

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parish Town Board held September 16, 2010 at the Village Gym. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Stelmashuck at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Stephen Stelmashuck, Supervisor
Doug Jordan, Councilor
John Dunham, Councilor
Mary Lou Guindon, Councilor
Mary Ann Phillips, Councilor
Kelly Reader, Town Clerk

Also Present: Kathy McGaffick, Bookkeeper; Belden Dawley, Hwy Sup't; Mary LaFlair, Deputy DCO; Denise Sigourney, Assessor; Bob Genant, Town Attorney; Michael Allen, E-911 Oswego County Program Director; Janice Jarvis, Matthew Jarvis, India Jarvis, Jack Rucynski, Dale Chapman, and Robert Burgdorff, Upstate Power Corp Rep.

Approval of Minutes:

August Regular Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Councilor Jordan, seconded by Councilor Phillips to approve the August Regular Meeting Minutes with the correction that the County Fire Coordinator is Don Forbes. Roll taken...motion carried.

September Joint Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Councilor Jordan, seconded by Councilor Guindon to approve the Minutes of the September Joint Meeting with the correction that the New Visions Systems would be going through Central Square and Hastings. Roll taken...motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

Supervisor's Financial Report: The Supervisor's Financial Report was received by the Board and filed with the clerk.

October Calendar: Waived until more dates and times can be confirmed.

Revenue Reports: The Revenue and Justice Reports were received by the Board for review and filed with the clerk.

Presentation by Upstate Power Corp:

Mr. Bob Burgdorff from Upstate Power Corp gave a presentation on the Galoo Island electric transmission line project.

Upstate NY Power Corp has made application to the NYS Public Service Commission for Article VII certification to construct and operate an approximately 40 mile long overhead electric transmission line from the shore of Lake Ontario in the Town of Henderson to the nearest power line with sufficient injection capacity. The purpose of the proposed transmission line is to deliver 250 mw of renewable energy to the public from the Hounsfield Wind Energy Project located in Hounsfield, New York. This transmission line may also be used to solve transmission infrastructure limits in the region.

Mr. Burgdorff explained that the Power Corp. is trying to determine the closest route from

Galoo Island to Oswego County. Many factors are taken into consideration such as distance, cost, and feasibility. The Power Corp is looking for feedback from municipalities located in Oswego County.

There are many agencies involved in the process.

The Public Service Commission makes the final decision.

There will be more informational meetings scheduled throughout the county.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Jordan to enter into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss Real Property. Roll taken...motion carried.

The Town Attorney and Hwy Sup't were invited to attend.
Later the Jarvis Family and Mr. John Rucynski were invited to attend.
A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Jordan to adjourn to the Regular Meeting at 8:25 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

Town Board Meeting and Workshop Dates:

September 18th, 2010-9:00 am at the former Saint Anne's Church
Budget Workshops: Sept 22nd and Sept 29th- All workshops begin at 5:30 p.m.

Committee Reports:

Community Affairs, Parks, Preservation and Recreation Committee: Councilor Guindon submitted minutes from the committee meeting.

Emergency Services and Public Safety Committee: No report at this time.

Financial Affairs Committee: Councilor Phillips stated that she will set up a meeting with Deputy Supervisor Swartz.

General Government Committee: Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that they are moving forward with ongoing contract negotiations. A meeting is scheduled for September 21st.

Policy Reports: Councilor Jordan stated that they are working on policies.

Infrastructure, Policy, and Public Facilities Committee: Councilor Jordan stated that he had to catch up with the school regarding the joint fuel issue.

Task Force: The Board reviewed the Task Force Minutes.

Water Committee: Discussion was held at the September Joint Meeting.

REPORTS:

Legislator's Report: Legislator Leemann sent a letter stating that he was attending a meeting in Buffalo with other County Officials to discuss the state of the NY Budget.

Hwy Sup't Report: Hwy Sup't Dawley stated that they were hauling sand from Williamstown and they are catching up on small projects.
The power is on at the corner lot and the gazebo. The clerk has the key to the power box.
Hwy Sup't Dawley stated that he would like to invite the Board to see the 48 Walters and the Osh Kosh.
The Walters has not been used for about 18 years.
Councilor Jordan asked if repairs had been completed on Crim Road.
Hwy Sup't Dawley stated that he ran out of money.
Councilor Jordan asked if the sand is bid out.
Hwy Sup't Dawley stated that the county pays for the sand.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Reader submitted the Clerk's Report and the Dog License Report for August 2010.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Sigourney reported that she is completing obtaining commercial data. Data mailers should be mailed to the residents in about a week and a half. The reval assessments will affect the 2011 school taxes.

CEO Report: CEO Wafer submitted a CEO Report for August at the Joint Meeting.

DCO Report: Deputy DCO LaFlair stated that they are having difficulty in placing dogs and as a result the Board may see an increase in vet bills.
Deputy DCO LaFlair stated that in regards to the Enumeration, phone calls have been made to those that have not licensed their dogs. If the dog owners do not comply, tickets will be issued to violators.
Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that we need to stay on top of the process as municipalities will be responsible for the entire program as of January 1st, 2011.

Local Law: A motion was made by Councilor Jordan, seconded by Councilor Guindon to hold a Public Hearing on October 21st, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. on the Municipal Dog Law. Roll taken...motion carried.

Planning Board Chair Report: PL Brd Chair Scriber was excused. Planning Board Minutes were received by the Board.

Fire Chief's Report: Fire Chief Harvey was excused. Supervisor Stelmashuck read the Fire Report for August 2010.

Tug Hill Circuit Rider Report: Paul Baxter stated that there is a presentation scheduled on Energy Efficiency and Alternatives in Communities on October 7th, 2010 1-5pm in the Village Hall in Parish sponsored by NYS Tug Hill Commission. A Budget Comparison Sheet for all towns in Oswego County was provided to the Board by Paul.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Palladium Times Article

Syracuse.com Article

OLD BUSINESS:

ZBA & Planning Board Intermunicipal Agreements with Village-Update:

Intermunicipal Agreements and a draft of a local law providing for a consolidated Town/Village ZBA and Planning Board was presented by Attorney Genant for review. A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Jordan to set a Public Hearing for October 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. to consider providing for a consolidated Town/Village ZBA and Town/Village Planning Board. Roll taken...motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan: Waived.

Welcome to Parish Signs: Waived.

911 Postings: Waived.

Cemeteries: Waived.

Employee Handbook: Discussion was held under Committee Reports.

Approve 2009 Financial Audit Draft: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Jordan to accept the 2009 Financial Audit Draft as presented by Frank Basile CPA. Roll taken...motion carried.

The next step is to invite the auditing firm to a meeting to present a final Financial Report.

Status of Grant to Study Reuse of Parish Elementary: Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that the grant was denied.

Dog Shelters: Councilor Phillips asked the Board to review the information that she provided to the Board from Ron Crandall, Richland Supervisor regarding a County-Wide Dog Shelter.

NEW BUSINESS:

Second Deputy Clerk Position: Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that according to the Association of Towns, there is no conflict with appointing Pat French as a second Deputy Town Clerk.

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Phillips to authorize appointment of Patricia French to the position of Deputy Town Clerk. Roll taken...motion carried.

Set Special Meeting to address issues that were waived at the Regular Meeting:

A motion was made by Councilor Phillips, seconded by Councilor Guindon to hold a Special Meeting on September 30th, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. to address issues that were waived at the Regular September Meeting and to address any other business to come before the Board. Roll taken...motion carried.

Audit by the Comptroller's Office: Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that the Comptroller's Office notified the Town that they will be conducting an audit. The date has not been determined.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Paul Baxter suggested to file a letter designating the Town as an interested party to the Galoo Island Project. This will keep the Town informed on all decision that are made regarding the project.

Councilor Dunham stated that NYSERTA has conducted a study on the Village Gym and they determined that the Village can save \$1,100 a year when they implement their recommendations.

It was suggested to have all Town and Village Buildings take advantage of the program. Also, the Primary Election was held at the Fire Station and it seemed to run very smoothly.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Jordan to approve the claims to the General Fund, those being claims #357-#393 for a total warrant of \$14,746.03. Roll taken...motion carried.

Highway Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Dunham to approve the claims to the Highway Fund, those being claims #188 to #207 for a total warrant of \$40,618.21. Roll taken...motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Jordan, seconded by Councilor Dunham to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Reader
Parish Town Clerk