

Supervisor's Report December 13, 2017

Correspondence of Note:

- Annual Association of Town's meeting February 18-21.
- Notice from Haeefele TV of basic cable cost increase of \$3.50/month effective 1/1/18.
- Letter of appreciation for records provided by the Clerk's Office from UC Davis group conducting NSF-funded study of local government policymaking on hydraulic fracturing.
- NY Planning Federation Annual Conference 22-24 April, Lake George.

Supervisor's Notes:

- Attended Cornell Cooperative Extension Local Food Breakfast and Annual Meeting on Dec 5. Dr. David Sloan Wilson was keynote speaker with message that cooperation for a better society is good for all. Suggestion by Dpty. Post-meeting suggestions by Supervisor Barber to engage with JYC/RP reps to consider enhancement of workforce training opportunities for youth.
- Attended TCCOG Training Academy meeting chaired by Martha Hubbard from TC3 Biz on Dec 5. As one shared-services initiative developed from our County Shared Services Plan, we are developing useful trainings for municipalities to improve access and lower costs. Key takeaways were "Soft Skills," CPR, Excel training (pivot tables). Next meeting in January.
- Spoke with Jeremy Boylan from Bailey Place about potential for savings from pooling with fire companies to reduce costs. They are in a different risk pool, so pooling wouldn't offer any savings for the town. Also asked for clarification about the insurance certificate to ICSD for Caroline Sports. This simply documents that we are covered for liability risk on town property.
- Attended EV Charging Station Stakeholders Meeting on November 30 at TCPL. Takeways: most charging is done at home through a regular outlet, which is better for e-management on grid. Initiative is establishing Level 2 chargers for short-term parking and Level 3 (DC) chargers for long-distance routes (I-90). Rochester is leading for NYS through Rochester EV Accelerator. Tompkins County is second EV Accelerator initiative in NYS. Concept is to make New York a leader to help the transition to EVs regionally and nationally. Benefits: electrification enables renewable power, diverse energy sources promotes energy security, public health benefits, low maintenance costs, EVs now affordable (especially with Fed and State incentives), excellent road performance. Draft plan pending by end of January. Will build a page at town website on EVs and our charging station.

TC Transportation Council Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Plan: <http://tompkins-countyny.gov/itctc/projects#EV>

- Town Hall EV Charging Station: John Reed assisted in selecting a cell-signal booster for town hall needed for communication between our new charging station and ChargePoint. This should enhance Verizon coverage within the town hall. In progress.
- Energy Independent Caroline: Clean Energy Communities grant proposal - deadline extended to February 6. We met with CCE to discuss collaboration, especially Energy Navigators. EIC now has draft concept: work with Cornell students to develop a energy-steps survey next spring in preparation for a "Take back the Light" blitz next fall - door-to-door to distribute survey, LED bulb, Buying Local Coupon Book, engage with homeowner. Survey completion and energy audit verification qualifies for incentive grant for homeowner for qualified product.
- Watershed Committee: NYSDEC permit received for Buffalo Road Stream Stabilization II. Forwarded to DHSES. Will bid project in January-February.