

Regular Town Board Meeting February 23, 2010

Supervisor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Roll Call: Supervisor Moore, Councilwoman Robinson, Councilwoman Tremper (7:34 PM), Councilman Cook, Assessor Chairman Ferguson, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire
Councilman Votra- absent

Others Present: John Carr, Parishville Fire Chief Ed Cool, Richard Moulton

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 26, 2010 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor Chairman Ferguson reported the reassessment work is done for the year. The office has been very busy with Star applications which are due in his office by March 1. Mr. Ferguson gave a brief update on the lawsuit with National Grid.

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

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported that the Water Plant is running well again. There was a freeze up on the Picketville Road because the water main is too shallow. It has frozen before and probably will freeze again.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to fix the water line on the Picketville Road when the weather permits, to prevent future freezing.

All in favor.

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

All in favor.

Recreation Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported the skating rink has been much busier and getting lots of use. He also stated that he received a \$750.00 donation from the Parishville Hopkinton PTSA to help with the cost of replacing the boards at the rink.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper 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:

Parishville Fire Chief Ed Cool addressed the Town Board and explained that the Potsdam Rescue Squad would like to expand their territory into the Town of Parishville. This was discussed and will be dealt with when and if the town is officially contacted by them. There was also discussion about how the Parishville Rescue Squad works together with the Hopkinton and TriTown Rescue Squads. Mr. Cool also told the board that a new 2010 ambulance has been purchased and invited anyone who would like to see it, to stop at the station.

There was discussion about the increasing use of the Town Hall to town residents at no charge. It was also discussed about the use of the Town Hall for school functions such as dances.

Business:

- a.) There was much discussion on the transfer station and Waste Stream/Casella. It was discussed that Casella should be making pickups during regular hours of operation.
- b.) John Carr gave the latest update on the progress on the Town Barn Project. He encouraged everyone to stop in and take a look at the project. It is going very well so far.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve Change #2 (addition of in-floor heating to truck bay-electrical and mechanical contract), Change #3(addition of wiring to the H & V Units-electrical contract), Change #4(upgrade lighting-electrical contract) to the contracts for the Town Barn Project as submitted by Engineer John Carr and to be kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to approve and pay bills for Rural Development Report #4 for the Town Barn Project.

All in favor.

- c.) *A motion* was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to pass the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-2010

TO PROMOTE PARTICIPATION IN THE 2010 CENSUS WITHIN THE TOWN OF PARISHVILLE

WHEREAS, the U.S. Constitution mandates a headcount every ten years, which is accomplished by the decennial Census process, and

WHEREAS, population data from the Census are used to determine the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as boundaries for legislative districts across New York State and within St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, Census data are widely used by every level of government in New York State to allocate over \$40 billion in program funds, and

WHEREAS, Census data are used by the private sector for market research and to plan operations and expansions, and by individuals to research their communities, and

WHEREAS, Census Bureau has asked for assistance of local governments organizations and individuals across the country to help build public awareness about why the Census is important, and to encourage every person in their community to participate,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Parishville does hereby support the efforts of the Census Bureau and of St. Lawrence County's Complete Count Committee to promote participation by all residents of the Town of Parishville in the 2010 Census, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Parishville does hereby request that local agencies, service organizations and community leaders throughout the Town of Parishville work together to promote maximum participation in the Census.

Supervisor Moore- Aye

Councilwoman Robinson- Aye

Councilwoman Tremper- Aye

Councilman Cook- Aye

Councilman Votra- absent

Resolution adopted.

d.) A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 03-2010
RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CLOSING
OF THE OGDENSBURG CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

WHEREAS, Governor Paterson's proposed 2010-2011 State Budget eliminates funding for the medium security Ogdensburg Correctional Facility, which would force the New York State Department of Corrections to close the facility; and

WHEREAS, this medium security prison was welcomed in Ogdensburg in 1982, at a time when other municipalities in New York State did not want a prison; and

WHEREAS, the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility has provided employment to residents of the City of Ogdensburg and St. Lawrence County for the past 28 years, and has provided valuable manual labor through work programs to the City of Ogdensburg and other not for profit organizations in the greater Ogdensburg community; and

WHEREAS, the closing of the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility will result in the loss of more than 287 jobs at the facility, many held by Ogdensburg residents, and will result in untold job losses at businesses that support the facility and businesses that serve the employees of the facility; and

WHEREAS, the unemployment rate in St. Lawrence County is one of the highest of New York State's 62 counties, and

WHEREAS, median income of residents in St. Lawrence County is one of the lowest of New York State's 62 counties;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Parishville Town Board strongly opposes the closing of the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility, and urges Governor Paterson and the State Legislature to provide the necessary funding to keep the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility open.

AND, FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Commissioner of Corrections Brian Fischer, Governor David Paterson, Senator Malcolm Smith, Senator Darrell J. Aubertine, Senator Hugh T. Farley, Senator Joe Griffo, Senator Thomas K. Duane, Senator Brian X. Foley, Senator Martin J. Golden, Senator Carl Kruger, Senator Elizabeth Little, Senator George D. Maziarz, Senator Velmanette Montgomery, Senator Michael F. Nozzolio, Senator John L. Sampson, Senator Jose M. Serrano, Senator Dale M. Volker, Senator George Winner, Assemblyman James Tedisco, Assemblywoman Addie J. Russell, Assemblywoman Dede Scozzafava, Assemblywoman Teresa R. Sayward, Assemblyman Jeffrion L. Aubry, Assemblyman Michael Benjamin, Assemblyman William Colton, Assemblywoman Janet L. Duprey, Assemblyman Joe Giglio, Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries, Assemblyman Alan Maisel, Assemblyman Felix Ortiz, Assemblyman Jose R. Peralta, Assemblyman William Scarborough, Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg, Assemblyman Keith L. T. Wright and Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver.

Supervisor Moore- Aye
Councilwoman Robinson- Aye
Councilwoman Tremper- Aye
Councilman Cook- Aye
Councilman Votra- Absent

Resolution Adopted.

e.) A motion was made by Supervisor Moore and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the movement of \$200,000.00 (two hundred thousand) from the Town Hall/Town Barn Renovation bank account to a new checking account at the NBT Bank to be called the Town Barn Account to be used for the new Town Barn Project as previously discussed at past meetings and not put into formal motion.
All in favor.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported that as per the Five Year Plan for the Highway Department, a new plow truck is needed. It was discussed among the board and Mr. Remington of the different options that were available.

A motion was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to allow Highway Superintendent Remington order the new plow truck as indicated in the Highway Department Five Year Plan of his choice.

All in favor.

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

All in favor.

Bills:

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

1. General Account Bills - \$23,542.70
2. Highway Account Bills - \$38,350.99
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$848.89
4. Payrolls:
 - General:** 01/21/10 (\$3,250.35), 01/28/10 (\$8,902.48), 02/04/10 (\$3,414.25), 02/11/10 (\$7,501.78), 02/18/10 (\$3,263.04)
 - Highway:** 01/21/10 (\$8,880.72), 01/28/10 (\$9,227.95), 02/04/10(\$10,306.77), 02/11/10 (\$8,987.33), 02/18/10 (\$8,065.43)

GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS

FROM: **CONTINGENT ACCOUNT** – 1990.4A - \$796.00

TO: **SUPERVISOR EQUIPMENT** – 1220.2A - \$796.00

FROM: **CONTINGENT ACCOUNT** – 1990.4A - \$99.00

TO: **MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION DUES** – 1920.4A - \$99.00

FROM: **CONTINGENT ACCOUNT** – 1990.4A - \$1,500.00

TO: **PLANNING CONTRACTUAL** – 80204A - \$1,500.00

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 PM.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

Next Audit Date: March 23, 2010 **Auditors:** Councilwoman Robinson, Councilman Votra

Regular Board Meeting: Meeting date: March 23, 2010- 7:30 PM

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk