

TOWN OF CONCORD TOWN BOARD MEETING      October 10, 2024  
7:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PHILIP DROZD, SUPERVISOR,  
at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:      PHILIP DROZD, SUPERVISOR  
                    CLYDE M. DRAKE, COUNCIL MEMBER  
                    KENNETH D. ZITTEL, COUNCIL MEMBER  
                    KIMBERLY S. KRZEMIEN, COUNCIL MEMBER  
                    KENNETH KASSEL, COUNCIL MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT:    DARLENE G. SCHWEIKERT, Town Clerk  
                          BARRY A. EDWARDS, Hwy Supt  
                          BRIAN F. ATTEA, Town Atty

SHAWN CRAMER	WILLIAM GOSS
KAREN GEELAN	NICHOLE RUF, Drescher & Malecki
MARY BRUMMER	COREY SVEINSSON-SKOBEL, Drescher
GARY KOEPPPEL	MARY CAROL DEARING
CHARLES FELDMAN	BILL KREBS
ERIC WILLIAMS, Springville Journal	JAN A. INGERSON
CINDY JAEGER	ROBERTO PETRILLO
MARTIN HOFFMAN	WARREN LUX
DEBBIE FRANK	SUE BOYLE
SETH LUCE	VINCENT ROBERTS
RON SWARTZ	BRAD MOHAWK, ECSO
SHANE MILLER, ECSO	

INVOCATION DELIVERED BY TOWN CLERK SCHWEIKERT

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG LED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KASSEL

ITEM #1      CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of Minutes:
- (1) Work Session – 9/12/2024
  - (2) Town Board Meeting – 9/12/2024
  - (3) Special Town Board Meeting – Budget– 10/3/2024
  - (4) Bid Opening – CDBG – 10/7/2024

Motion by Council Member Drake, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to approve Consent Agenda, Items 1-4. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

- b) Monthly Reports:
- (1) Code Enforcement Report – September 2024
  - (2) Dog Control Officer Report – September 2024
  - (3) Town Clerk Report – September 2024
  - (4) Judge Gibbin – August 2024
  - (5) Supervisor's Report – August 2024 (Not Available)
  - (6) Assessor's Report – September 2024
  - (7) Senior Director Report – September 2024

Supervisor Drozd advised that (5) Supervisor's Report – August 2024 is not yet available and should be scratched. Motion by Council Member Zittel, seconded by Council Member Krzemien, to approve Consent Agenda, Items 1-4 and 6-7. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

ITEM #2      RESIDENT CONCERNS

Supervisor Drozd opened the floor for Public Comment:

a) Community Engagement Team – Once the Deputies arrive, this matter will be discussed. See this discussion at other points during Resident Concerns.

b) Vincent Roberts addressed the Board. Mr. Roberts had spoken to Supervisor Drozd on the phone and was asked to attend the meeting. They were able to secure a grant from the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame and purchased new bases for Community Park. The bases were installed on Monday; everything went great. There are brand new bases for the kids; not all cracked and broken. They're white so you can see them. Mr. Roberts had taken pictures of the guys doing some of the work and the new bases and showed pictures to the Board. Supervisor Drozd said he had talked with Mr. Roberts back in the Spring, and on Mr. Roberts advice, the Town did not purchase new bases for Community Park because the grant funding seemed pretty solid; he thanked Mr. Vincent for his efforts. Mr. Roberts noted that it was not a lot of money but enough to get some bases. Two fields were done: C1 and C2. He mentioned that they would like to continue to see more improvements at Community Park; the Pavilion looks great, the shelters look amazing so anything more to help it be better and people use it more. The company that did the fencing for the school for the new turf, Seth Luce, who is also here tonight, works for that company and they have a bunch of materials that they were willing to donate. Because they are there all the time, they had noticed places on the fields that could possibly use improvements and he had more pictures to show the Board; one picture was of the fence which from over the years from getting baseball hit into them, they're pretty bent up and then in front of the dugouts, at the top of the fence in front of the dugouts, the fence is just twisted; not turned over. He explained it was the field facing side which is the playing area so to them as coaches and parents, it is a little bit of a safety issue because the top of those twists are actually sharp metal. If there is a foul ball and a kid reaches up to catch it, there is definitely a possibility of someone getting cut or hurt badly. From what he understands, it is not a hard fix; they can get the materials to fix it donated. He doesn't know how that would work but between the parts of the fence, small sections, he doesn't know the process but they have the company that is willing to do it. Supervisor Drozd said that the Hwy Supt doubles as the Parks Superintendent so if Mr. Roberts could coordinate this through him; what you want to do up there and when. Are you looking for this year? Mr. Luce said that Spring would be easier. Mr. Roberts said that the company is looking to either donate or auction off; Supervisor Drozd noted that the Town likes donate better. Mr. Roberts continued that they would like to get control of material that they would need and then however that would happen, they could do that but at the same time they just wanted to make sure that they would not be sitting here with a bunch of fencing materials that they can't use if this doesn't work out either. Supervisor Drozd asked the Board what they thought and also to put it in a motion to accept the bases as a donation to the Town. Mr. Roberts noted that that was something he wanted to talk about; they're bases. They are on the baseball fields. The other day when they were installing them, Park laborer Schweikert was picking up and closing the Park down for the year but they do still have a couple teams that are playing in some Fall leagues and they are still playing baseball. Park laborer Schweiker took all the old ones and put them in the shed like he always does but they put the new ones in the SYI shed so they could still be used for the games still to be played. He does not know how that needs to work either. Supervisor Drozd asked when those games are scheduled? Mr. Luce said that they are just practice. Supervisor Drozd noted that the Town could classify it just as people coming up to the Park using the Park. Mr. Roberts doesn't know if there needs to be anything official between SYI and the Town as to who is putting the bases away at the end of the year or not. Supervisor Drozd deferred this to Hwy Supt Edwards who is technically in charge of the Park. Hwy Supt Edwards advised that Park laborer Schweikert knows more as far as where bases should go but they should not be out all Winter. Town Clerk Schweikert said that as far as the Town goes, these are not on the baseball schedule. The season is over with as far as the SYI schedule. Mr. Roberts said that he is not attacking the employee, all he is saying is that they are still playing some games and Park laborer Schweikert is doing his duty. They said that they would put the new ones in the SYI shed because they still want to use them a couple more times and Park laborer Schweikert agreed to that. Mr. Roberts said there was discussion before about donating the bases, however that needed to happen with the Town. This is not an attack on Park laborer Schweikert, he has been great. He's in some

of the pictures; he helped them do the bases. From the SYI standpoint and from the Town, there may be some sort of technicality that needs to happen as far as ownership of these bases. Supervisor Drozd asked where the funding came from for the bases; Mr. Roberts said The Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame. Supervisor Drozd thinks the Board should make a motion to accept The Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame grant donation of new bases for Community Park. Motion by Council Member Zittel, seconded by Council Member Krzemien, to accept The Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame grant donation of new bases for Community Park. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried. The baseball bases have now been accepted by the Town. Supervisor Drozd asked them if they were just going to be citizens up there using the Park for the remaining Fall league. Supervisor Drozd asked if the Board wanted to make a motion to accept any donation from Woodsmith Fence Corp. for any surplus materials they have as needed at Community Park. Mr. Luce advised that if the Town needs a line itemized list of how these materials would cost, that would be available as well. Woodsmith Fence Corp would need this for their tax records for the donation. Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member Krzemien, to accept any surplus equipment from Woodsmith Fence Corp. as a donation to the Town of Concord for use at Community Park as needed. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried. The Board thanked Mr. Roberts and Mr. Roberts. This will save the Town some money. Once documents have been received, Supervisor Drozd will get the information to our insurance carrier to let him know that there are new bases.

c) Mary Carol Dearing addressed the Board regarding the Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail (ECRT). This is on the Agenda under Old Business but she is here to support the ECRT. She is the friend's leader of the Concord group of the ECRT. There are about 150-175 members across the Concord area and she also part of the Grow with Springville group which has about 200 supporters in this area. Both of those groups are very much in support of the Cascade Bridge evaluation that is being proposed as well as the trail design and she knows that later tonight the Board will be asked to vote on the Resolution and she is urging the Board on behalf of all the members in the community to vote yes. She knows that the ECRT was asked a couple of months ago to go back and get some information that they will be presenting to the Board tonight. It is her understanding that they have done their due diligence and have achieved what the Town asked and she hopes that for the benefit of all of us in the community, that we can move forward with this. She thanked the Board.

d) Karen Geelan addressed the Board. She is on the SYI Board. She noted that SYI applied for that grant along with them (Mr. Roberts' group) and at a recent SYI meeting, SYI accepted those bases. She is just bringing it up as a point of information.

e) Sue Boyle addressed the Board. She was invited by Mary Carol Dearing to come out to support ECRT. From her perspective, a lot of the work that she does involves trying to get some positive youth involvement, some social equity issues. She sees the use of the ECRT as benefitting particularly the youth in this area as they can have safe passage from wherever they are down to the village, to the school. They had some summer employment available for youth, and some kids couldn't take advantage because their parents couldn't get them here safely. She sees the ECRT as a great option for this area; every meeting she goes to in WNY, whether it's out here, rural, or in the city, transportation is always a major issue they try to address and this is a great, free-ish option for people who don't have access to other transportation. Ms. Boyle thanked the Board.

f) Bill Krebs addressed the Board. Mr. Krebs congratulated the Board for doing its due diligence to consider supporting projects that move the ECRT along. Mr. Krebs continued by saying as the Board knows, from the bottom of his heart, over many, it does not surprise him that he hears that the Springville Country Club is supporting this and has written a letter in support because he believes that the Orchard Park Country Club has supported the ECRT, the Sportsmen Club in West Falls has supported it, Field & Stream supports it, the Snowmobile Club supports it. What all these groups have in common with the ECRT is that they advocate outdoor recreation and that

makes a community a better place to live. Mr. Krebs received an email from Mary Carol Dearing indicating that there is a grant from NYS to improve the trail from the bridge on up to the Village line, contiguous to the golf course. Last time he was down there, that really needs improvement. There was a washout near the golf course; drains a pond and some flooding by the golf course and that will continue to happen. There is a section beyond that is all overgrown. One of the ideas of rail banking is to preserve a right of way and it has been over ten years since that area has been touched. If there is money available to preserve the right of way and make it available for multi-use recreation, then he thinks the Town should do it to get the money. Just like SYI got grant money for Community Park. Mr. Krebs that ECRT continues to improve the surface of the ECRT; it would be great for the Town of Concord.

a) Deputy Brad Mohawk noted that Deputy Miller has been delayed in the Town of Colden but he will discuss the Community Engagement Team without Deputy Miller in attendance. Deputy Mohawk introduced himself to those in attendance. He and Deputy Shane Miller are part of the newly-formed, first of its kind, Community Engagement Team. They are no longer assigned to road patrols tied to radios. The Team consists of four Deputies and a Sergeant. The Team got underway two weeks ago and they are visiting the Towns to introduce themselves to the Board and will set something up with the Town to be here for the Community; like a quality of life kind of policing. They will be here for Town events, school events; he and Deputy Miller are assigned to this Town and this Village. He also works for the Village Police. They have a plethora of certifications to help out. They will be around for events, holiday events, community events, school events; just as extra policing. They will be here as a mainstay at Board Meetings for the Resident Concerns portion. Sometimes concerns go to the Board; they might or might not be 9-1-1 situations but it could be a nuisance situation so they will be here for those times when you call about, for example, a persistent speeder on your street, not stopping at stop sign. Those situations where you may not want to bother the police but it is not really a Town issue. They will be here to listen to your concerns; they will be very reachable. Hopefully there will be a tipline in place shortly. Their information will be plastered all over the place so that the community and the Board can reach them. Every Town is different in how they would like to use the Team Deputies; Deputy Miller will work with the Town on how the Deputies can help in Concord. They have a drug dog, therapy dog, bomb dog. Deputy Mohawk noted that any police calls for their agency will be reported back to the Town and they will also report on any follow up on community concerns. Deputy Mohawk said that Deputy Miller will be here later and will introduce himself at that time. Deputy Mohawk thanked the Board; and asked if there were any questions. Council Member Kassel asked about the homeless people and drug dealers? Deputy Mohawk noted that that has been the hot topic; they can bring in other people to talk about it but it has been a main focus and they are working on it and will have numbers to show the Town that they are working on it. This line of communication with the community has opened up so much for the Team already. In Gowanda, just the last month, there were 11 warrant or drug arrests in the last month because of the community complaints and tips. Gowanda has started a Community Watch program and they have Block parties. There is a great line of communication with the citizens. Council Member Kassel noted that this is a big problem here. Deputy Mohawk said that it is not just here. This also gives them the opportunity to see how Grand Island is handling things vs. Clarence vs. Cheektowaga, any district they cover. Council Member Kassel said he has had three elderly residents call him saying they were afraid to walk on the sidewalks: Main Street, Mill Street. They live in the woods by their homes. They are now getting ornery because they want food and money. Deputy Mohawk said he has worked in the area for eight years now and is well aware of the common players and how things are being done. That is one of the big issues they will tackle but at the same time they need the community's ears and eyes. Council Member Krzemien noted that that is also one of the problems with the ECRT. She used to walk the trail but won't go down there anymore. Council Member Kassel said that they are dealing drugs on the ECRT to the north; he has chased them away numerous times. The residents on the ECRT to the north don't want the trail; people are taking things out of their sheds; they're afraid to go in their own yards. Deputy Mohawk noted that the Village has a part-time police department, the Sheriff's Office and then the NYS Police who are not really around this area because they are stationed in Boston but the Community Engagement Team is here and they have the freedom to go take complaints from residents and follow it through.

They are assigned to this area to work on those problems. The Team will be providing the Town with all their contact information. They have an office downtown Buffalo but they are basically working out of their car with their cell phone. They just go where they are needed; there is a lot of freedom. Right now, the Team is at the introductory stage to show the Town who they are and they will go from there. Supervisor Drozd noted that two weeks ago when this Team was rolled out, the first day the Team met with the Town Supervisors; he thought right away that our community is ahead of the pack on this because both Deputy Mohawk and Deputy Miller have worked here. There are four Deputies out there and a Sargeant and two of the Deputies are very familiar with Concord/Springville. They know some of the players down here; we are very fortunate to have these two Deputies here. Supervisor Drozd noted that this program has been long overdue. People have wanted this for quite some time. Gary Koepfel, ECRT representative, advised that on the ECRT website, there is a report an issue tab where you can fill in the date, time and what happens. ECRT will respond to the issue; he noted that they do not get a lot of people who do this; usually end up calling the Sheriff if there is a 4-wheeler on the trail; they have been very cooperative. Mary Brummer advised that they have a close relationship with the Sheriff's Department and have been working with them on safety and security. Mr. Koepfel noted that the ECRT has a lot of cameras which help them get license plate numbers. Deputy Mohawk noted that the Team has a rolling log as far as residents who have ring doorbell cameras or surveillance cameras on their business or trail cameras to help the Team narrow incidents down so that if there is an issue on the street, they might be able to piece things together to identify a person. Those in attendance thought this was a great idea. Supervisor Drozd advised that if Deputy Miller shows up, the Board will break and let him address those in attendance. Deputy Mohawk noted that they will be in attendance through the public portion of the meeting.

g) Charles Feldman addressed the Board. He has lived in Springville all of his life and is part of the Foot Hills and Finger Lakes Trail and they hope to use this ECRT to go from Cattaraugus through Springville, up north through Erie County to Niagara County where their trail is. They want to take the trail off the road and use the rail trail. He believes we should not let a few homeless people dealing drugs interfere with the building of the rail trail. ECRT has been working on this for year and years and has received all these donations and they sacrifice everything for this project. He believes that once this is built, it will be beautiful. The Town will love it; the whole area will love it. It would be a shame if these homeless people, drug dealing people, wreck it. There are trail cameras. There is no need to be afraid. He uses the trail all the time; he has walked with some of these guys; not that he is a drug dealer or homeless but he has seen them. We love the rail trail for walking, cycling, hiking, all kinds of activities that the community needs to keep people away from drugs. They need something to do and this is a great alternative to that.

ITEM #3      HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

a) Hwy Supt Edwards asked the Board to receive and file his Highway Report.

Motion by Council Member Drake, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to receive and file the Highway Department Report. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

(1) Valley Fab & Equipment Payment \$98,650. – This is for the new box, dump, sander and plow. The truck is here and in service. Motion by Council Member Zittel, seconded by Council Member Kassel, to approve the payment to Valley Fab & Equipment in the amount of \$98,650. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

ITEM #4      OLD BUSINESS

a) KBCRWWTP Update- Supervisor Drozd discussed this earlier this evening during Work Session. The Town is still working on a solution with Ridgeview Townhouse Association on where the grinder pump will be located to get rid of the

grinder pump station that is down in the woods. There is still time this year to get this done. Jonathan Rogers from MDA Engineers has been assigned this project; the Town is hopeful that there can be a conclusion reached with the Homeowners' Association for the placement of the new grinder station. There has been a location identified in back of one of the last houses there on a flat that might work elevation-wise; that might work.

Supervisor Drozd advised that everything is going good at the new pump station; he's been in contact with Ben Slotman and Josh Latham. Hwy Supt Edwards put the generator on the surplus auction list and Supervisor Drozd will reach out to Caleb Henning, MDA Engineers, to make sure if that generator will power that; Hwy Supt Edwards and Supervisor Drozd do not think it will. Mr. Henning will dig into this more. Supervisor Drozd will follow up on this matter.

b) Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail Resolution – Supervisor Drozd

Supervisor Drozd moved the adoption of the Resolution, seconded by Council Member Zittel:

RESOLUTION  
CASCADE BRIDGE PLANNING AND TRAIL DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail, Inc. (ECRT) applied to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993, and was awarded such grant, for a park project to be located partially within the Town of Concord, a site located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Board; and

WHEREAS, as a requirement under the rules of this program, said not-for-profit corporation must obtain the "approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Concord, New York, does hereby approve and endorse the ECRT park project funded under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 known as "Cascade Bridge Planning and Trail Development" and located in part in this community.

Council Member Kassel asked this would go from Waverly Street south. Mary Brummer advised that it does not quite go to Waverly Street. It would go from the Cascade Bridge terminus up to right around Root 39 Salon. Council Member Zittel questioned that the Springville Country Club Board gave a temporary confirmation and the Board is currently reviewing a formal letter. It sounds like there might be some issues there. He would like to see the issues brought up first. Supervisor Drozd is not aware of these issues. Council Member Zittel read the email: "The letter is in the form of the first draft provided by Gary that agrees to work cooperatively and highlights some of our recommendations for the trail development regarding safety of the general public and security to our property." Council Member Zittel said that he would like to see it all written down and that the Country Club says okay. Ms. Brummer advised that they have been working with the Country Club on a draft letter since February and then the Board of the Country Club was very busy with a number of other projects so they could not finalize their program. When they met again in August, she told the Country Club that we needed to get this Resolution forward and what we needed from them was a statement that we would continue to cooperate and figure out, in time, what it is that the ECRT can do to work together to satisfy what the Country Club needed and they said they hadn't completely figured that out themselves yet so they wanted to pledge that they would continue to work together and that is what she had thought that the Town Board was requiring. This is since their August meeting, and the Country Club still has not come up with a final draft. It is a long process and the ECRT did not want to hold up the forward progress of the program waiting on that; we know that we will continue to work together and they pledged to do so. Supervisor Drozd said that he was only able to talk to one Board member from the Country Club; there are about 10 or 12 of them. Ms. Brummer

said that the County Club took a Board vote that they would continue to cooperate with the ECRT on the project; they wanted ECRT to keep the funding from the State. Town Attorney Attea stated that he knows that Ms. Brummer did go meet with the Country Club board at a recent monthly meeting but he was not sure of the outcome of that meeting. Ms. Brummer said it was the August meeting and after that they sent the email out saying that they were going to vote to decide if they would support this project. At the September meeting, they did that vote. She supplied the email chain to the Town Board. Council Member Zittel thinks it is a great project but he just doesn't want to see the ECRT backing out of something with the Country Club if the Town Board does approve this. Right now, the Country Club has a little bit of leverage over the ECRT. Ms. Brummer wanted to clarify that all along the trail; she spoke with Mark Schichtel of Schichtel's Nursery as well and that is their same agreement; let the ECRT know what you need. Mr. Schichtel said he would like some signage; dangerous pond, no trespassing. The ECRT will continue work with the property owners; it just won't stop. Council Member Zittel said it's just open ended with the Country Club. Mr. Koeppl said that the ECRT does the same process with the Orchard Park Country Club. They meet regularly with the Orchard Park Country Club. The ECRT volunteered to plant trees and shrubs in one area and that Country Club said no, they were going to let that grow. The ECRT is also working very closely with the West Falls Conservation Society. They were adamantly opposed to the trail development and the ECRT has been working with them for six or seven years now. Their concern was with protection for the trap range. If the Springville Country Club needs something, if it is feasible and the ECRT can afford it, they will work something out. Ms. Brummer noted that they will continue the conversation; her concern was that she did not want to stop the project while we wait for details on that because this process is going on with every adjacent landowner along the trail.

Supervisor Drozd said that there was a motion and a second;

Voting as follows:

Council Member Drake	Nay
Council Member Kassel	Nay
Council Member Krzemien	Aye
Council Member Zittel	Nay
Supervisor Drozd	Aye

The foregoing resolution failed.

Supervisor Drozd advised the ECRT representatives that they have to go back and get a firm letter from the Springville Country Club. Supervisor Drozd noted that he had had contact from some West Falls residents who were adamantly opposed to this trail but all the differences have been worked out as well as the Town of Aurora Supervisor who was against this project at the beginning.

Ms. Dearing asked, if all due respect, for clarity of what the Town is looking for so that these two individuals (Ms. Brummer and Mr. Koeppl) who have come to the Town twice, can go back and get that. It is very unclear to her as a member of the public what the Town is asking for and she thinks that the Town is holding hostage the money that is potentially there for improvements and for the betterment of the trail and the community, it feels like the Town is stuck on very, very minor things. If the ECRT has to wait another month, hopefully that will not be too late. Ms. Brummer said that the ECRT is concerned; she has been told by her grant writer that if no progress is made, they could lose their funding. She also told Springville Country Club this same thing and that is why the Country Club sent that email because they wanted to preserve the funding. The thought of the Country Club is that this email would be adequate. What is adequate for this Board? Ms. Dearing asked for clarity on this for the ECRT. Gary Koeppl noted that the turnaround for the Springville Country Club takes a long time. One email, several emails, phone calls, don't get returned for months and it has been since February that the ECRT has been working on this. Council Member Zittel advised that the Country Club wants to know about the safety of the general property and the security of their property and until someone can actually answer that; what is ECRT

actually going to do to keep them off the Country Club property. The trouble is that this trail is at the end of the trail. If it wasn't at the end of the trail, it may not be so bad. Orchard Park Country Club is not at the end of the trail; it goes through. Once someone reaches the end of the trail, it is Country Club property. He can understand their concerns: people cutting across or whatever. He understands that there may be proposals but the Country Club has not said that they are good with this; he wants to hear something from the Springville Country Club that they are happy with this proposed project and go from there. Ms. Brummer advised that this action now is putting the grant at risk so the ECRT could be losing a quarter million dollars. Council Member Kassel said that the ECRT cannot put the cart in front of the horse. Gary Koeppel advised that what has been reported nationwide is that opened is much safer than a trail that is closed. There are people constantly on the trail; they are not there to cut across the golf course. They are there to ride there or walk there and come back. Ms. Brummer noted that this is part of the Southern trail that is an 85-mile loop. Eventually this ECRT would be one little piece of a regional trail. Council Member Zittel said eventually. Gary Koeppel noted that it is being built piece by piece. Ms. Brummer noted that there is potential that the ECRT will lose the funding. Ms. Dearing noted that our area has the opportunity to be at the forefront of something in WNY, in this town, on the trail and you as a Board are sitting here saying no which is really unphantomable to her. She thinks that this Town and its residents would be ashamed. Council Member Zittel wished that someone from the Country Club Board would have shown up tonight in support of the project. Mr. Krebs said that he has been talking about the rail trail for many years. When this conversation started in 2008 and 2009, some Supervisors in the Southtowns wondered (1) who would pay for it; (2) what would it look like. As we know, trails are built section by section and funded by grants mostly. As the rail trail Springville Pop Warner section was; they got a community grant and then the contract with the Village to help maintain it. There has never been a site plan for the whole trail; it's section by section. If someone from the Country Club would have said to the good people of ECRT that they were concerned about safety and discussions had been ongoing; there could have been discussion as to exactly how to keep the hikers on the rail trail. Mr. Krebs said years ago he was down there; there is no way that anyone would run down there. When he used to go there, they would wave to the people playing golf. The other side is nothing so it really is not that concerning. The Country Club might be concerned and he thinks they were in 2008 or 2009. They own property on the other side, the east side. They made it easy for their machines to pass. What about ditches to prevent trespassers from going out right at that point? That might be their main concern but he thinks that this stuff can be addressed when they actually get into talking. If the Town gets the agreement that the Country Club will continue to work together, that things work. In Springville it works. It did with Kiril's restaurant, there are encroachments. The ECRT, the village and Mr. Popovski and worked out an agreement. There are fences up and parking. Council Member Zittel noted that that actually helped their business; there was somewhere for them to go. Mr. Krebs does not think the Town is going to get a site plan that covers exactly what they are going to do until they start doing it. Like he said earlier, there is a drainage issue there too. If it isn't addressed, it will keep eroding down there and adversely affect some of the golf course property. This needs to be preserved, opened up. It has been over 10 years. Mr. Koeppel noted that when they did the Orchard Park Country Club section, they redid all the ditches back to where the railroad had them and improved the drainage in the area by Hole #3; they made some water improvements for them. Mr. Koeppel advised that they proposed a lot of different things already to the Country Club like cameras and signs, fence. A lot of things that would help them and they do not get a lot of response or feedback. Ms. Brummer noted that they are getting feedback as the President can give the ECRT. He said that they are working on this; that they are going to work together. Supervisor Drozd asked if the Country Club understood the ECRT timeline. Mrs. Bummer said she told them to give her an email of confirmation of cooperation in September so that the ECRT could get on this October agenda. This November will be the one-year anniversary that something has to be done for the grant; the November deadline will be one year since they have been asked to get all these Resolutions so now she thinks they are at risk. Mr. Koeppel asked if the Town specifically needs a letter from the Country Club that they support the project; something other than an email? Supervisor Drozd noted that the Board will need to vote on this so a signed letter of support would be needed. Council Member Zittel advised that that is what everyone else around that stretch, that is what they did and the ECRT provided to



the Town. That was one of the requirements. Supervisor Drozd said that if ECRT can get a signed letter of support from the Country Club, the Town could have a Special Town Board meeting. Mr. Koeppel noted that Root 39 has been an avid supporter on this project. Council Member Krzemien said that the Country Club noted that their temporary confirmation. The Town needs something final, in writing. Mrs. Brummer asked if the same thing that he wrote but on letterhead? Supervisor Drozd said a signed letter of support from the Country Club. Council Member Zittel said a written letter from the Country Club that they are working with the ECRT, that they are in total agreement and that they want this to go through; they are okay with this project. The Country Club email using temporary does not sound like they are 100% sure. Everyone else signed the letter. Council Member Drake noted that Felton has not yet signed. Council Member Zittel noted that that one is in the nursing home; Supervisor Drozd does not think the ECRT will be able to get the Felton letter. An unidentified male asked the ECRT people if they had funding for a fence. He walks the trail three or four times a week and is familiar with the it. His question is that if the ECRT wants to go to the end with the trail, there's a big crater at the end, but does the golf course have funding for a fence? The golf course doesn't want people walking on their golf course; you can just go around the crater to the golf course up and back down so he understands the Country Club's concern about people just walking on it, there's a nice blacktop path and if you have a stroller, it's really easy on the golf course to cut back down. The ECRT is talking about grant money; Would the ECRT have money for fencing and gates that would stop people; it may not have to be done continuously but there are spots where it is really easy to get on to the golf course. If the ECRT is trying to get the golf course to sign off on this, his question is, if ECRT would say to the Country Club that they have money for fencing for here, here and here, that might help the Country Club to agree to this. This would only work if the ECRT has funding for that. Mr. Koeppel noted that the ECRT has not really agreed with the Springville Country Club on exactly what they want; there would need to be a feasibility cost estimate; planning. That is what ECRT wants to do with the Country Club but they have not yet been able to do that. ECRT has proposed things in writing but they have not sat down with maps and drawings; but Mr. Koeppel said it was a good suggestion. The male continued that he understands the Country Club's concern. He thinks that fencing would help the ECRT case. If the ECRT were to have a budget, then they could say that X amount of dollars could install X amount of fence. It would probably be helpful on the Country Club's end because the ECRT could limit access here, here and here. This would help the golf course. Ms. Brummer noted that the Country Club has concerns about access to the other side of their property. The male said that there is an actual security type gate there so that kids on dirt bikes don't go around the gate, under the gate. He was a kid so he is aware of that. Mr. Koeppel noted that that part of the trail is open right now and there are people on there all the time and they can go anywhere they want now and there is no gate. The male said he gets that, and they can go right on the golf course, go 100 feet on the blacktop and drop back down and you're back on the path all the way to the bridge. He is familiar with it. He does like the ECRT but is curious because if the ECRT has grant money and you want to come up with a plan before the grant money expires, what can the ECRT use this grant money on? Fencing? Ms. Brummer noted that that was what they are asking but the Country Club has not been specific at this point; the Country Club has talked about their concerns of safety and security but they have not spelled out exactly what that is. Supervisor Drozd asked the ECRT to try to solidify that with the Country Club and get back to the Town. Martin Hoffman said that he was a little bit confused because it sounds like the Board has not given firm enough confirmation that that they are on board with the concept of the rail trail. Is that what the Board is looking for because you are not going to resolve every detail of the trail or where a fence goes immediately. Supervisor Drozd said that tonight the Board is just dealing with this; trying to get the ECRT their grant money. Mr. Hoffman asked if the Board was asking for the Country Club to give the ECRT a letter saying that they are in favor of the development of the trail and that they will work with the ECRT or asking them to work out the details? Supervisor Drozd said a letter on the situation at hand.

a) Deputy Shane Miller arrived. Supervisor Drozd invited Deputy Miller to share the facts and figures about the Community Engagement Team. Deputy Miller explained that he is covering the southeast portion of Erie County including Holland,

Sardinia, Springville, Concord, Boston and Colden. This has been his patrol district for seven years. He joined the Community Engagement Team and is trying to work as a liaison in the towns where they patrol; give back what we have and take back feedback from the town issues that residents are bringing about and may need to be addressed more. Not 9-1-1 calls but dealing with other types of calls during the day. Different towns, organizations; trying to be involved in more events in those towns whether it's private, public, offered by the town, Kiwanis; trying to build a rapport with the kids. Trying to make it a more personal relationship. What he is doing at each meeting is giving a general overview of some calls for service they had; the amount, the type and show other numbers of where they are at with other towns they are patrolling. For the Town of Concord, their Sheriff's Office handled 149 calls for service, separately they did 173 property checks, local parks, businesses that are closed at night and any residents that are requesting a property check while the resident is out of town. If a resident wants that, they can call their office anytime to arrange a property check or if there is a need for more police presence. There were 38 traffic stops; 3 arrests of which 2 were DUIs. There have also been several issues with the homeless. They have had several meetings on the homeless situation and sat down and reviewed laws for homeless situations and nipping it in the bud if they are committing petit larceny, stealing or open containers; if you see this going on in a public park, please call dispatch. They will make contact. The department has also trespassed two of them from businesses. They went to the local businesses and advised the business to keep track of this information with names, addresses; put it on paper and make a formal complaint so the Sheriff's Office can have a leg to stand on. The homeless situation has been a common complaint as well as speeding complaints and other similar complaints. He would like to address these issues. The resident can bring it to the Sheriff's Department or they can talk to him on the side on a meeting night. Deputy Miller said he is willing to do what his schedule can do. If it is something that is later in the evening or earlier in the day, all that he needs to do is call his Supervisor and explain the situation and if he can justify the reason to change his work schedule that day, the Supervisor will approve the change in his schedule so he can address the situation. Deputy Miller asked if there are any complaints at this time? He will go out in the hallway; is there anything from the Town? Supervisor Drozd told Deputy Miller that a couple Council Members brought up the homeless situation with Deputy Mohawk. That is probably the biggest complaint that the Town is getting here at Town Hall. Deputy Miller said this is up to the property owner to call when the homeless person is there. Are they calling the first day they are there? Then they can be removed. A resident described a situation in an apartment building where a homeless person was staying with a resident who then passed away and the homeless person remained. Deputy Miller noted that if there were no ties to the premises, the homeless person can be legally removed but if the person was a visitor that's different. If they were previously there, they can't be removed. Even when the resident died, if the person were hanging out there with the resident and maintained that right to be there, the homeless person can't physically be removed. Ms. Frank questioned how they can maintain the right to live there if they don't have the right to live there? Deputy Miller said that if they weren't pay rent but they don't have to in New York State. Once the tenant let the homeless person in and they weren't evicted, that person can reside there according to New York State law. It is a bad day to be a landlord. Ms. Frank asked if it was different when homeless are trespassing? Deputy Miller answered that if a homeless person is on private property trespassing and the Department gets a call that the homeless person is setting up camp in someone's backyard, yes, the person can be removed. But the property owner also has to be compliant with the Sheriff's Department; a signed formal complaint is needed to remove the person. Does a property need to be posted with No Trespassing signs? These matters end up in Court normally; if someone had trespassed before and there is a paper trail, that's better. There are posting laws for how many feet apart the signs should go up; and the corners of the property have to be posted. Deputy Miller noted that the laws and the rights are getting in the way of the Sheriff's Department just removing people. He wishes it were easier. Ms. Frank noted that it is started to get cold; Deputy Miller said that he had talked to some of the homeless people and told them it was going to get cold; two of them said they were moving along but there will be one or two that the Town won't get rid of. They have been here for a long. The Sheriff's Department has to keep on pestering them; last year they were able to get rid of two that were new to this area; they were arrested for stealing from Walmart, sent one to jail; catch and release and eventually left the area. The deputies are making contact with the

homeless people and hoping for some progress. Council Member Kassel asked about the cocaine dealers. Deputy Miller said they know who they are and a lot of them have been arrested over and over again. Their Narcotics Unit does come to Concord more often now. He knows who they are; they can make some traffic stops. Over the last 12 days, he thinks that there have been 9 narcotic arrests in the Concord/Collins, any town touching Concord, he thinks there were 9 arrests. Mostly from doing traffic stops. The problem is that out of the 9, two or three are still in jail; the rest were released. The department needs to keep on arresting them; not get frustrated, as they want for laws to be changing. Council Member Kassel asked if the Town could write something in their Town Code to address homelessness. Deputy Miller said that the department is discussing laws and will get information back to the Board; like tearing down their encampments but this needs to be further discussed at the Sheriff's Department. Council Member Kassel noted how the State of Florida is handling this homelessness situation; unless you own the property, you cannot be on the sidewalk, in the park, anywhere. Deputy Miller said probably not in New York State but this is being discussed by the Team; they will try to look into that. That is how we can make contact with the homeless, if they are breaking the law and they can be arrested. Make them ID themselves. Deputy Miller left a couple business cards with the Town. If anyone has any information on narcotics, anyone can reach out. He meets up with people all the time. That is how the Team will get their information. The Dispatch Number is (716) 858-2903. Supervisor Drozd noted to those in attendance to pass this information along that this Team is in our community; and that the Journal will put an article in their paper. Deputy Miller said that there has been nice progress so far; they are trying to set up some Neighborhood Watch programs. Ms. Dearing invited Deputy Miller to attend the Springville Coalition meeting in the morning at the Art's Cafe for a coffee hour at 10 a.m.; everyone is invited. Deputy Miller left the meeting and continued conversation with residents in the hallway.

ITEM #5    NEW BUSINESS

a) Audit of the Bills – Council Member Kassel audited the Bills this month.

Year 2024 Abstract 10:  
General Fund A, Abstract 10, \$51,395.92  
General Fund B, Abstract 10, \$591.67  
Library Fund, Abstract 10, \$47.87  
Fire Protection, Abstract 10, NONE  
Joint Van, Abstract 10, \$487.68  
Joint Youth, Abstract 10, \$NONE  
Craneridge Lighting, Abstract 10, NONE  
Craneridge Sewer, Abstract 10, \$3,463.50  
Highway DA, Abstract 10, NONE  
Highway DB, Abstract 10, \$269,583.90  
Kissing Bridge Water, Abstract 10, \$3,182.64  
Kissing Bridge Sewer, Abstract 10, NONE  
Trevett Rd. Water, Abstract 10, \$2,290.80  
Cattaraugus St. Water, Abstract 10, NONE  
Trust & Agency, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HA) C. Sewer, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HB) Land, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HD) Catt St, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HE) Sr. Ctr, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HF) Hwy Equip, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HG) Waste Study, Abstract 10, NONE  
Capital (HI) KB CR WWTP, Abstract 10, NONE

Council Member Drake advised that Voucher #896 Williamson Law Book Accounting Software in the amount of \$1,388 is not a charge for the Town Clerk's Office; this is the Bookkeeper's invoice and needs to be charged to the correct budget line before posting the bills. Motion by Council Member Kassel, seconded by Council

Member Krzemien, to approve the bills as corrected above. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

b) Community Development Block Grant – The Public Hearing was held earlier tonight.

Council Member Zittel moved the adoption of Resolution 26, seconded by Council Member Kassel:

WHEREAS, Town Clerk Schweikert had published the Notice of Public Hearing in the Springville Journal on September 19, 2024. Said Notice of Public Hearing was also posted on the Town of Concord Website and on the signboard at the Town Hall on September 16, 2024.

WHEREAS, that the Town Board of the Town of Concord held a public hearing on Thursday, October 10, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Concord, held on Thursday, October 10, 2024, the Town Board authorized Philip Drozd, Supervisor, to sign, submit and execute a contract with Erie County Community Development Block Grant (ECCDBG) program for the following project upon approval of the ECCDBG:

1. Concord Community Park Bathroom Restoration
2. Rural Transit Service Van Program.

Voting as follows:

Council Member Drake	Aye
Council Member Kassel	Aye
Council Member Krzemien	Aye
Council Member Zittel	Aye
Supervisor Drozd	Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

c) Local Law #5 of 2024; Override Tax Cap – The Public Hearing was held earlier tonight.

Council Member Drake moved the adoption of Resolution 27, seconded by Council Member Zittel:

Local Law No. 5 of the Year 2024  
Town of Concord, County of Erie

A local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Town of Concord to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of the General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government's governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Town Board of the Town of Concord, County of Erie, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Voting as follows:

Council Member Drake	Aye
Council Member Kassel	Aye
Council Member Krzemien	Aye
Council Member Zittel	Aye
Supervisor Drozd	Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

d) Set Public Hearing –Burke Special Use Permit – Motion by Council Member Drake, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to set the Public Hearing on the Burke Special Use Permit application for Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried. Town Clerk Schweikert will have the notice published in the Springville Journal and post on the signboard at the Town Hall and also the Town's website and send copies of the Notice to neighboring property owners within 500 feet. Council Member Kassel advised that he will be absent for the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

e) Set Public Hearing –2025 Budget – Motion by Council Member Krzemien, seconded by Council Member Drake, to set the Public Hearing on the Preliminary 2025 Budget for Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried. Town Clerk Schweikert will have the notice published in the Springville Journal and post on the signboard at the Town Hall and also the Town's website.

f) Trading Post Christmas Toy Drive-Use of Senior Center – Supervisor Drozd advised that the Trading Post has used the Senior Center in the past for their Christmas Toy Drive with no issues. The date is Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Senior Director Hunt will coordinate the opening and closing the building that day. Motion by Council Member Drake, seconded by Supervisor Drozd, to approve the Trading Post Christmas Toy Drive Use of the Senior Center on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

g) Award Senior Center Improvement CDBG Bid – Supervisor Drozd stated that this will be tabled tonight as discussed in Work Session. Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to table the awarding of the Senior Center Improvement CDBG Bid. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

h) Senior Center New Hire – Supervisor Drozd noted that the Town had been looking for quite some time now for another person for the Senior Center; the Center has gone about six months now without someone. Supervisor Drozd and Senior Director Hunt interviewed Samantha Hunt who is very proficient in computers and that skillset is needed at the Center. Former Senior Director Eschborn created a great facebook page for the Senior Center and put everything on facebook and people-got used to it. This fourth person will be taking over the facebook page, website, and helping on the Van scheduling; an extra set of hands on the office side. The two employees in the kitchen are fine. Supervisor Drozd believes Samantha will be a great fit at the Center. Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member Kassel, to appoint Samantha Marie Hunt to the position of Recreation Attendant at the current rate of the attendants with up to a six-month probation period, effective Monday, October 14, 2024. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

Supervisor Drozd advised that (i) Payment Application #1 Hulbert Library Green Space Project and (j) Appoint Laura Safford to the Hulbert Library Board of Trustees, be added to the Agenda. Motion by Council Member Krzemien seconded by Council Member Zittel, to add (i) Payment Application #1 Hulbert Library Green Space Project and (j) Appoint Laura Safford to the Hulbert Library Board of Trustees, be added to tonight's Agenda. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

i) Payment Application #1 Hulbert Library Green Space Project – Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to pay Ground Breaking Solutions Pay Application #1 in the amount of \$118,079.05. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried. The Town will pay this invoice and the Hulbert Library Board of Trustees will reimburse the Town out of the grant money they received.

j) Appoint Laura Safford to the Hulbert Library Board of Trustees – Motion by Council Member Krzemien, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to appoint Laura Safford to the Hulbert Library Board of Trustees. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried. Ms. Safford will be filling the vacancy created by Robert Adler's resignation; her term will be 10/10/2024 to 12/31/2028.

ITEM #6      COUNCIL MEMBER NOTES

a) Council Member Zittel advised that the Fairview Cemetery will be holding their annual meeting on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the East Concord Fire Hall.

b) Council Member Zittel noted that the East Concord Fire Department had their tractor pull. The funds from this event were being donated to The Children's League. The donation was \$17,500 without the Puller's donation money back and the people with sled; everyone chipped in on this event to make it a success. Shawn Cramer advised that the East Concord Fire Department presented The Children's League with the check today. Between the East Concord Fire Department, WNY Pro Pulling, and Full Pull USA, a check in the amount of \$25,000 was delivered to the League. Mr. Cramer noted that the total for that whole program was about \$30,000. Supervisor Drozd commented that that amount has to help The Children's League.

c) Council Member Drake informed the Board that the Town will be getting an opportunity where air conditioners and dehumidifiers can be taken to the Hazman location in Tonawanda. This was arranged through NEST and a flyer should be available shortly. Usually, the person has to take the freon out of the appliance; this will give residents the opportunity to just take them in there and get rid of them.

ITEM #7      EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Drozd advised that an Executive Session will be necessary to discuss a litigation issue. Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member

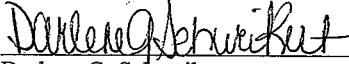
Drake, to go into Executive Session at 8:28 p.m. Hwy Supt Edwards was invited into Executive Session. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member Zittel, to come out of Executive Session at 8:56 p.m. Council Members Drake, Zittel, Krzemien & Kassel; Supervisor Drozd, voting aye. Carried.

ITEM #8      MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Supervisor Drozd, seconded by Council Member Zittel, and passed unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. in memory of:

Terrence P. O'Brien  
Matthew Wotherspoon  
Angelo J. Alberico  
Rita P. Folts  
Richard H. Finken  
Michael L. Gallo  
Edith B. Palmer

  
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Darlene G. Schweikert  
Town Clerk

***Town of Concord Highway Department***

**13076 N. Central Avenue**

**Springville, NY 14141**

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**Barry A. Edwards, Highway Superintendent**

Highway Superintendents Report for the period of September 10, 2024 to October 8, 2024.

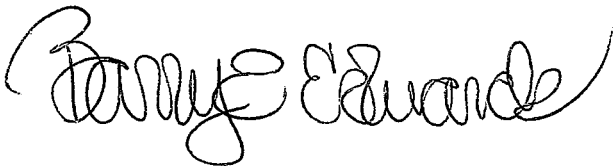
With twenty-nine days in this period the Highway Department

- Installed driveway culvert on Transit Line Road.
- Changed fuel tank on Tk#16.
- Swept Morton Road.
- Blacktop patch on White Street.
- Skid paved on Abbott Hill Road.
- Saw cut pavement on Kaiser Road.
- Narrowed and blacktop intersection of Spaulding and Genesee Roads.
- Skid paved Spaulding Road.
- Oil and chipped Pritchard and Spaulding Roads.
- Picked up lights in Craneridge.
- Removed dead deer on Smith Road.
- Dug out shoulders on Spaulding Road and installed safe hits.
- Repaired lights on Tk#16 and Tk#11.
- Cleaned the basket on the bucket truck and fiberglass.
- Ditched Smith Road.
- Repaired road signs on Smith Road.
- Removed old airlines in the shop.



- Installed two cross culverts on Kaiser Road.
- Hauled material from County Line and Woodruff Gravel.
- Loaded Tk#16 and Tk#19 with scrap and hauled to Preivity's.
- Organized culvert pipes at the shop.
- Cleaned the cold storage building.
- Hauled JX90U to Larry Romance for repairs.
- Repaired safe hits and road signs.
- Washed Tk#10 inside and out.
- Swept Kaiser Road.
- Put plow frame and winter tires on Tk#16 and Tk#19.
- Repaired shoulder on Doud Road.
- Continued to mow lawns.
- Cleaned lunchroom, breakroom, bathroom and office.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry A. Edwards". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "B".

Barry A. Edwards,  
Highway Superintendent

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**Expressing Support for the Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail (ECRT) Resolution for Cascade Bridge Design and Trail Construction Project**

1 message

Jessica Schuster &lt;jschuster@villageofspringvilleny.com&gt;

Thu, Oct 10, 2024 at 3:03 PM

To: Philip Drozd <concordtownsupervisor@gmail.com>, "drakec1@aol.com" <drakec1@aol.com>, "kdde8@aol.com" <kdde8@aol.com>, "kkrzemien.council@townofconcordny.com" <kkrzemien.council@townofconcordny.com>, "kenkassel@live.com" <kenkassel@live.com>

Cc: "townclerk@townofconcordny.com" <townclerk@townofconcordny.com>

Town Board Members -

I am writing to you in my official capacity as a village trustee to express my support of the project identified in the subject line. As a lifelong Springvillian and someone who frequents the rail trail in the town and village, I want to thank you for the support and attention you have already paid this project and encourage you to continue. I cannot attend the meeting tonight as it is my oldest son's 13<sup>th</sup> birthday, but I hope you'll include my email as part of the public record.

As you may well know, the Village of Springville is currently updating it's comprehensive plan. While there is much to be proud of in this document, images of the rail trail are truly fundamental to the document's aesthetics much like the the rail trail itself is fundamental to the village and by extension, to the town. The Springville portion of the trial spans 1.7 miles in it's entirety, and it is utilized constantly. The opportunities provided residents and visitors for recreation with this smart redevelopment maintains the "small town" feel of our area while also making a lot of economic development sense. We see new outlets for public art, new businesses popping up along corridors, and a renewed sense of community when these once bustling train pathways are used for other types of traffic.

This project will greatly improve the safety and walkability of the Cascade Bridge while also allowing for a vital connection to the Pop Warner trail segment in the Village of Springville. Your "yes" vote on the resolution will be good for all of us. Thank you.

Jessica Schuster, Trustee  
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