

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE FORT ANN TOWN HALL, 80 GEORGE STREET, FORT ANN, NY

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard Moore
Councilwoman Deb Witherell
Councilman Dennis Fletcher
Councilwoman Gretchen Stark
Councilman Floyd Varney

OTHERS PRESENT: Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk, Paul Winchell, Highway Superintendent, Tom Bover, Fort Ann EMS, Glen Gosnell, Washington County Public Safety Director, Jonathan Pease, Washington County Public Safety Emergency Management Coordinator, Tim Hardy, Washington County Public Safety Deputy Director, Mitch Beck, West Fort Ann Volunteer Fire Company, Duane Burch, Jr.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

This meeting was announced in the Post Star November 22, 2016 and appeared under Today's Meetings section of the Post Star December 8, 2016.

The purpose of this meeting is Hadlock Dam Table Top Exercise. The Emergency Action Plan dated July 2016 prepared by Haley & Aldrich of New York was distributed. Supervisor Moore explained this is something that should be done every five (5) years with people that play a key role should the Hadlock dam breach again. The Town of Fort Ann recently changed insurance companies and the new company is very proactive in controlling risk.

The Highway Superintendent suggested adding NYS DOT under agencies that Washington County Public Safety should contact. Glen Gosnell, Washington County Public Safety Director, agreed and stated that the phone number should be 747-3325 wherever the number 747-7520 appears.

Jon Pease, Washington County Public Safety, suggested putting a declaration in place for easier access. Jon has a template and would be happy to forward to the Town of Fort Ann. The declaration would be filed with the Fort Ann Town Clerk and the Washington County Clerk.

Councilwoman Witherell asked if there was anything in place for pets. Jon Pease responded that would be addressed in the declaration.

Mitch Beck, West Fort Ann Fire Company, stated that the West Fort Ann Fire house is scheduled to be set up for and considered a shelter by the end of 2016.

Next step: Washington County Department of Public Safety will review the emergency action plan and contact Supervisor Moore for a follow-up meeting.

Supervisor Moore adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 12, 2016

Barbara Winchell, Town Clerk
Town of Fort Ann, New York