

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parish Town Board held April 18th, 2014 in the Village Gym. Supervisor Stelmashuck called the Meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENT: Stephen Stelmashuck, Supervisor
John Dunham, Councilor
Carra Watson, Councilor
G. Richard Horning, Councilor
John Horning, Councilor
Evelyn M. Stelmashuck, Parish Deputy Town Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Bill Alsworth, Krista Alsworth, George Korthas, Hwy Sup't; Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Rep; Belden Dawley, John Fadden, Barbara Horning, Craig Petit, and Greg Porter, Fire Chief.

EXCUSED: Bob Genant, Town Attorney; Dan Burns, Bookkeeper; and Bill Scriber, Planning Board Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by Councilor Dunham to approve the March Minutes as received. Roll taken...motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

Supervisor's Financial Report: Supervisor Stelmashuck presented the Supervisor's Report to the Board and it was filed with the Clerk.

Revenue Reports: The Regular and Justice Year to Date Revenue Reports were reviewed by the Board and filed with the Clerk.

May Calendar: Supervisor Stelmashuck handed out copies of the May calendar and went over it.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Community Affairs, Parks, Preservation and Recreation: Councilor Watson stated that there was no report at this time. Supervisor Stelmashuck said that the CARP Committee would like wood chips put in Merrill Park. They also would like donations of rakes, gloves, garbage bags, brushes and stain and they would like the Board's permission to have a clean up day at Merrill Park on May 3, 2014. Highway Sup't Korthas said he bought gloves and he has rakes. A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by Councilor Watson to approve the volunteer clean up at Merrill Park. Roll taken...motion carried.

Supervisor Stelmashuck asked Highway Sup't Korthas if he could get one of the ball fields ready now and George said they would. He is looking into getting a skid steer to drag the field.

Councilor Dunham asked about the bridge and boardwalk project at Merrill Park and the Supervisor said it is too wet at this time to work on them yet.

The Supervisor said it has to be nice dry weather before the playground equipment can be moved from the former Parish Elementary to Merrill Park.

Emergency Services and Public Safety: Councilor Dunham asked if the McFee ambulance contract was up in 2015 and the Supervisor said yes. Councilor Dunham said the dam on Mill Street where the firemen get their water supply is eroding underneath. Fire Chief Porter agreed and said something needs to be done.

Financial Affairs: Councilor J. Horning said there is nothing at this time for public discussion, but would have a report in Executive Session...

General Government: Supervisor Stelmashuck stated that the bookkeeper ran the first quarter budget sheets of what has been spent by each department and gave them to the department heads.

Infrastructure, Policy and Public Facilities: Councilor G. Richard Horning said he rode on some of the Town Roads with the Highway Sup't and said there is a lot of work to be done as the harsh winter raised havoc with the roads. He said the west end of Voorhees Road is in bad shape. Also a lot of water is backing up on the side of Kipp Road, but nothing will be able to be done until about August when it is dry. A lot of ditching will have to be done on the roads.

Task Force: They are going to try and reorganize.

Water Committee: Councilor Dunham stated that OCWA and USDA Rural Development spoke at the Joint Meeting. He said we have two options but he wants to get more data and test some wells in the Town before we have another public meeting.

Engineering Services: Dealt with under water committee.

REPORTS:

Legislator's Report: No Report at this time.

Highway Sup't Report:

*Supervisor Stelmashuck started off by reading a letter from a citizen praising two of our Town Highway workers who woke him and his family up when they saw sparks coming out of their chimney to make sure everything was okay. The man was very appreciative and said it shows what good people are in a small town. Supervisor Stelmashuck praised the two workers; Craig Petit and Belden Dawley and shook their hands and thanked them from the town.

*Hwy Sup't Korthas spoke in regards to the equipment being repaired and the repairs at the Town Highway Garage.

*George said there are only a couple of loads of salt left.

*George said he would like the Town seal on his truck. Supervisor Stelmashuck is looking into it.

*The County is trimming the trees on North Railroad Street.

*George has the men doing work orders.

*Supervisor Stelmashuck asked if George could have two loads of chips brought to the Merrill Park and he said he would.

*Supervisor Stelmashuck asked if the men could clean the picnic tables and George said yes he would pressure wash them. He has materials for this.

*George said the Town should get more gas cards for the Town to purchase gas at different locations where it is cheaper out of Town if they are in that area. George said they get about 2-2.9 miles per gallon when they are pushing snow and 5-5.5 regularly.

*George said he checked with 3 stone quarries for prices. He got the best quote from King's Quarry which is \$7 per ton. A motion was made by Councilor J. Horning, seconded by Councilor G. Horning to approve the getting the Town's stone from King's Quarry. Roll taken...motion carried.

*George said he doesn't want to get involved with the Valley Gate road project as it was Belden's project. Supervisor Stelmashuck said they would discuss it at the Board Workshop.

*George said he got an estimate for servicing the generator from Tag Home Products, which the Board discussed. Councilor Watson made a motion to accept the price from Tag Home Products for a new generator for the Highway garage which was seconded by Councilor Dunham. Roll taken...motion carried.

*George would like to put a retainer around the town's sand pile. He said it would take about 40 retaining blocks at a cost of \$50 per block. A motion was made by Councilor G. Horning, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to approve the purchase of the blocks for a retaining wall. Roll taken...motion carried.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Reader submitted a written Clerk's Report and Dog License Report for March, 2014. Councilor Dunham asked about the dog enumeration. Supervisor Stelmashuck said he had asked Town employee Dixie Vincent if she would do the dog enumeration and she agreed. The Board would like her to do the Village and the south side of St. Rt. 69 this year. A motion was made by Councilor Dunham,

seconded by Councilor G. Horning to approve the appointment of Dixie Vincent as Dog Enumerator. Roll taken...motion carried.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Lopitz gave a written Assessor's Report which was read by Supervisor Stelmashuck.

CEO Report: CEO Bennett had submitted a CEO/ZEO Report for March 2014 at the April 2014 Joint Meeting.

Planning Board Report: Chairman Scriber was excused. Two issues the Planning Board wanted the Board to be aware of an update on the sign ordinance and they need a noise ordinance for a concert this summer on Stone Hill Road. The Board will discuss these matters at the budget workshop.

DCO Report: Deputy DCO LaFlair submitted a written DCO Report for March, 2014.

Fire Chief's Report: Fire Chief Porter gave the Fire Report for March, 2014.

Tug Hill Circuit Rider Report: Councilor Dunham remarked how informative the Tug Hill conference was.

Paul Baxter presented the following information:

*The NYCOM analysis of 2014-2015 state budget.

*Municipal efficiency summit at the Holiday Inn in Liverpool next Friday, 4-25.

* The 2014-2015 NYS budget included \$12,923.89 for aid in response to the severe 2013-2014 winter.

*The web site has been updated.

*The Salmon Rivers Council of governments meeting will be later this month or in early May.

*Thanks to everyone who attended the local government conference; it was the second largest ever. They are always looking for good training topics for the conference or other workshops through the year. They are looking at Red Flags for Fraud Workshop in conjunction with the state comptroller's office. It has been several years since the last time they held one.

*Windows XP has reached its end of life. Paul can help with any upgrades or transitions for any one interested. He will be moving forward on the previously approved purchase of a WiFi router for upstairs.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

Supervisor Stelmashuck read a letter from McFee Ambulance stating they are having a fund drive.

Supervisor Stelmashuck read a letter from Oswego County Solid Waste stating they are having a hazardous waste collection on May 3, 2014 at Bristol Hill. Also they will be having those Wednesdays and Saturdays May through September.

Supervisor Stelmashuck read an invitation from the Oswego County Bar Assoc. stating they are having an event and someone from the Town can come as a guest and representative.

Supervisor Stelmashuck handed out the 2014 Rabies Clinics schedule to the Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

Time Warner: Supervisor Stelmashuck said there are a couple of little quirks that Attorney Genant wants to discuss with the Board concerning the Time Warner Franchise Agreement. The supervisor said they will discuss it at the Board Workshop.

NEW BUSINESS:

Human Resource Officer: Supervisor Stelmashuck said Clerk Reader has been acting as the Town's Human Resource Officer. Supervisor Stelmashuck made a motion to appoint Clerk Reader as the Town's Human Resource Officer which was seconded by Councilor G. Richard Horning. Roll taken...motion carried.

Key Bank: Superintendent Stelmashuck said Key Bank will no longer take the service charges off that they charge on the Town's bank accounts. The Board discussed two options. The first being reimbursing each town account the money that is taken out each

month so as to have the accounts balance out; or to designate a town employee to deposit the monies brought in from the different departments in a timely manner. The Board decided for now that they would go with option one.

Supervisor Stelmashuck made a motion, seconded by Councilor Dunham to reimburse each town account the money that is taken out each month in order to have the accounts balance. Roll taken...motion carried.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

No Comments.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

General Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to approve the claims to the Highway Fund, these being claims #124 to #159 for a total warrant of \$120,871.83. Roll taken...motion carried.

Highway Fund: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, seconded by Councilor J. Horning to approve the claims to the Highway Fund, those being claims #70 to #93 for a total warrant of \$23,200.56. Roll taken...motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Supervisor Stelmashuck, Seconded by Councilor G. Horning to enter into Executive Session at 8:33 p.m. after a 3 minute recess to discuss Real Property and Contract Negotiations. Roll taken...motion carried. Deputy Clerk Stelmashuck was invited to attend.

A motion was made by Supervisor, seconded by Councilor Dunham to adjourn from Executive Session at 8:56 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilor Dunham, seconded by Councilor G. Horning to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Roll taken...motion carried.

Respectfully,

Evelyn Stelmashuck
Parish Town Clerk