers - "Would it be possible, and would you be willing to be on the emergency call list if something like that happened? Is that something we should formalize with the 911 center?"

Kris LaPointe - "Just because I'm a Commissioner, I have all the calls from the fire department on my phone. The 911 call, they usually go to my phone. There's nothing official about it."

Tom Gray - "Now, Kris mentioned last month, the maintenance issues on this building - lights that don't work, the disposal by law and stuff like that. Kris, do you want to speak to that? Can you come up here just so we can pick you up with a mic?"

Kris LaPointe - "I gave everybody a list. This is everything. I've talked to everybody in the building, and this is everything that needs to be done. And that's just the list I came up with, that's all. I think some are priorities. Something I did not put on there was the parking lot up here. Something should be done with that. But everything else out here is ADA items on there for the Americans with Disabilities Act, the bathrooms, all that other stuff."

Jim Jeffers - "When we had an inspection, a while back, yes?"

Tom Gray - "We had an inspection by the federal government for the grant. And they made some suggestions that are on this list."

Jim Jeffers - "So they made suggestions that are on this list. So, I would say those would probably be top priority."

Tom Gray - "Some of them included placement of the sinks in the bathroom for people with wheelchairs and things like that, and we have that list."

Jim Jeffers - "So, we have so is everything that was on that list, on this list."

Kris LaPointe - "Yes."

Jim Jeffers - "Okay, perfect. So, if we prioritize off of this list, then we won't miss anything on that list."

Kris LaPointe - "Correct. What the man told me some of the handicap signs change the center lines that are too small and stuff like that we already did. And that's where we're at."

Jim Jeffers – “So, we're at a point now where this is the good working list right now. And now we just need to go through and prioritize some stuff and budget.”

Tom Gray – “And either hire Kris to do it in his off days or bring a contractor in. That's the decision you've got to go with. But back when I was supervisor before Kris was used to do this type of work on Friday, because there was a line in the budget for it. So, do we want to start this list now? Or do we want to review it? Now?”

Ed Rizzo - “It's a lot cheaper to hire Kris than hire a private contractor.”

Jim Jeffers - “Well, let's start with what the first thing we got to agree upon is what we're starting on. And, and get prices? Yes. I mean, what's top priority? What are the prices? And what are we affording in our budget?”

Kris LaPointe – “Okay. Whatever you want to do, it's up to you. If you want to try to. I can get prices for electrician put the lights up. I can get prices for repairs of the lights. We just did that in the fire department over there. And if the batteries are bad, it's cheaper to replace the light than it is to buy the battery.”

Jim Jeffers - “Right now they're illegal because they don't work.”

Kris LaPointe - “Right. The cameras, a lot like the old security system, I don't know. I have the people's names. I'll put that up. That hasn't worked at least, in a couple years.”

Jim Jeffers – “I was going to say and that's fairly old technology. So pretty similar things we would probably rather upgrade to.”

Kris LaPointe - “But no, it's got to be done, is it needs to be turned on. There are only two cameras. But I don't know anything about that stuff. I don't know if we have to have a program from the company to put it up there, I don't know how that works. Like I said, for the lighting, I can get a contractor for the for the lighting. I can get price from Arnelle contractors for the siding and salt shed and in the metal siding and the transparent ones inside. Repairs for gutters. I'm trying to find the door guy. Nobody works on these doors anymore. We can't find anybody. Fire department has the same problem. John and I, we're trying to find somebody and put some calls up, but nobody returns our calls. Nobody works on them anymore.”

Tom Gray - “Well, we'll ask around on that. But right now - that some of the times the doors don't close.”

Kris LaPointe – “Right, they don't close all the way and they really don't operate correctly. And some of the other things I put in there, I know we talked about before, and especially now with COVID. If we got a door guy, if you know, because the doors are locked and they come in by appointment, it would be nice to have a button for whoever is in the town clerk's office. They can look and see you there, and push the button, so the door unlocks.

Rick Gagliardi – “We probably need new doors.”

Kris LaPointe – “I guess - maybe they put in a mechanism. And door closures on here that, we have three of them. I don't know where the other ones went, they are all broken on the doors. It's fire code also because they're supposed to close by themselves.”

Tom Gray – “Why don't we operate on those and the lights right now? These lights - to get that up to code.”

Kris LaPointe – “That's fine. But if you want me to get a price from a contractor, I can do that with whatever you want to do.”

Tom Gray – “Can you replace these lights yourself? Okay, so we'll get some prices. We'll send those prices out to those people to look at the lights and the door closures right now and we will start pecking away at this list.”

Kris LaPointe – “Just let me know if you want to view the price.”

Tom Gray – “Okay, good. We asked Jeremy at the Organizational meeting to find a second alternate for the Planning board. He checked with the Planning Board members. He came up with the name of Mary Major - I know he sent that out to everybody. I've met Mary before. Do you want to make a statement or anything about it?”

Jeremy Bacon – “She comes highly recommended from the vice chair. I just had a lengthy conversation with her recently, and she comes from a family of public servants from the Skaneateles area. A large family, the Major's. Her dad, he's like eighty and is still judge over there. She's somewhat familiar with zoning. He was actually the supervisor during the whole Roger Scott house issue. She's getting ready to retire from teaching and says she would have retired a couple years earlier as a sixth-grade teacher.”

Tom Gray - “I like to make the motion to nominate the appoint Mary Major as the second alternate either/or as an alternate for the Planning board, for this a one-year appointment as an alternate.”

Ed Rizzo – “I’ll second it.”

Tom Gray - “Ed seconds it. Any discussion? All in favor? (All voted ‘aye’). Thank you. Department reports. We have the reports in the folder from most everybody. Do we have anything else this evening? I know Mike is fixing his furnace in the Adirondacks.”

Jim Jeffers – “I make a motion we open the public be heard ‘.

Tom Gray – “Motion is made for the open for the public to be heard. We moved it to the end of the meeting today. And we’ve been trying to do it before and after at the end of the meeting each month now. I’ll second that. All in favor? (All were in favor)

Jason Lesch - “I’m glad and having me say that I like it.”

Tom Gray – “Because there’s a lot of stuff that comes up. Wait a second. Jason’s got something here. Jason’s still on. Go ahead. Jason.”

Jason Lesch - “I just had a question about the state budget. and if there’s an impact on the town of Sennett regarding the governor’s budget.”

Tom Gray – “I think that I might be off by a couple \$1,000. We generate only about \$75,000 from the State a year”.

Jim Jeffers – “The simple answer is we don’t know yet.”

Tom Gray – “Everybody else looks like they got cut by 20%. I was looking at the numbers from Onondaga County today. I imagine we are similar. Once I hear I’ll let you know.”

Jason Lesch - “Okay, thank you, that was it.”

Tom Gray – “And it will probably be in the Citizen soon. We only generate about \$75,000 a year from the State.

Kris LaPointe - “Hi, this is Kris LaPointe, the Highways Superintendent. Can you hear me, Jason? Okay, on that funding there, we get C.H.I.P.S funding from the State. That was cut by 20% last year, and I believe it’s going to be done the same thing this year. But I haven’t gotten a letter from them yet as far as the highway department goes.”

Jim Jeffers – “When you say it’s cut. Are you saying it’s going to be cut another 20%?”

Kris LaPointe – “No, I don't know. But the way it's, there's a lot more money with infrastructure. How much of that we're going to get all depends.”

Jim Jeffers – “Not a 40% reduction in two years.”

Kris LaPointe – “And that's what I put in my budget, yes.”

Tom Gray – “Everybody was aware of the sales tax statement in your folder. Sales tax for Cayuga County went down 4% this year. In last year's budget for 2020, anticipated sales tax was budgeted at 1.1 million. We received 1.187 million. So, we're \$87,000 ahead because of the fact that we didn't know what the future was going to bring. This year's budget, we've only anticipated \$900,000, so if the sales tax comes back like it did this year, we'll be in good shape. Okay. Do I have a motion to approve the abstracts with three or more signatures?”

Ed Rizzo – “I make a motion to close the public.”

Tom Gray – “Okay, motion to close the public hearing.”

Jim Jeffers – “Second.”

Tom Gray – “All in favor? (All were in favor). Motion to approve the abstracts with three or more signatures.”

Jim Jeffers – “So moved.”

Tom Gray – “Roll Call. Jimmy. Yes. Ed Yes, Tom. Yes. Thank you. We have motion to adjourn. Okay, those of you that are still on zoom, have a safe weekend. And we'll talk to you soon Jason, feel free to give me a call if you have any questions.”

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by AnnMarie Clarke.