

**Regular Town Board Meeting  
April 28, 2009**

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

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

**Others Present:** Transfer Station Attendant Richard Moulton, Animal Control Officer Robert Phillips, John Carr, Calvin Dafoe, Legislator Laura Perry

*A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 24, 2009 and the Special Meeting April 7, 2009 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

*All in favor.*

**CEO Report:**

CEO Rodenhouse asked the Town Board to give him their ideas on what procedures they would like him to follow on State mandated inspections for Public Buildings and rental properties. The Town Board would like CEO Rodenhouse to check with other Towns to see what procedures they are using. Councilwoman Tremper asked for a list of properties that the CEO needs to inspect.

It will be addressed at next Regular Board Meeting.

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

*All in favor.*

**Assessor's Report:**

Assessor Chairman Ferguson reported that the Notifications letters have been sent. Grievance Day will be the last Tuesday in May.

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

*All in favor.*

**Water District Report:**

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported he has revised annual water quality report and water department emergency plan. Mr. Woods received four estimates for seven (7) hydrant extensions, the least being \$1,900.00.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilman Cook for Mr. Woods to add extensions to hydrants. *All in favor.*

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**Recreation Report:**

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported that about 100 children are signed up for t-ball this season.

Mr. Woods reported he contacted the St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau Community Service Brigade and they will help clean up trails. Mr. Woods has received a request from some parents to start an organized youth running program. The Board Members agree this is a good idea. Councilwoman Tremper suggested contacting Verizon to remove the pay phone at the Park; it would be a savings of 82.54 a month. Superintendent of Public Works Woods will have it removed.

*A Motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the Recreation report as given by Superintendent of Public Works Woods.

*All in favor.*

**Privilege of the floor:**

Transfer Station Attendant Richard Moulton and Board Members discussed raising the cost of over sized bagged garbage. The Board Members agree to leave it up to the Attendant's discretion.

Legislator Laura Perry discussed County spending of Stimulus. Mrs. Perry is working on negotiating the distribution of sales tax in Ogdensburg.

**Business:**

a) Supervisor Moore asked Superintendent of Public Works Mr. Woods to report on any information he had on applying for the Brownfield Recovery grant to clean up old gas station property on Main Street. Mr. Woods reported some of the criteria the Town needs to meet are; sole ownership of property, cost share is 20% of \$ 200,000 grant, special site plan needs to be done, they will research previous owners to see if they are liable in any way. Board Members think this will take years but may be worth pursuing.

b) Councilwoman Tremper reported she spoke to Tom Morgan at DEC in Watertown to find out if there will be more restrictions on wood boilers. Mr. Morgan said it was not on the Governor's agenda for this year. So no changes.

c) Blue Mountain Engineer John Carr suggested hiring Black Drake Consulting from Plattsburgh to do the Archaeological Study on the Rutman Road on the site for the new town barn. The fixed cost for Phase 1 cultural survey \$1,970.00. Supervisor Moore signed agreement

d) Councilman Votra asked that the Town Lawyer R. Linden look over lease agreement with Verizon for installation of cell tower on Town property.

**Highway Report:**

Highway Superintendent Remington reported that CHIPS money is restored this year, no increase from last year. Board Members all signed agreement to spend highway fund. Mr. Remington reported the new town signs are up.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Remington. *All in favor.*

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**Bills:**

*A motion* was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilman Cook to accept the bills as follows:

**General Account Bills** - \$16,821.88

**Highway Account Bills** - \$39,489.78

**Water District No. 1 Bills** - \$543.66

Payrolls:

**General:** 03/26/09 (\$7,210.09), 04/02/09 (\$3261.89), 04/09/09 (\$6981.10), 04/16/09 (\$2,776.26), 04/23/09 (\$7,656.55)

**Highway:** 03/26/09 (\$7,447.76), 04/02/09 (\$8,169.06), 04/09/09 (\$6,769.52), 04/16/09 (\$8,135.05), 04/23/09 (\$6,767.70)

**Water:** 04/16/09 (\$830.41), 04/23/09 (\$131.12)

*All in favor.*

**Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:**

Councilwoman Tremper reported that Bank Statements will be available for Board Members to review at Audit every month.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilman Votra to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 PM.

*All in favor.*

**Next Audit Date:** May 26, 2009

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Sherry Remington  
Deputy Town Clerk

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