A regular meeting of the Ontario Town Board was called to order by Deputy Supervisor Joseph Catalano at 7:00 p.m. in the Ontario Town Hall. Present were Council members: Scott TeWinkle, Richard Leszyk, Jason Ruffell, Attorney Richard Williams, Water Superintendent Adam Cummings, Assessor Melissa Halstead, Highway Superintendent Marilee Stollery, Code Enforcement Officer Brian Smith and Town Clerk Debra DeMinck.

Absent: Supervisor Frank Robusto

22 residents and visitors were present at portions of the meeting.

Mr. Catalano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Revisions to the Agenda** - A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Leszyk, to approve the agenda as presented. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

**Public Comment** – During this public comment portion of the meeting, several business owners and residents discussed the current sign code and how they felt it could be improved upon. The Chamber of Commerce offered their help.

The code needs to be clarified and have consistency.

**Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)** – A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2018 meeting as presented. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

**Correspondence** – None

**New Business** – A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. TeWinkle, to authorize the Superintendent of Highways to sign the purchase order for Contractual costs for 2018 Drainage work for $50,000.00 from budget code SD8540.4. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to authorize the RG&E Pump Station Improvements on Lake Road for soft starts and ancillary equipment from Siewert Equipment for $5,647.00 from budget code SS8120.4 as requested by the Superintendent of Water in a memo dated February 22, 2018. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Leszyk, to authorize the Water Superintendent to purchase new Badger Orion water meter replacement parts and registrations from Badger Meter (sole source vendor) for an amount not to exceed $5,865 from budget code F8340.4. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Catalano, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to accept the following:

THE DEDICATION OF A PARCEL OF LAND FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES
OF THE COMMUNITY RIDGE DEVELOPMENT
TOWN OF ONTARIO, COUNTY OF WAYNE

WHEREAS, Fedyk Builders, Inc., by “Offer of Dedication of Land for Public Highway Purposes”, dated January 30, 2018, has offered to dedicate certain lands in the Town of Ontario, Wayne County, New York consisting of an extension of the existing “Community Lane”, as shown on a map entitled "Realignment Community Lane To Be Conveyed," prepared by O’Neill – Rodak, Land Surveying Associates, P.C., having Project No. 2016-0187 New Road, dated November 1, 2017, and such Offer has been presented to the Town
Board of the Town of Ontario, and it appearing therefrom to the satisfaction of the Town Board that the lands so offered for dedication have been and are properly surveyed and mapped and should be accepted as Lands of said Town, and that all claims for damage have been properly released;

NOW, on Motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Ontario does hereby consent that the aforesaid land, located in the Town of Ontario, Wayne County, New York, and as more particularly described as set forth on “Schedule A” hereof, be accepted in dedication for highway purposes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that any taxes that are currently due or will become due on said parcel of land, as a result of the assessment roll in effect at the time of this acceptance, shall be the responsibility of the grantor dedicating the parcel of land to the Town. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Ruffell) RESOLUTION ADOPTED

A motion was made by Mr. Catalano, seconded by Mr. Leszyk, to adopt the following resolution to set a Public Hearing:

In the Matter of the Establishment of the
“Community Ridge Lighting District”
East of Furnace Road and on the South Side of Ridge Road

WHEREAS, a Petition, signed by the owner of the proposed establishment of the above Lighting District has been presented to the Town Board of Ontario, Wayne County, New York, the said proposed Lighting District being located, in general terms, East of Furnace Road and on the South side of Ridge Road, comprising approximately 56.534 acres, as is more particularly set forth in the Petition herein; and

WHEREAS, no public monies are to be expended for the construction or acquisition of said Extension; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the costs associated with maintenance of the poles, fixtures and wiring, as well as electrical service thereto, be contracted for by the Town during the existence of the said Lighting District; and that the annual amount thereof, estimated to be $32.96 for a typical homeowner in the first year of the Town’s maintenance, be assessed upon the tax rolls of the owners of real property within the entire District, to be paid by the said owners of real property within the said District, annually, on an ad valorem basis;

NOW, ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it is

RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held before the Town Board of the Town of Ontario, at the Town of Ontario Town Hall, on the 26th day of March, 2018 at 7:00 o’clock P.M., Local Time, to consider the said Petition and to hear all persons interested therein, and for such other and further action on the part of the Town Board with relation to the said Petition as may be required by law or proper in the premises; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a copy of the within Resolution be published in a newspaper that is designated as the official paper of the Town for such publication, and a copy of the within Resolution also be posted on the bulletin board of the Town Clerk of the Town of Ontario, New York, maintained pursuant to Section 30 of the Town Law, not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the said hearing. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Board reports – Mr. Catalano stated he has been helping the Supervisor while he is on vacation. The town has been working with FEMA for a grant for water damage?
He also stated several employees were out on medical leave and we wish them well.

Approval of Claims – A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to approve the abstract of claims for February 26, 2018 including vouchers #278 through #429 (278 used by the Business Office, Town Board pulled voucher #400 for $727.30 for review ) with a grand total of $174,161.04 and to
authorize the Supervisor to issue payments for same. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

**Workshop Items** – Sign Discussion
The board had a discussion regarding the current sign code.
Brian Smith, Code Enforcement Officer, would like direction on how to proceed. There is a lot left to interpretation and he would like it clarified.
Business owners voiced their concerns and suggestions to the board.
After a brief discussion among board members and listening to the public the Town Attorney, Richard Williams, feels the town needs to devise a code that works better and supports the Code Enforcement Officer.
Mr. Ruffell will send Chapter 150-48 to board members for them to look at and red line with suggestions.

**Adjourn** – A motion was made by Mr. Catalano, seconded by Mr. Leszyk, to adjourn at 8:39 p.m.
4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent (Robusto) MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Debra DeMinck
Ontario Town Clerk

The above minutes will become official upon approval of the town board.