

The Bergen Town Board convened in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall with Supervisor Cunningham presiding.

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Donald Cunningham  
Councilman Brian Stone  
Councilwoman Belinda Grant  
Councilman Ernest Haywood  
Councilman Daniel VanValkenburg

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Michele M. Smith, Town Clerk  
Mike Johnson, Superintendent  
Dave Mason, ZEO/CEO

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Tim Donovan  
Rochelle Stein  
Lynne Belluscio  
Tom Tiefel (8:23)

**PRAYER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**America's Best Communities Funding** County Legislator, Rochelle Stein and Lynne Belluscio, Leroy Historian discussed funding; The Towns of Bergen and Leroy won \$50,000 towards a community revitalization plan with a local cash match of \$15,000; Town of Leroy needs - gas, access to broadband, sewer at interchange. Fundraising events: used BBKA's Blinko Board at the Oatka Fest; Field to Fork Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>; Invest in Americas Best Campaign. They are requesting a \$1,000.00 commitment from the Town of Bergen. *Councilman Stone made a motion to use \$2,000 from the B 1440.4 Engineering toward the Americas Best Communities fundraising; seconded by Councilman Haywood and carried by a vote 5-0.*

**MINUTES:** *Councilwoman Grant made a motion to approve the minutes of July 28, 2015; seconded by Councilman VanValkenburg and it carried by a vote 5-0.*

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Supervisors Report for July 2015  
Summary Spread Sheet for July 2015  
Town Clerk's Report for July 2015  
ZEO/CEO Report for July 2015  
Notice of Membership Dues for 2016 from Association of Towns  
Travel Request from Justice Nenni  
Email notification from Byron-Bergen Public Library, Re: Construction Grant Award Notice

**REPORTS:**

**ZEO/CEO:** Dan Bryson is drafting a letter for N Lake property about mowing property; Swamp Rd. property is cleaning up.

**HIGHWAY:** road work continuing; helping village with walking path; discussion on updating 5 yr old loader;

**TOWN CLERK'S & SUPERVISORS JULY 2015 REPORTS:** *Councilwoman Grant made a motion to file the Town Clerk's & Supervisors July 2015 Report; seconded by Councilman VanValkenburg and it carried by a vote 5 -0.*

**COMMITTEES:**

**Parks:** nothing to report  
**Buildings & Grounds:** Library Grant was awarded.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**DEC** Supervisor Cunningham contacted DEC about human waste spreading - Sheard's does have an active registration but is not aware of current spreading

**Milseat CAB Appointment** Councilwoman Grant made a motion to appoint Councilman VanValkenburg to the Milseat CAB; seconded by Councilman Haywood and carried by a vote 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Travel Request** Councilman Stone made a motion to accept the Travel Request from Justice Nenni to Niagara Falls Conference not to exceed \$902.52; seconded by Councilman VanValkenburg and it carried by a vote 5-0.

**Association of Towns** Councilman Stone made a motion to approve the 2016 membership increase for The Association of Towns to \$899.00; seconded by Councilman Haywood and carried by a vote 5-0.

**Time Warner Franchise Agreement** Board members to review cable franchise negotiation proposal from Cohen

**Swamp Road Public Water Request** Resident at Bergen/Byron line is interested in connecting to Byron's service.

**BILLS:** The bills were presented for audit and totaled General A Fund \$6,502.42; General B Fund \$8,261.01; Highway DB \$46,451.28; Water District \$500.00; PA Vouchers #10448-10449 for A Fund \$2,243.46 & DB Fund \$4,288.92. Councilman Haywood made a motion to pay the August bills; seconded by Councilman Grant and it carried by a vote 5-0.

**REGULAR MEETING** – Tuesday, August 25, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Courtroom

**EXECUTIVE Session:** Councilwoman Grant made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:22 pm to discuss security of town property with Historian Tom Tiefel in attendance; seconded by Councilman Stone and carried by a vote 5-0. Councilman Stone made a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:07 pm; seconded by Councilwoman Grant and it carried by a vote 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT** was at 9:08 pm on a motion by Councilman Haywood; seconded by Councilman VanValkenburg and carried by a vote of 5 -0.

Respectfully submitted

*Michele M. Smith*

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Town Clerk