

Regular Town Board Meeting September 23, 2008

Supervisor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

Roll Call: Supervisor Moore, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilman Votra, Assessor Chairman Ferguson, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, CEO Rodenhouse, Highway Superintendent Remington, Assessor Chairman Ferguson, Town Clerk Maguire

Absent: Councilwoman Robinson

Others Present: Elbridge E. Randall, Jennifer Myers, Milton DeGraw, John Carr

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on August 27, 2008 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

CEO Report:

CEO Rodenhouse reported a busy month with plenty of site visits. Permit applications have slowed down. There was much discussion on the enforcement of local zoning regulations on gravel pits that were granted use variances. It was decided that CEO Rodenhouse would get a copy of the letter stating the stipulations that were agreed to and contact the gravel pit asking for compliance.

A motion was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the CEO report as submitted and to be filed with the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported a slow month with a few minor repairs and one new service being added.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to accept the Water District report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods.

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor Chairman Ferguson reported that his office has completed the assessment visits for the year and are now working on the paperwork involved.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to accept the Assessor's report as given by Assessor Chairman Ferguson.

All in favor.

Recreation Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported that many repairs are being made at the park. The 37 picnic tables are rebuilt and painted and the back stop is being worked on. There have been minor repairs to the boiler and the truck is back in use after being repaired.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to accept the Recreation report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods.

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Milton DeGraw thanked Supervisor Moore and the Town Board for help with the Riverwalk Project. Electricity will be set soon so the flag can be flown all the time. There was discussion on the notifications from New York State about when to fly the flag at half mast. Councilman Votra said he would check with the school to find out how they receive their information. Supervisor Moore and the Town Board thanked Mr. DeGraw for his work on the project. Elbridge E. Randall complimented Highway Superintendent Remington on the nice job that was done paving the parking lot across the road from the town hall on Catherine Street.

Business:

- a) John Carr brought the Town Board up to speed on the USDA financing and the shared services for purchasing fuel. There was much discussion about the plans to proceed and what needs to be done.
- b) There was discussion about the increasing costs at the transfer station for pickup fees and fuel surcharges. Councilwoman Tremper volunteered to talk to neighboring towns for information on sharing services.
- c) *A motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilman Cook to reappoint Patricia Phippen to a five year term on the Board of Assessment Review Board.

All in favor.

- d) There was discussion on how to increase the availability of food assistance in the Town of Parishville. Supervisor Moore has been in contact with another source for assistance and will continue to look into this.
- e) There was discussion on the money used for helping the local Senior Citizen Club with their monthly dances held at the town hall. Councilwoman Tremper volunteered to work on a contract between the Town of Parishville and the Parishville Hilltopper Senior Citizen Club.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to raise the amount of money given to the Parishville Hilltopper Senior Citizen Club by \$600.00 per year to reflect a total of \$3100.00 annually.

All in favor.

- f) There was discussion about the water fees and upgrades that will eventually need to be done at the water plant.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to raise the water rates to \$53.00 for non-water users and \$60.00 for water users. *All in favor.*

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington discussed tentative plans for paving for next year. He also reported that a screener will be rented to prepare the rest of the sand for winter. *A motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the Snow and Ice Contract from St. Lawrence County for 2009.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Remington.

All in favor.

Bills:

A motion was made by Council and seconded by Council to accept the bills as follows:

1. General Account Bills - \$18,895.32
2. Highway Account Bills - \$19,405.75
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$10,534.00
4. Payrolls:
 - General:** 08/29/08 (\$13,479.03), 09/05/08 (\$3,162.46), 09/12/08 (\$8,263.39), 09/19/08 (\$3,162.46)
 - Highway:** 08/29/08 (\$6,489.17), 09/05/08 (\$6,489.17), 09/12/08 (\$6,489.17), 09/19/08 (\$6,489.17)
 - Water:** 09/12/08 (\$738.48)

GENERAL FUND TRANSFER

FROM: **CONTINGENT ACCOUNT** - 1990.4A - \$70.03
TO: **TAX & ASSESSMENT ON PROPERTY** - 1950.4A - \$70.03

All in favor.

Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:

Councilwoman Tremper reported that she has talked to the art teacher at the school and the plans for the “Welcome to Parishville” signs are underway.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 PM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

Next Audit Date: October 21, 2008 Auditors- Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook

Next Meeting Date: October 22, 2008

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk