June 5, 2018
Town Board Meeting

The Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lexington was called to order on June 5, 2018 at 6:00 P.M., by Supervisor John Berger at the Lexington Municipal Building, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT:  Supervisor ....................................... John Berger
Council Members................................. Michael Barcone
William Pushman
Jo Ellen Schermerhorn
Bradley Jenkins
Town Clerk ..................................................Charlotte Jaeger
Superintendent of Highways ............Frank Hermance

OTHERS PRESENT: Bonnie Blader, Lynn Byrne, Alfred Trusdell, Barry & Susan Craft, Paula Heisen, John Falke, and Mike Ryan from the Mountain Eagle.

Accept April 20 Minutes
On a motion by Council Member JoEllen Schermerhorn, seconded by Council Member (William Pushman), the following resolution was,

NOT ADOPTED: Ayes - 3 - Berger, Schermerhorn, and Barcone
Absent - 2 - Jenkins, Pushman
Nays - 0

Therefore, Town of Lexington Town Board was not able to accept the minutes of the special meeting held on April 20, 2018 because the second was made by William Pushman who was not in attendance of that meeting.

RESOLUTION # 56-18
Accept May 1 Minutes
On a motion by Council Member William Pushman, seconded by Council Member Bradley Jenkins, the following motion was,

ADOPTED: Ayes – 4 - Berger, Schermerhorn, Jenkins, & Pushman
Absent –1 - Barcone
Nays – 0

Therefore the Town of Lexington Town Board moves to accept the minutes of the special meeting held on May 1, 2018.

RESOLUTION # 57-18
Financial Report – as of 04/30/18
On a motion by Council Member JoEllen Schermerhorn, seconded by Council Member Michael Barcone, the following resolution was,

ADOPTED : Ayes - 5 - Berger, Pushman, Schermerhorn, Jenkins, and Barcone
Nays - 0

Therefore, Town of Lexington Town Board moves to approve the financial report as of April 30, 2018.

RESOLUTION # 58-18
Summer Youth Program
Supervisor John Berger explained that there didn't seem to be enough interest to have the summer youth program. He said that no one was interested in being the director and that only several children were interested in going this year. The number of children have been dwindling each year. The cost of the program was $7,175.00. Supervisor Berger suggested the Town of Lexington cancel the summer youth program for 2018 and use the money set aside for it to reduce the Worker's Compensation debt.

On a motion by Supervisor John Berger, seconded by Council Member Bradley Jenkins the following resolution was,

ADOPTED: Ayes – 5 – Berger, Barcone, Jenkins, Pushman, and Schermerhorn
Nays – 0

Grounds and Maintenance Position
Supervisor John Berger explained that the Town of Lexington properties are expanding and in the near future the Town may be taking over some of the cemeteries. With that being said the Supervisor would like to create a part-time position to mow and maintain these properties. The position would be 1 -2 days a week possibly 3 and it would be funded from the General fund and not the Highway fund. It would be a salaried position as well as seasonal, for example starting May 1st to October 31st. Council Member Bradley Jenkins suggested a department of public works and that way people could transfer back and forth between General and Highway. Town Supervisor John Berger would like to put a job description together which would include taking care of flowers and putting up flags as well as mowing and maintenance. Supervisor Berger will present this at the next Town Board Meeting.

RESOLUTION # 59-18
Change Office Hours of the Town Clerk
On a motion by Council Member William Pushman, seconded by Council Member Michael Barcone, the following resolution was,

ADOPTED: Ayes - 5 - Berger, Jenkins, Schermerhorn, Barcone, & Pushman.
Nays - 0

Therefore, Town of Lexington Town Board moves to approve the new office hours of the Town Clerk effective July 1st. The new hours will be Monday – Thursday 8:00 A.M. To 1:00 P.M. And 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. With additional appointments upon request.

Change Date of Regular Board Meeting in July

Supervisor Berger suggested the date of the July Town Board meeting be changed because of the July 4th holiday as there will not be enough members to hold a meeting. With none opposed the new date for the July Town Board meeting will be Wednesday, July 11, 2018.

RESOLUTION #60-18
Appoint a Byway Committee

On a motion by Council Member Bradley Jenkins, seconded by Council Member JoEllen Schermerhorn the following resolution was,

ADOPTED: Ayes – 5 – Berger, Jenkins, Barcone, Pushman, & Schermerhorn
Nays - 0

Therefore, the Town of Lexington Town Board moves to appoint Mary Palazzolo and Nancy Orr to the Byway Committee.

RESOLUTION #61-18
Highway 284 Change

Supervisor John Berger informed the Town Board that instead of Beech Ridge Road by William Hoagland’s, Mineaw Road will be paved. Supervisor Berger has been informed that Route 42 will be paved this summer and that there will be millings that the Town of Lexington could purchase at a reasonable rate, which means more town roads could be paved. Wolfe Road to Schering's Bridge, H.Truessell Sr. Road, Ad Van Road, and Rusk Mountain Road were some that were mentioned. It was also mentioned that Schering's Bridge is in bad shape, but it is a Greene County bridge.

On a motion by Council Member Bradley Jenkins, seconded by Council Member Michael Barcone, the following resolution was,

ADOPTED : Ayes - 5 - Berger, Jenkins, Barcone, Pushman, & Schermerhorn
Nays - 0

Therefore, Town of Lexington Town Board moves to change the Highway Section 284.

Facelift of Municipal Building

Supervisor John Berger passed around a picture of what the front of the building would look like with some improvements. Some of the improvements include planting some shrubs and putting in blue stone pavers to make a walkway from the brick garden. Also paint the front of the building. The Supervisor asked permission to get some proposals or written estimates for this project. The Supervisor expects the cost to be in the range of $10,000 - $12,000 and he said it would be nice to get the project finished in time for the Dedication of the Brick Garden which will be held some time in the fall.

RESOLUTION #62-18
Audit Committee Report to Pay Monthly Expenditures

On a motion by Council Member JoEllen Schermerhorn, seconded by Council Member Michael Barcone, the following resolution was,

ADOPTED - Ayes – 5 - Berger, Jenkins, Barcone Schermerhorn, & Pushman.
Nays - 0

Therefore, Town of Lexington Town Board moves to approve paying the expenditures for the Month of June 2018.

Resolved that the bills be paid on General Fund Abstract # 6 in the following amounts

| General Fund | No. 132 through 165 = $43,965.02 |

Resolved that the bills be paid on Highway Fund Abstract # 6 in the following amounts:

| Highway Fund | No. 76 through 114 = $41,365.22 |

Resolved that the bills be paid on Special District Fund Abstract # 5 in the following amounts:

| Special District | No. 5 through 5 = $245.44 |
Resolved that the bills be paid on **Sewer District Fund Abstract # 6** in the following amounts:

| Sewer District         | No. 27 through 35 = $2,065.00 |

**Code Enforcement Report**

Supervisor John Berger reviewed the report. Each Council Member has a copy of the Code Enforcement Officer's Report. The month of May 2018 shows 6 permits were issued, 4 C of O requests, and 0 violation letters.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Paula asked for an update on the park. Supervisor John Berger said that we are just waiting for Lowes. The fence, pergola, and playground have all been ordered. Supervisor Berger said that the Town has only received one proposal for the vegetation and as it stands right now, Kern's Nursery will probably do the work. There was some discussion on getting rid of knot weed. Greene County Soil & Water have some programs as well as Cornell Extension on eradication of knot weed.

Highway Superintendent Frank Hermance said that the new truck will be here in August.

**RESOLUTION # 63-18**

**Open Executive Session**

On a motion by Council Member William Pushman, seconded by Council Member Michael Barcone, to open for executive session at 6:44 P.M.

ADOPTED - Ayes – 5 - Berger, Jenkins, Barcone Schermerhorn, & Pushman.
Nays – 0

**RESOLUTION # 64-18**

**Close Executive Session**

On a motion by Council Member JoEllen Schermerhorn, seconded by Council Member Bradley Jenkins to come out of executive session at 7:07 P.M.

ADOPTED - Ayes – 5 - Berger, Jenkins, Barcone Schermerhorn, & Pushman.
Nays - 0

**Adjourn**

With no further business, on a motion from Council Member Bradley Jenkins, seconded by Council Member Michael Barcone, the meeting shall be adjourned at 7:07 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Supervisor John Berger adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Jaeger, Town Clerk