

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parish Town Board held June 18th, 2013 in the Village Gym, Parish, NY. Supervisor Stelmashuck called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Stephen Stelmashuck, Supervisor
John Dunham, Councilor
G. Richard Horning, Councilor
Mary Lou Guindon, Councilor
John Horning, Councilor
Kelly Reader, Town Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Rep.; L.J. Harvey, Fire Chief; Bob Genant, Town Attorney; Dan Burns, Bookkeeper; Belden Dawley, Hwy Sup't; Bill Alsworth, Highway Employee; Al VanSanford, Highway Employee; John Fadden, Deputy Hwy Sup't; Barb Horning, David Reader, Business Owner; Doug Miller, Engineer; Ed Karboski, resident; Jonah Karboski, resident; Greg Porter, Assistant Fire Chief.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May Regular Meeting: A motion was made by Councilor Guindon, seconded by Councilor Dunham to approve the May Regular Minutes as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

May Public Hearing: A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by Councilor G. R. Horning to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing held May 9th, 2013 as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

Supervisor's Financial Report: The Supervisor's Financial Reports for May, 2013 were received by the Board and filed with the Clerk.

Revenue Reports: The Regular and Justice Revenue Reports were received by the Board and filed with the Clerk.

July Calendar: Waived until the workshop.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Community Affairs, Parks, Preservation & Recreation:

Councilor Guindon stated that Community Affairs held their meeting on June 17th, 2013 at the Village Gym, Parish, NY to honor Bob Chambers for his service as Conservation Advisory Officer as he is stepping down.

Friends of Parish Parks will have their next meeting in August. They are working on their 501C3 tax exempt status.

The Ponds Grant for \$4,300.00 was received by the Town for the balance of the Boardwalk.

The Education Foundation hosted a Golf Tournament on June 2nd, 2013. CARPP gave a presentation on June 7th, at 1:15 pm at BOCES.

Discussion was held if the Farmer's Market could be held for a longer period of time.

Highway Superintendent Dawley needs to contact the movie crew that is doing a movie in Happy Valley as they want to do a day clean up of the Valley and the Town will supply the trucks for them, for the garbage.

The Town and Village will be doing another newsletter in the near future and will contact the Chamber to see if they would like to participate.

Emergency Services and Public Safety: Councilor Dunham stated that there is a new director for Emergency Management. The Fire Company has installed 220 green 911 signs.

Financial Report: No Report.

General Government Report: No Report. A letter from John Pekoff was received stating that they are ready to discuss the Highway Union Contract.

Jonah Karboski, an Eagle Scout candidate presented his project to the Town Board. He has designed and constructed a horseshoe pit at Merrill Town Park. Supervisor Stelmashuck made a motion to accept Jonah's contribution to the Town which was seconded by Councilor Guindon. Roll taken...motion carried.

Stelmashuck thanked Jonah for his work. The date for the Eagle Scout Ceremony will be the 3rd Sunday in September.

Supervisor Stelmashuck read the resolution that he was going to present on behalf of the Town and Village to Bob Chambers to honor him for his 12 years of service to the Town and Village as the Conservation Advisor.

Infrastructure, Policy, and Public Facilities: The furring strips project at the Highway Garage is almost complete.

Task Force: No report.

Water Committee: Councilor Dunham said the water surveys have been mailed. The Town has had 245 surveys returned. The more surveys returned the more points we are eligible for and to receive accurate collection of data. There will be an informational meeting in August to answer questions, concerns, pros and cons for water.

Engineering Services: There will be a similar survey about possible joint ownership for the gym. The County will be testing wells. The Town would have to pay for it. There are 15-20 wells that should be tested. The cost for well testing is around \$15-\$20 per test. The engineer is looking into drainage at the Town Park for the ball fields.

Legislator's Report: No Report.

Hwy Sup't Report: Hwy Sup't Dawley gave the following report:

All stone has been hauled in.

Brush cutting and limb removal is under way.

Ditching has been done.

They're waiting for the track hoe from the County.

The lawn mower at the Town Park needs to have oil added as the rings are getting worn.

Hwy Sup't is going to try and look into some repossessed equipment.

The Radios have been programmed and returned from E911/Emergency Management.

Hwy Sup't Dawley will advertise trucks on the International Auction Site to solicit bids.

Everything is working properly.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Reader submitted a written Clerk's Report and Dog License Report for May 2013.

Assessor's Report: No Report.

CEO Report: CEO Bennett submitted a written CEO Report for May 2013.

CEO Bennett stated that he is changing the permit fee schedule so a renewal fee will not exceed the original permit cost. He will design a permit fee schedule.

DCO Report: No Report. The annual inspection report was certified satisfactory.

Planning Board Chair Report: Pl Brd Chair Scriber was excused.
Planning Board Minutes were submitted by Linda Paul.

Fire Chief's Report: Fire Chief Harvey gave the Fire Report for May, 2013.
They have two new members and will be getting another one next month.

Tug Hill Circuit Rider Report: Last Wednesday a workshop was held at the State Comptroller's office. They discussed the fiscal stress system. Discussion as held about the increase in retirement costs. The Comptroller's Office is ranking fiscal stress. Parish has not been ranked at this time. The Comptroller will have a teleconference on Thursday June 27, 2013 about fiscal stress. John Bartow will speak on the dissolution of a Village on Thursday July 11, 2013.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Letter from NYMIR-The insurance carrier regarding rate decreases.

OLD BUSINESS:

Upcoming Conservative Advisor Vacancy: Conservation Advisor Bob Chambers said the lady buying his house is qualified and would like to put in her application to be the new Conservation Advisor.

Franchise Agreement with New Visions Communications: Supervisor handed in the public service communications and is waiting to hear from them.

Time Warner Cable Franchise: Supervisor Stelmashuck said Attorney Genant is proceeding with the process of implementing changes

The County has come out with the Summer Happenings guide.

The Chapman Road Bridge was under discussion as concrete work needs to be done and cosmetic work needs to be completed.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Barb Horning said there have been complaints about the Town mowing. Lawns and grounds are being torn up. Allen VanSanford, highway worker said the mower hasn't been operating correctly.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to approve the claims to the General Fund, those being claims #144-#185 for a total warrant of \$13,213.81. Roll taken...motion carried.

Highway Fund:

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor G. R. Horning to approve the claims to the Highway Fund, those being claims #115-#132 for a total warrant of \$11,813.93. Roll taken...motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to take a 4 minute recess at 7:21 p.m. and to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations, litigation, real property and personnel. Roll taken...motion carried.
Clerk Reader was invited to attend.

A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor Guindon to adjourn from Executive Session at 7:41 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Dunham, seconded by Councilor Guindon to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Reader
Parish Town Clerk