

this month. The developer has done a good job with the product, and will hopefully be an asset for the whole community.

The site plan has been approved for Dollar General. There is still a water service issue to work through.

K Ezell spoke with the board about the Accela program that the Planning Department is looking to purchase. He has talked with users who like the program, believes it would be beneficial for his department, and would like to see the purchase go through for the town. The Village would also have a seat for this program.

Supv Sumner and K Ezell attended the Village Public Safety Committee last week where they discussed parking regulations and access for fire vehicles. K Ezell reported the Village Board passed a resolution tonight to only allow parking on the south side of Applewood Lane and no parking at all on Maple Ridge Drive to allow for emergency access.

AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

At the agenda meeting last week board members reviewed and revised the resolution establishing the Agriculture Advisory Committee prepared by Cl Leifer and Cl Stelick. The final copy was distributed to the board. Cl Stelick said he is excited about it. They have nine applications from people who have asked to serve when the committee was finally formed. The resolution calls for five members initially and may be increased later. Cl Leifer thanked Cl Stelick for his work on this as well as the farmers committee that had been meeting over the past year.

RESOLUTION #48 (2013) -CREATING THE TOWN OF DRYDEN AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Cl Leifer offered the following resolution and asked for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Dryden recognizes the importance of agriculture and agricultural related enterprises as vital to the Town's economic base and in protecting and preserving the Town's rural character through the wise use and management of the Town's natural resources through good farming practices, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Dryden desires to establish an Agricultural Advisory Committee ("Committee") for the Town of Dryden to advise the Town Board on issues, whether arising from within the Town or outside of the Town, that impact Agriculture and Agricultural related enterprises within the Town of Dryden and provide recommendations to the Town Board when appropriate, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Dryden desires the Committee to, in addition to their advisory function, work with the Town Board, the Dryden business community, and other interested parties, to promote the Agriculture and Agricultural related enterprises that are located within the Town of Dryden, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Board of the Town of Dryden establishes an Agricultural Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee"), which shall serve at the pleasure of the Town Board, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Committee shall consist of the following membership composition:

- A. The Committee shall be composed of five voting members appointed by the Town Board as follows:
- (1) Five residents of the Town of Dryden from the agricultural community, actively earning income from agriculture or agricultural related enterprises, including but not limited to representatives from the greenhouse, crop production and dairy segments of the industry.
 - (2) One member from the Town Planning Board and one member from the Town Conservation Board, and one member of the Town Board shall serve as non-voting ex officio members.
 - (3) The Town Board shall designate the Chairperson of the Committee yearly.
- B. The members appointed to the Committee shall serve for a three-year term. Upon initial formation, two members shall serve for a one-year term, two members for a two-year term, and all others for a three-year term. Each year thereafter, reappointments or new appointments will be for three-year terms.
- C. Members shall serve without salary.

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Dryden designates the following as the duties of the Committee, subject to revision from time to time at the Town Board's discretion:

- A. Advise the Town Board and, upon direction from the Town Board, the County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board, in relation to the proposed establishment, modification, continuation or termination of any county agricultural district. The Committee shall present objective advice to the Town Board relating to the desirability of such action, including advice as to the nature of farming and farm resources within any proposed or established area.
- B. Review of proposed zoning changes or development in county agricultural districts.
- (1) Whenever a proposed local regulation is presented to the Town Board that may affect agricultural operations within the Town of Dryden, within or contiguous to a county agricultural district or Town agricultural zone, it may be referred to the Committee for review. The Committee shall have 30 days to respond with a recommendation(s) for the actions(s). The Town Board shall not be required to receive a recommendation from the Committee prior to proceeding with any action on the proposed local regulation.
 - (2) The Committee shall present advice relating to the desirability of such action, including advice as to the nature of farming and farm resources within any proposed or established area. This recommendation(s) shall include an objective opinion as to whether the proposed action(s) will have an unreasonable adverse effect, a positive effect, or no effect on the continuing viability of a farm enterprise or enterprises within the county agricultural districts and Town agricultural zones within the Town of Dryden. This recommendation(s) shall be advisory only.
- C. Review proposed county, state and federal legislation affecting agricultural issues and submit the Committee's evaluation of the legislation in question to the appropriate board and/or to the Town Board.

- D. Serve as a vehicle for communication between the agricultural community, the Town Board, and/or the County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board. Individuals or groups are in no way obligated to communicate with the Town Board via the Committee.
- E. The Commission shall also work with the Town Board, the Dryden business community, and other interested parties, to promote Agriculture and Agriculture related enterprises that are located within the Town of Dryden throughout the State of New York and elsewhere as deemed appropriate.
- F. The Committee shall be subject to the same laws and procedures as the other Town advisory Boards and Commissions. Minutes shall be prepared to the standard required by the Town Clerk and posted pursuant to the requirements established by the Town Board and other applicable law.
- G. The Committee shall meet as determined necessary by the Committee but no less than two times a year.
- H. Submit to the Town Board an annual report of the activities of the Agricultural Advisory Committee no later than December 31 of each calendar year.

And it is further,

RESOLVED, that upon filing with the Clerk and appointment of members by the Town Board the Committee shall schedule a public meeting within 30-days to establish its rules of procedure and conduct business as deemed appropriate by the Committee members.

2nd Cl Stelick

Roll Call Vote	Cl Stelick	Yes
	Cl Solomon	Yes
	Supv Sumner	Yes
	Cl Leifer	Yes
	Cl Lavine	Yes

Cl Stelick said there were nine great candidates for the committee. Initially they will appoint five members, but perhaps increase the number in the future. His recommendations were revealed and discussed.

RESOLUTION #49 (2013) – APPOINT MEMBERS OF AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Cl Stelick offered the following resolution and asked for its adoption:

RESOLVED, that this Town Board hereby appoints the following individuals as members of the Agriculture Advisory Committee for the term indicated:

Evan Carpenter for a term ending December 31, 2015;
Kim LaMotte and Douglas Barton for terms ending December 31, 2014;
Joseph Osmeloski and Steve Stuttle for terms ending December 31, 2013; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Town Board hereby appoints Evan Carpenter to serve as Chair of the Agriculture Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2013.

2nd Cl Leifer

Roll Call Vote	Cl Stelick	Yes
	Cl Solomon	Yes
	Supv Sumner	Yes
	Cl Leifer	Yes
	Cl Lavine	Yes

NEW BUSINESS

Conservation Board Chair – Supv Sumner said the Conservation Board has voted to recommend that Charlie Smith continue as Chair. She said there were meetings where public discussion was discouraged or prohibited and she understands why that happened at that time and she respects Charlie for doing that when he needed to. That will not be the norm, however, going forward.

Cl Stelick said he was unaware of any policy that the Conservation Board has had with respect to public participation and he would like to make policy that there is such a requirement. He won't determine the length of time, but thinks it is very important with all of the things that we go through to be as transparent as possible and listen to as many people as possible. We may not like what we hear, but we need to hear it. When we silence people that take time to come in and see us, we are missing the point. We need to listen, but we need to lay the ground work. He asked Cl Lavine to communicate that to the Conservation Board.

Supv Sumner said we also need to enable the advisory boards to establish limits and Cl Stelick and Cl Lavine agree.

RESOLUTION #50 (2013) – APPOINT CONSERVATION BOARD CHAIR

Supv Sumner offered the following resolution and asked for its adoption:

RESOLVED, that this Town Board hereby appoints Charles Smith to serve as Chair of the Conservation Board for 2013.

2nd Cl Lavine

Roll Call Vote	Cl Stelick	Yes
	Cl Solomon	Yes
	Supv Sumner	Yes
	Cl Leifer	Yes
	Cl Lavine	Yes

Supv Sumner said she has received notice from Dryden Ambulance that they would like to increase their rates and those have been provided to board members. She noted these rates are still substantially below other ambulance services in the region.

RESOLUTION #51 (2013) – AUTHORIZE AMBULANCE RATE INCREASE

Supv Sumner offered the following resolution and asked for its adoption:

RESOLVED, that this Town Board hereby approves and authorizes the following rates for Dryden Ambulance, effective January 1, 2013:

Basic Life Support Sign-Off	\$100.00
Advanced Life Support Sign-Off	285.00
Basic Life Support Emergency	650.00
Advanced Life Support I	750.00