

Regular Town Board Meeting
February 17th, 2025

The regular meeting of the Prattsburgh Town Board was called to order on February 17th, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. at the Prattsburgh Town Hall, Prattsburgh, NY. Supervisor Wordingham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Albert Wordingham Supervisor
Angela Einwachter Councilmember
Elizabeth Peck Councilmember
Pete Scheid Councilmember
Kim Sobolewski Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING- (FRANCHISE)

A motion was made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Peck and duly carried, the hearing was open at 6:05 P.M. On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Scheid and with all board members in favor and with all persons desiring to be heard having been heard, the hearing was closed at 6:10 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the following was approved:

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

STATE OF NEW YORK
Town of Prattsburgh
County of Steuben

In the Matter of the Granting of a Cable Television Franchise Held by Spectrum Northeast, LLC in the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben, New York

RESOLUTION # 2

An application has been duly made to the Board of the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben, New York, by Spectrum Northeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter"), a limited liability company organized and existing in good standing under the laws of State of Delaware doing business at 6005 Fair Lakes Rd, East Syracuse, NY 13057, for the approval of a renewal agreement for Charter's cable television franchise for fifteen (15) years commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission.

The franchise renewal agreement would bring the franchise into conformity with certain provisions of the Federal Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, as amended, and certain court rulings.

A public hearing was held in the Town of Prattsburgh, New York on February 17, 2025 at 6 P.M. and notice of the hearing was published in the Corning Leader on February 7, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of the Town of Prattsburgh finds that:

1. Spectrum Northeast, LLC has substantially complied with the material terms and conditions of its existing franchise and with applicable law; and
2. Spectrum Northeast, LLC has the financial, legal and technical ability to provide these services, facilities and equipment as set forth in its proposal attached; and
3. Spectrum Northeast, LLC can reasonably meet the future cable-related community needs and interests, taking into account the cost of meeting such needs and interests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of the Town of Prattsburgh hereby grants the cable television franchise of Spectrum Northeast, LLC and the Town of Prattsburgh for fifteen (15) years commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission and expiring fifteen (15) years hence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of the Town of Prattsburgh hereby confirms acceptance of this franchise renewal agreement.

The foregoing having received an AYE vote was thereby declared adopted.

Dated: February 17, 2025

Town of Prattsburgh Clerk

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, the January 20th, 2025, Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, the February 2025 financial report was accepted as presented by Supervisor Wordingham.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

AUDIT OF BILLS

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, the board approved payment of the following bills on ABSTRACT #2 to be paid as presented. The total amount to be paid on ABSTRACT #2 is \$.
(Voucher#43-)

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Scheid- Abstained
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

HIGHWAY

Did not attend Meeting.

WATER

I built new shelves for more storage at the shop
I turned off one customer's service
Fred and I thawed out our Backwash pipe that had frozen twice
I used the snow blower at the pump house for a chlorine delivery
Fred and I worked on a faulty valve at the pump house
I completed and submitted our 2024 DEC Water Withdrawal Report
I sent in our January water report to the DOH
I looked at the Fire Hall and trailer park water meters to be replaced
I took our February Coli/Ecoli water sample to the Savona lab
I had training in Hornell
I started working on our emergency response plan

UDIG

Tickets – 8

Mark outs – 1

Emergency – 0

Design - 0

CODE

Permits apps - 4

Appearance Tickets-0

Renewals- 0

Building inspections- 5

Fire safety/property maintenance inspections- 0

Septic Inspections – 0

C of O/C of C –3

Compliance inspections -3

Compliance orders – 3

Phone Calls – 34

Emails-126

Incidents – 0

Plan/Permit app. Reviews. Paperwork, Worked on code files, Multiple emails with Mr. Costanza regarding main street plan review, Census report, Worked on 1203 annual report. 02/05/25 Al and I had a 2nd meeting with Bob Dankosh regarding his code violations, 02/07/25 Al, Angela and I had a meeting with Mr. Costanza (I was only present for half of the meeting) followed by Mr. Costanza coming back to my office 15 minutes after leaving with Angela and Katherine present stating he is going to change code path and submit for my review on 12 thru 16 this would require another complete review (without arguments) would be 40 to 60 hours of the code departments time.

SUPERVISOR

1/14/25 John Perry and I had our weekly meeting with F.E.M.A. to complete the initial review of the roads that were damaged by Tropical Storm Deb. We have completed the first phase of the reimbursement process which consists of documenting every road, culvert, pipe and G.P.S. coordinates.

1/14/25 Angela Einwachter, Matt Bull (I.D.A.), and I had an introductory zoom meeting with Carly Creed-Herman to discuss the next steps and a strategy for the E.S.D. Grant that we were awarded a couple of weeks ago. After a discussion with Jamie Johnson (I.D.A.) my understanding is that Prattsburgh will be assigned a grant director from the state.

1/15/24 I met with Judy Hall (Cohocton Supervisor) and two people representing Delaware Solar. They presented a business plan to build an eight-megawatt project on the border of Prattsburgh and Cohocton. Both parcels are approximately 54 acres. Judy and I requested prints and a projected timeline.

1/17/25 Jamie Johnson contacted me regarding the Terra-Gen Project. The I.D.A. has received the application for the PILOT. The I.D.A. will review and probably pass a resolution and set a public hearing at their meeting on the 23rd. After those steps are taken it will be 5-6 months for a final decision.

1/21/24 John and I had our weekly meeting with F.E.M.A. Along with filling out more documents we discussed grouping the damaged roads into groups and getting reimbursement for that particular group of roads when they are completed. I explained to F.E.M.A. that a number of reimbursements through completion of the repairs is the only way Prattsburgh can afford to do the repairs and mitigate for the future.

1/23/24 Dwight Kanyuck (Knauf-Shaw) our attorney handling the Terra-Gen Project gave me a call to inform me that he has received an updated Host Community Agreement (HCA) from Terra-Gen's lawyers. The board will review and then schedule Dwight to meet with us to answer questions and concerns.

1/28/25 John Perry and I had our weekly meeting with F.E.M.A. to start arranging the damaged roads into groups to hopefully be approved for reimbursement as we complete that group. After the repairs for the first group is reimbursed, we will have the money to finish the second group and so on.

2/4/25 John Perry and I along with the F.E.M.A. group continued the process of documenting the roads damaged by Tropical Storm "DEB" back in August. We now have the first seven damaged roads identified with a F.E.M.A. project

number. All the paperwork for these roads should be completed and submitted by 2/7/25. A check should follow in approximately six weeks.

2/6/25 I received the I.D.A. Pilot Assessment spread sheet for Prattsburgh regarding the Terra-Gen Project. The I.D.A. has having a cost analysis by an outside firm. Once the numbers are confirmed Jamie Johnson will attend our board meeting to explain. This will probably be scheduled for the March meeting.

2/7/25 Angela and I met with Chris Costanza to discuss his plans with the Main Street project. Chris informed us that he still hasn't received any quotes to replace the water lines in the building or the alarm system. Chris Costanza told us that he was going to update the prints complying with the New State ruling in the next couple of weeks. When the town receives the updated drawings, Chris Whipple will review.

2/11/25 John and I had our weekly meeting with the F.E.M.A. group. The goal was to arrange groups of roads that need repair and or mitigation then assign a project number for that group to be approved by F.E.M.A. So far, we have three project numbers that include eleven roads.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, and duly carried, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye

Councilmember Peck-Aye

Councilmember Scheid-Aye

Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk