

The May meeting of the East Otto Town Board was called to order at 6:00 PM by Deputy Supervisor Dave Forster on Tuesday May 11, 2021. Present were Town Supervisor, Ann Rugg, councilmen, Dave Forster, Bill Spors, Sid Barber and Angela Sherman, Highway Superintendent Tom Benz, Clerk Deanna Bowen and CEO Jeff Holler.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to authorize the Supervisor to pay all general and highway funds bills audited. Forster, Spors, Barber, Sherman and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

	Abstract #	Claim #	Amount
Highway	005	41-54	\$8,466.25
General	005	21-24	\$ 1,564.74

Clerk paid to Supervisor \$497.52 for April 2021 fees and commissions.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Angela Sherman to approve and waive the reading of the April 13, 2021 meeting minutes. Forster, Spors, Barber, Sherman and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to approve and waive the reading of the April 27, 2021 meeting minutes. Forster, Spors, Barber, Sherman and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to accept the audit of the April 2021 prepaid utility bills as presented. Forster, Spors, Barber, Sherman and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Angela Sherman to authorize the Supervisor to sign the MOA.

Roll Call vote as follows:

Councilman David Forster	yes	Councilman William Spors	yes
Councilman Sidney Barber	yes	Councilman Angela Sherman	yes
Supervisor Ann Rugg	yes		

All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Angela Sherman to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

Town Board, Town of East Otto

AUTHORIZING THE REFERRAL OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3-2021, ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON SOLAR ENERGY, WIND ENERGY, AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS," TO THE CATTARAUGUS COUNTY PLANNING

DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW 239-M

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of East Otto deems it is necessary, advisable, and in the best interests of the Town to enact Local Law No. 3-2021 ("proposed Local Law No. 3-2021), entitled "A Local Law Imposing a Moratorium on Solar Energy, Wind Energy, and Battery Energy Storage Systems,"

WHEREAS, proposed Local Law No. 3-2021 was duly introduced by Supervisor Ann Rugg at the regular monthly meeting of the Town Board on May 11, 2021.

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law 239-m, proposed Local Law No. 3-2021 must be referred to the Cattaraugus County Planning Board for review and comment:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Otto, hereby authorizes and directs the Supervisor to submit proposed Local Law No. 3-2021 to the Cattaraugus County Planning Board for review and comment.

Roll Call vote as follows:

Councilman David Forster	yes	Councilman William Spors	yes
Councilman Sidney Barber	yes	Councilman Angela Sherman	yes
Supervisor Ann Rugg	yes		

All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Angela Sherman and seconded by Dave Forster to adopt Local Law #2 and opt out of tax breaks. Roll Call vote as follows:

Councilman David Forster	yes	Councilman William Spors	yes
Councilman Sidney Barber	yes	Councilman Angela Sherman	yes
Supervisor Ann Rugg	yes		

All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Angela Sherman and seconded by Sid Barber to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the East Otto Town Board supports the efforts of Cattaraugus County's Real Property Tax Services in updating the 2022 assessment roll to full-market value and

WHEREAS, the Town feels that it is necessary to conduct a reassessment project of all properties to maintain a uniform standard of assessment for the Town; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Otto, New York, that the Town of East Otto hereby requests State assistance, specifically from the New York State Office of Real Property Tax Services, to do a reassessment project to maintain a uniform standard of assessment in accordance with Section 305 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Roll Call vote as follows:

Councilman David Forster	yes	Councilman William Spors	yes
Councilman Sidney Barber	yes	Councilwoman Angela Sherman	yes
Supervisor Ann Rugg			yes

All were in favor. Motion carried.

CEO Report: Jeff completed 13 inspections, answered 19 phone calls, issued 9 permits, 2 addresses and deposited \$610.00 to the clerk for permits issued

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Angela Sherman to advertise a public notice for scaping and painting the East Otto Historical Building using their own equipment and supplies. Forster, Spors, Barber, Sherman and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Angela Sherman and seconded by Dave Forster to adjourn at 7:34 PM. Forster, Sherman and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be June 8, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Deanna Bowen
Town Clerk

