

Regular Town Board Meeting September 28, 2010

Supervisor Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Roll Call: Supervisor Moore, Councilwoman Robinson, Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilman Votra, Assessor Chairman and Code Enforcement Officer Ferguson, Superintendent of Public Works Woods, , Highway Superintendent Remington, Town Clerk Maguire

Others Present: Elbridge E. Randall, Richard Moulton, Jacqueline J. DeGraw, Milton DeGraw, Larry Page, Jerry Hayes, John Carr

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on August 24, 2010 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

All in favor.

Supervisor Moore started the meeting by announcing that Richard Rodenhouse, the Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Parishville, had passed away on September 25th.

Mr. Moore expressed his sadness at this news and said that Mr. Rodenhouse will be greatly missed.

Mr. Moore also announced that Deputy Code Enforcement Officer Ron Ferguson will be taking the position of Code Enforcement Officer going forward.

Privilege of the Floor:

John Tenbush from the St. Lawrence County Planning Board addressed the Board and gave information about the Smart Growth Grant Program. His office will be compiling a "User's Guide to the Adirondacks in St. Lawrence County". He asked for information from the Town identifying any business that is located or used by the residents of the Town of Parishville that could be used in this guide. There will be meetings at various locations within the Adirondack Park to work on this project and invited all interested persons to attend. The meeting in Parishville will be on October 6, 2010 at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall.

CEO Report:

CEO Ferguson submitted his written report for the month and answered a few questions regarding ongoing problems with junk cars and garbage within the township.

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

All in favor.

Assessor's Report:

Assessor Chairman Ferguson reported that data for 99% of this side of the river has been collected and now his office will be starting on the data for the new construction. Next

year the focus will be on the other side of the river to complete the information for the hamlet.

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

All in favor.

Water District Report:

Superintendent of Public Works Woods reported the water system is working fine with a few repairs done in the last month.

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

All in favor.

Privilege of the Floor:

Fred Wilhelm addressed the board regarding the Riverwalk Park project. He said that a second interpretive panel was being worked for the Natural History of the river. He also said that an area business gave them a good deal on some larger trees that will be planted soon. Supervisor Moore thanked Mr. Wilhelm and all involved in the Riverwalk project for all their hard work and dedication to the park.

Milton DeGraw thanked the highway department for the quick response and good job that was done to fix a problem on the road near his home. He also thanked the Town Board for being "Responsible Stewards" in handling the finances for the town and watching out for the best interest of the townspeople in this tough economy.

Councilwoman Robinson gave a brief update of the bicentennial planning for the Town of Parishville which will be celebrated in 2014. The first meeting was held on September 22nd and the next meeting is scheduled for November to start fund raising for the event. The date will be advertised and everyone was invited to attend.

Business:

- a.* John Carr gave an update on the progress of the studies done for clean up at the old town barn and the safety of the building was discussed. Highway Superintendent Remington will have a crew secure the doors and windows of the old town barn until a decision is made as to what to do with the building. The possible sale of the old highway garage and/or property was discussed. The pros and cons of the demolition of the old highway garage were also discussed at length. The condition of the museum roof and outbuildings were discussed and John Carr will look into what needs to be done.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 14-2010

WHEREAS:

- The construction project for the new Highway Facility is complete and is about \$40,000 under budget, and
- To complete demolition of the existing Highway Department under the General Contract will cost in the range of \$90,000 to \$156,000 depending on the amount of work performed by Town forces, and
- There have been persons expressing interest in purchasing the property, and
- The Town does not want to incur added debt, and
- The Town would like to use the excess funds (\$40,000±) to stabilize and/or demolish portions of the building by reducing the Town's contribution to the USDA-RD funded project, and
- Reducing the Town's contribution to the project requires USDA-RD approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- The Project Engineer be authorized to request USDA-RD approval to reduce the Town's contribution to the project, and
- The appraisal of the property, by Hostetter Appraisal Service be authorized at a cost not to exceed \$1,000, and
- Fredrick Wilhelm, LS be authorized to investigate the boundary survey of the site.

Kari Tremper	Aye
Rodney Votra	Aye
Shirley Robinson	Aye
Conrad Cook	Aye
Jerry Moore	Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

- b. The Tentative Budget was discussed. There will be a working budget meeting on October 12, 2010 at 9:00 am. This time and date will be verified before it is published in the paper.
- c. The Riverview Cemetery (Willisville Cemetery) in West Parishville was discussed. Supervisor Moore reported that the cemetery has not been abandoned as previously thought and the town is not responsible for this property.
- d. Supervisor Moore reported that Beverly Genaway has been hired as the backup Crossing Guard to assist Betty Beha.

- e. Supervisor Moore reported that Wayne Matthews resigned from his position as backup Transfer Station attendant.
- f. There was discussion about the summer youth sports program and who is eligible to participate. This will be revisited at a later date.

Highway Report:

Highway Superintendent Remington reported that the sand is all put up and ready for inclement weather. The gas tank roof has been completed and the Town of Waddington bought the plow truck for \$17,000.00 and will be picking it up this week.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Votra to accept the Three year Winter Maintenance Agreement Extension (October 1, 2010- April 15,2011) with St. Lawrence County.

All in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Votra and seconded by Councilwoman Tremper to accept the Snow & Ice Control Agreement Extension for 2010- 2011.

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 transfers and bills as follows:

Transfers:

From: Contingent Account- 1990.4A- \$1,000.00
 To: Attorney Contractual- 1420.4A- \$1,000.00

1. General Account Bills – \$16,252.12
2. Highway Account Bills - \$8,891.22
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$9,982.05
4. Payrolls:
 - General:** 08 /26/10 (\$20,486.50), 09 /02/10 (\$3,282.09), 09/09/10 (\$9,246.19), 09/16/10 (\$3,275.73), 09 /23/10 (\$3,275.73)
 - Highway:** 08/26/10 (\$6,934.36), 09 /02/10 (\$6,092.54), 09/09/10(\$6,158.91), 09/16/10 (\$6,092.54), 09/23/10 (\$6,092.54)
 - Water:** 09/09/10 (\$774.27)

All in favor.

Anything else anyone wishes to discuss:

The transfer station and the costs involved were discussed. Councilwoman Tremper stated that she and the board have been working hard to decrease the cost of running the transfer station and looking into all options that are made available.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 am.

All in favor.

Meeting Dates:

Next Audit Date: October 26, 2010- Auditors: Councilwoman Tremper, Councilman Cook

Regular Board Meeting: October 26, 2010

Connie Maguire
Town Clerk