



# Knox Town Board Minutes

*October 9, 2018*

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The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag as well as a moment of silence for the victims of the Schoharie limousine crash.

Present on this date:

- Supervisor Lefkaditis
- Councilman Barber
- Councilman Barcomb
- Councilman Pritchard
- Councilman Saddlemire
- Superintendent of Highways Gary Salisbury
- Town Attorney Javid Afzali
- Town Clerk Traci Schanz

The meeting began with liaison reports. Supervisor Lefkaditis attended the Planning Board meeting. The Board continues to work on home occupations as well as a suggestion list of excused absences for missed meetings. There were no other liaison reports.

Supervisor Lefkaditis reminded everyone of the Grand Opening of the new Playground on 10/13/2018 as well as the Volunteer appreciation dinner on 10/20/2018.

**RESOLUTION 171-2018** – A motion was made by Supervisor Lefkaditis and seconded by Councilman Barcomb to approve the minutes from the meeting on 9/12/2018 as well as the minutes from the special meeting on 9/26/2018. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to approve the minutes from the meeting held on 9/12/2018 and 9/26/2018.

Superintendent of Highways Salisbury reports that he is working on his budget for 2019. He is also preparing for the winter season that is soon to be upon us.

There was a discussion held regarding the SOPs for the Transfer Station. Minor changes were made regarding the language about pushing with a backhoe. Conversations were held regarding a plastic crusher vs. a shredder, a wash station for public use, safety equipment and AED purchase as well as \$100 yearly credit for steel toe boots. Superintendent Salisbury will be checking into a new person/place for recycling batteries.

**RESOLUTION 172-2018** – A motion was made by Councilman Barber, seconded by Councilman Pritchard, to approve the Transfer Station SOPs as presented, effective immediately. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to approve the Transfer Station SOPs as presented, effective immediately.

A brief discussion was held regarding the MRD and setting up workshops to complete the paperwork required.

Supervisor Lefkaditis discussed the shared bus agreement between the Towns of Knox and Berne, explain it needs to be re-signed.

**RESOLUTION 173-2018** – A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Councilman Pritchard to reaffirm and approve the Berne Shared Bus Agreement as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to reaffirm and approve the Berne Shared Bus Agreement as presented.

Discussions were held regarding the previous requests for reduction in speed limits on Pleasant Valley Road and Old Stage Road. No reduction was granted for Pleasant Valley, but a reduction was granted for Old Stage Road. Appeals will be made for the reduction request on Pleasant Valley Road. Superintendent Salisbury will order new speed limit signs for Old Stage Road.

The Borrego PILOT program was discussed. Attorney Afzali is waiting for another attorney within his firm to go over it and it forward all information to the Board when complete. This will be a future agenda item.

Blight fees were discussed, and a fee schedule was set.

**RESOLUTION 174-2018** – A motion was made by Supervisor Lefkaditis, seconded by Councilman Barber to set Blight fees at \$300.00 for the first year, increasing \$150.00 each year after that per Local Law 2. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to set Blight fees at \$300.00 for the first year, increasing \$150.00 each year after that per Local Law 2.

A Budget workshop was scheduled for 10/17/2018 @ 7:00 pm.

**RESOLUTION 175-2018** – A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis to approve the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. This motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to approve the Hazardous Mitigation Plan.

Councilman Saddlemire and Councilman Barber will be holding interviews with those who applied for the DCO position.

A position will be posted for a 30 hour/week position for a part time maintenance position.

**RESOLUTION 176-2018** - A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis to authorize payment of \$84,141.87 to Key Bank for the Building Bond and was unanimously approved.

**RESOLVED**: to authorize payment of \$84,141.87 to Key Bank for the Building Bond and was unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION 177-2018** - A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Councilman Barber to accept the Supervisor and Clerk reports as presented. This motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**: to accept the Supervisor and Clerk reports as presented.

**RESOLUTION 178-2018** - A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Councilman Pritchard to authorize the Supervisor to pay the bills and was unanimously approved.

**RESOLVED**: to authorize the Supervisor to pay the bills.

#### **Public Comment**

Joan Adriance asked a question regarding the status of the building use policy. This item will be placed on a future agenda. She also stated her concerns regarding commercial dumping and people riding in the back of town vehicles.

Amy Porkorny asked for an update on the Clean Energy Grant. Councilman Saddlemire stated it is in the hands of the engineer and the Benchmarks have been updated for this year.

**RESOLUTION 179-2018** - A motion was made by Councilman Barcomb, seconded by Supervisor Lefkaditis to adjourn this meeting. This motion was unanimously approved.

**RESOLVED**: to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Schanz  
Knox Town Clerk  
October 28, 2018