A Work Session was held February 2, 2016 at Hutchinson Hall, Town of Newark Valley at 7:00 pm. The following were

PRESENT: Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor Timothy Dalton, Councilman Joe Tomazin, Jr., Councilman Daniel Cheresnowski, Councilman Warren Smith, Councilman

Also Present: Charles Meade; Highway Superintendent, Denise Liske; Dog Control Officer, Charlie Morgan, Del Mock, and Tom Larson; Code.

Supervisor Yetter called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Yetter led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Highway

Superintendent Meade discussed with the Board the following:

- The salt storage shed
- Rob Browne is out with an appendectomy.
- ✤ Vehicle maintenance
- ✤ Cat Ex repairs
- ✤ Garage maintenance
- ✤ The winter (or lack of) weather

Board of Assessment Review

Sam Chopiak has given his letter of resignation. Does the Board have any suggestions for a replacement? We have two openings.

Lawn Maintenance Services

Dave Hotaling submitted his proposal for lawn mowing, etc. He wants the same price as last year for mowing the Town's lawn, cemeteries, flowers for the flower box, and flowers for the cemetery barrels.

Resolution #20-2016

<u>Cemeteries/ Lawn Mowing/Flower Box/</u> <u>Cemetery Barrels Contract</u>

On a motion offered by Councilman Tomazin and seconded by Councilman Dalton, the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to approve the proposal from Dave Hotaling for mowing six cemeteries and the Town Hall lawn for the same price as last year. He will also fill the flower bed at Hutchinson Hall and put flowers in barrels in front of the cemeteries.

Councilman Dalton - AYE Councilman Smith – AYE Councilman Cheresnowski – AYE Councilman Tomazin - AYE Supervisor Yetter, Jr. - AYE **Motion Carried**

Resolution 21-2016

Code Training

On a motion offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Cheresnowski, the Board approved training for Dennis Liebe and Tom Larson on February 10, 2016 in Sidney, NY at a cost of \$30.00 each plus mileage.

Councilman Dalton - AYE Councilman Tomazin, Jr. - AYE Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE Councilman Smith - AYE Supervisor Yetter, Jr. - AYE **Motion Carried**

Jim VanOstrand, one of the Fire Commissioners, has asked that the fees be waived for all the building permits for the Newark Valley Fire District addition. After the discussion, the Board decided not to waive the fees because of the fact that we are one of multiple towns the fire district covers and believes the fees should be shared.

Public Hearing for Local Law #1 Entitled "Dog Control and Licensing of the Town of Newark Valley – Local Law #1-2016"

Resolution #22-2016

Open Public Hearing for Local Law #1

On a motion offered by Councilman Cheresnowski seconded by Councilman Dalton, the Public Hearing for Local Law #1 Entitled "Dog Control and Licensing of the Town of Newark Valley – Local Law #1-2016" was opened at 7:15 P.M.

Councilman Dalton - AYE Councilman Tomazin, Jr. - AYE Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE Councilman Smith - AYE Supervisor Yetter, Jr. - AYE **Motion Carried**

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to hear concerns about adopting a new law to bring our law into compliance with the NYS Ag & Markets regulations. After a short discussion and because there were no comments from the public the Public Hearing was closed.

Resolution #23-2016

On a motion offered by Councilman Dalton seconded by Councilman Smith, the Public Hearing for Local Law #1 Entitled "Dog Control and Licensing of the Town of Newark Valley – Local Law #1-2016" was closed at 7:19 P.M.

Councilman Dalton - AYE Councilman Tomazin, Jr. - AYE Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE Councilman Smith - AYE Supervisor Yetter, Jr. - AYE **Motion Carried**

Close Public Hearing for Local Law #1

Resolution #24-2016

Adoption of Local Law #1-2016

On a motion offered by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Cheresnowski, the Board adopted Local Law #1 Entitled "Dog Control and Licensing of the Town of Newark Valley – Local Law #1-2016" as written.

Councilman Dalton - AYE Councilman Tomazin, Jr. - AYE Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE Councilman Smith - AYE Supervisor Yetter, Jr. - AYE **Motion Carried**

Department Reports

Code Enforcement

There was discussion about the messy house on Ketchumville Rd.

Tom Larson said this is a slow time of year for him. So for him, if there are going to be changes to the Code book, this would be a good time to get it done.

There was no response from the Board.

There was discussion about the Patterson property.

Dog Control

Denise Liske discussed with the Board the following:

- Delinquent dogs and unlicensed dogs
- Stray Haven
- Neglected dog complaints
- Carrying some sort of protection against aggressive dogs

Historian

Marty Schneider sent an email to Supervisor Yetter. They were awarded the grant they applied for. She will be in touch with the paperwork.

There was discussion about the EMS RFPs.

On a motion offered by Councilman Tomazin and seconded by Councilman Dalton, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

The next scheduled meeting is February 16, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Mock