A regular meeting of the Ontario Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Frank Robusto at 7:00 p.m. in the Ontario Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Robusto, Council members: Scott TeWinkle, Joseph Catalano, Richard Leszyk, Jason Ruffell, Highway Superintendent Marilee Stollery, Attorney Richard Williams and Town Clerk Debra DeMinck.

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

Mr. Robusto led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A legal notice of Public Hearing was published in the Wayne County Mail/Sun & Record on March 8th and in the Times of Wayne County on March 11th. It was also posted on the Town Clerks Board on March 8, 2018 for the Community Ridge Lighting District.

Supervisor Robusto opened the Public Hearing at and asked if there were any questions or comments.

Attorney Richard Williams explained that Phase I is starting. The lighting district will be paid for by the residents of the community and the lights will be located in the right of way.

Mr. Catalano asked who owned the poles. The response was that RG&E owns the poles and lights and they are leased to the Town. If they could be changed to LED they would be much cheaper. Mr. Robusto is looking into grants.

Mr. Switzer asked how far Phase I was going. Mr. Williams answered just hundreds of feet and they will be apartment buildings Lights will be consistent throughout the whole development.

A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. TeWinkle, to close the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.
5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Revisions to the Agenda - A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Catalano, to approve the agenda with one change: pulling the Union Hill Fire Department agreement under new business.
5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting(s) – A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. TeWinkle, to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2018 meeting as presented. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED
A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Leszyk, to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2018 workshop meeting as presented. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Old Business – Sign discussion
The Town Board had a brief discussion regarding the sign code. They are making headway with good discussion.
Mr. Ruffell is organizing the changes and trying to merge the different ideas people have offered. He will send the board members draft number 4 and wait for their input.

New Business – A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to authorize Justice William C. Benedict II to attend the final session of Taking the Bench to be held in Albany on April 27, 201 with all necessary expenses to be a town charge. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED
A motion was made by Mr. Catalano, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Wayne County Public Works mowing contract for the Town of Ontario Highway Department to mow on county
roads from April 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 for $5,992.50 as presented. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Ontario – Wayne Stormwater Coalition agreement for 2018 and to issue the annual membership fee of $5,000 as presented as recommended in memo 18-02. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. TeWinkle, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to authorize the Highway Superintendent to advertise for a part time clerk for MS4/Watershed not to exceed 20 hours per week at $14.00 per hour with no benefits as requested in memo 18-03. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

The Town Board acknowledged the Highway Superintendents intent to hire two (2) seasonal MEO/Laborers for the summer and these positions are budgeted for in the 2018 highway budget. This was stated in memo 18-04.

The request to authorize the Highway Superintendent to repair the 2004 JD 200 CLC Shovel for a cost not to exceed $10,000 as requested in memo 18-05 was withdrawn until more information can be acquired.

The Supervisor will be signing the annual maintenance agreement between Postler & Jaeckle Corp and the Town of Ontario for the Cooling Tower at Town Hall for an amount not to exceed $2,890.00. This annual maintenance is required by the State.

A motion was made by Mr. Robusto, seconded by Mr. TeWinkle, to adopt the following Order Creating District:

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

WHEREAS, a Petition having been duly presented to the Town Board of the Town of Ontario, Wayne County, New York, together with the necessary maps and information which requests the establishment of the above Lighting District; and

WHEREAS, the Town Assessor has submitted a Certificate, in writing, verifying that the aforesaid Petition was signed by the required percentage of owners within the proposed District; and

WHEREAS, a Resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board on the 26th day of February, 2018, for the hearing of all persons interested in the matter to be held on the 26th day of March, 2018, at 7:00 o’clock P.M., Local Time, at the Town Hall, 1850 Ridge Road, Town of Ontario, New York; and

WHEREAS, due proof of publication and posting of the said Notice has been duly filed with the Clerk of the said Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the hearing required by the said Resolution has been duly held, and it appears from the said Petition that the creation of the Lighting District does not require any expenditure of money for the construction or acquisition of the improvement therein, and does not require the financing of the cost thereof by the issuance of any bonds, notes, certificates of any indebtedness of said Town; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the Town of Ontario, being Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA, has previously issued a Negative Declaration of Environmental Significance; and
WHEREAS, the permission of the Comptroller of the State of New York is not required for the creation of the District;

NOW, ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it is

RESOLVED, that

(a) The Petition is signed and acknowledged or approved as required by law and is otherwise sufficient;
(b) All the property and property owners within the Lighting District are benefited thereby;
(c) All the property and property owners benefited are included within the limits of the District;
(d) The expenses of the District are to be paid by the property owners of the District, annually, on an ad valorem basis; and
(e) It is in the public interest to grant in whole the relief sought; and it is further

RESOLVED, that “Community Ridge Lighting District”, be and the same hereby is created, and, as hereby created, are as set forth in Exhibits “A”, “B” and “C” annexed hereto, and as further set forth on the maps annexed hereto as Exhibits “D”, “E” and “F”. 5 Ayes 0 Nays RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Appointments/Resignations – A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to accept the resignation of Tab Orbaker from the Planning Board effective March 26, 2018 and to post the vacancy with a deadline of Friday, April 13, 2018 for applicants. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Board reports – Mr. TeWinkle stated the Easter Egg Hunt held last weekend at Casey Park was well attended. He also stated that the annual park cleanup will be held April 21st. He thanked the highway department for clearing the driveway to the Ontario Cemetery for a funeral.

Mr. Robusto attended the Annual Fireman’s Banquet last week. Three residents were recognized for 60 years of service – Jim Doyle, Bill Slocum and Al Blythe.
Mr. Robusto will also be developing a mission statement that he will be talking to Department Heads on Wednesday, April 4th at his Department Head meeting.

Mr. Leszyk feels the direction the Town Board has taken is positive since Mr. Robusto has been Supervisor.

Mr. Ruffell will be attending the Library Board of Trustees meeting and will be coming before the board with recommendations from them.

Approval of Claims – A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Catalano, to approve the abstract of claims for March 26, 2018 including vouchers #572 through #735 (577 used by the Business Office and voucher # 648 for $28,318.02 and #659 for $576.00 pulled by the Town Board for further review) with a grand amended total of $132,640.69 and to authorize the Supervisor to issue payments for same. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Workshop Items – Town Clean Up – The Town Board had a brief discussion regarding holding a town wide clean up.

There was also a discussion regarding an electronic recycling event. The Supervisor’s Office will be looking into this and trying to coordinate with the town clean up.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. TeWinkle, to advertise and post for bids for a spring clean up to be held Friday, May 18th and Saturday, May 19th at the Highway Department. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED
Executive Session – A motion was made by Mr. Leszyk, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, to move into an executive session at 9:23 p.m. on a personnel matter for a specific person leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion or suspension. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Reconvene – 9:39 p.m.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Leszyk, to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. 5 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Debra DeMinck
Ontario Town Clerk

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