

The Town Board of the Town of Trenton held a regular Meeting at the Trenton Municipal Center 8520 Old Poland Road, Barneveld, New York. Supervisor Joseph Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Present were: Councilmen Betsy Mack, Bruce Kellogg, Dan Shanley and Stephen Godfrey and Stanley Harris, Town Clerk. Also present were: Phil Sacco, County Legislator, Attorney Thomas Hughes, Leo Boulerville, Zoning, Arthur Hughes, Highway Superintendent and Sue Martin, NOCCOG.

Pledge to the Flag:

Privilege of the Floor:

-Sacco advised they had their Board Meeting today and the proposed County Budget is out which is 393 million which is up a little from last year, but there was no property tax increase for the third year in a row.
-Sacco advised the old Oriskany Airport was sold for 10 million which helped retire 14.9 in bonding and we will create 12.9 which is a first.

Officers Report:

Highway Superintendent – Abstract:

-Hughes advised they are wrapping up highway work; Gene’s Paving is coming next week for Depot Road.
-Hughes and Smith discussed the budget and the schedule for buying new equipment.
-Smith advised you each have a copy of the Highway Abstract (see Exhibit A) in the amount of \$83,872.77 and a good part of this is salt which the Highway is storing for next winter.
-Harris read in an additional voucher No. 336 in the amount of \$825.00 for stump grinding on Vanderkemp making a new total of \$84,697.77.
-Kellogg made a motion to accept the audited vouchers No. 292 through 336 in the aggregate amount of \$84,697.77, seconded by Mack. Roll Call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye Kellogg, aye; Shanley, aye and Godfrey, aye. Motion carried.

Assessor:

-Smith advised no report.

Zoning, Codes:

-Smith advised Cutler was absent but they went over the report (see Exhibit B).
-Boulerville advised everyone has a copy of the Zoning Report (see Exhibit C).
-Boulerville advised he will be sending Rasco on Rt. 12 a letter regarding violations.
-Boulerville advised he met with Mr. Ash from DEC to discuss the National Flood Insurance Program.
-Boulerville asked if there were any questions or concerns.

Attorney:

-Roberts - Hughes advised he has filed the Lawsuit against Roberts, but he has not been served yet.
-E-Z Stop – Hughes advised he is getting abstract updated.
-Prospect – Hughes advised he has been doing some research.
-Smith advised Hughes about Easements to relocate utility poles on Vanderkemp.

Supervisor’s Report:

-Smith advised he just received the September Report (see Exhibit D); tabled until the next meeting so everyone has time to review.

Clerk’s Report:

-Smith advised everyone has a copy of the Clerk’s Report (see Exhibit E) and asked if there were any questions.

NOCCOG:

-Martin advised Remsen was given a grant for \$100,000 for the bridge replacement.
-Martin advised the annual meeting is coming up Thursday October 29, 2015.
-Martin advised there is Zoning & Codes training October 22, 2015 in the Town of Lee from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.
-Mack stated that the County proposed budget was passed and NOCCOG is included.

Resolutions:

-Smith advised everyone has a copy of the Hinckley Abstract (see Exhibit F).
-Godfrey made a motion to accept the audited Hinckley Vouchers Nos. 24 through 28 in the aggregate amount of \$262.31, seconded by Godfrey. Roll Call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye; Kellogg, aye; Shanley, aye and Godfrey, aye. Motion carried.
-Smith advised everyone has a copy of the General Abstract (see Exhibit G) in the amount of \$81,710.17.
-Harris advised there is an additional abstract No. 656 in the amount of \$50.00 which was a donation for the late ZBA Chairman Charles LaMendola.
-Mack made a motion to accept the audited General Vouchers Nos. 580 through 656 in the aggregate amount of \$81,760.17, seconded by Shanley. Roll Call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye; Kellogg, aye; Shanley, aye and Godfrey, aye. Motion carried.

Minutes:

-Smith advised we have minutes for 9/23 and 9/30 (see Exhibits H & I).
-Harris asked to table the minutes for 9/30/15 as he had a correction request and he will have to listen to the tape.
-Smith advised 9/23/15 was correct and asked if there were any questions.

-Godfrey made a motion to accept the minutes for 9/23/15, seconded by Mack. Roll Call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye; Kellogg, aye and Godfrey, aye. Shanley abstained. Motion carried.

Resolution accepting Time Warner users in Prospect into the Town of Trenton after dissolution:

-Smith stated this cannot be resolved tonight, there are still some questions pending.

Resolution regarding property easement to National Grid reference power poles on VanderKemp Ave:

-Mack made a motion to authorize the Supervisor to convey an easement to National Grid to relocate the utility poles on Vanderkemp Ave, seconded by Kellogg. Roll call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye; Kellogg, aye; Shanley, aye and Godfrey, aye. Motion carried.

Appointments for Tonya Brown Assessor and Scott Collins as Chairman of the Independent Board of Review:

-Smith advised we need to appoint Tonya Brown as Assessor and reappoint Scott Collins as Chairman of the Independent Board of Review as his appointment is up in September; so we need to appoint Collins for another 5 years

-Shanley asked if Brown's was a year?

-Smith stated she is under contract for six years, but we have to reappoint her every year.

-Kellogg made a motion to appoint Brown for 1 year ending September 2016; and to reappoint Scott Collins as Chairman of the Independent Board of Review for 5 years ending 2020, seconded by Shanley. Roll Call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye; Kellogg, aye; Shanley, aye and Godfrey, aye. Motion carried.

Priority Issues

PB/ZB Openings:

-Smith advised we have an opening on the ZBA due to the death of Chuch LaMendola and also the Planning Board due to the death of Warren Brown and this we have a number of resumes for, everyone should have copies and we need to set up a date and time for interviews.

-Godfrey asked if we could use these resumes for both?

-Smith advised yes; he will set up some interview times and let everyone know.

2014 Justice Court Audit:

-Smith advised we did a full Town audit for 2014 but the Court System will not accept it.

-Smith advised we have to do a separate audit for the Court and everyone should have a copy of the form they sent us.

-Smith stated there is a four page form that we never knew existed.

-Kellogg asked who will do the audit?

-Smith advised we will.

-Shanley stated it looks pretty easy.

-Godfrey stated we did meet with Cannon and VanBuskirk last year.

-Smith advised it has to be done every year.

Town of Steuben request to use the Recycling Center:

-Smith advised the Town of Steuben would like to use our Recycling Center next year.

-Smith stated they had their last trash day on the 15th and he received a call from the Supervisor if we would consider them using our center?

-Smith advised they he would have to discuss with the Board; basically they have two trash days a year and it cost them about \$7,500.00 and they have about 700 to 705 taxable parcels.

-Smith stated it is something we need to think about and obviously if we do it, it would not start until January 1st.

-Smith sated Remsen had 3 trash days that cost them about \$18,000 and they had about 1640 taxable parcels and now they pay us \$15,000 a year and they can come once a month so as you can see, Steuben would be less than half of that. If we used the same parameters we used for Remsen, it would cost Steuben about \$7,000 per year.

-Attorney Hughes asked if they were looking to save money or was it more for convenience.

-Godfrey asked if we could look into Remsen to see how we are doing with that day and see what Ron thinks about this.

-Smith stated this is going very well; there was a lot to start with but now it has leveled off to around 40 or 50 cars on the Remsen day.

-Godfrey stated maybe Steuben could even come on the same day as Remsen.

-Smith advised right now we are only open 5 hours on Monday, but we could increase the hours.

-Smith stated we will discuss and he advised Steuben we would make a decision by November.

Mercy Flight donation request:

-Smith advised they are looking for a donation of 10 cents per resident, so ballpark would be around \$450.00. This kind of ties in with the Ambulance request and we don't know what we are doing with them yet.

-Kellogg asked if we have any data as to how many visits they have made to the Town of Trenton?

-Smith stated they show for Oneida County in 2013 they had 13 calls and 6 transports, 2014 – 13 calls and 8 transports and 2015 – 9 calls and 6 transports so far.

-Kellogg asked for the whole county?

-Smith advised yes.

-This was tabled for now.

Teamster's Contract status:

-Smith advised the changes we discussed previously in Executive Session have been accepted; once this is ready for signatures, we will have a meeting and go over.

Adirondack Scenic Railroad Train Car Barn:

October 14, 2015

-Smith advised Adirondack Scenic Railroad is interested in building a barn up behind the old Town Garage; basically 100 by 160 ft and they would want land of 220 by 120 ft. section.
-Smith .stated he and Art met with two representatives to discuss.
-Smith advised they will write up a proposal with drawings; there will be 7 or 8 employees and they will just refurbish train cars.
-Kellogg asked if they were going to pay us something.
-Smith advised yes they will pay for the land; this will all be in their proposal.
-Kellogg asked about environmental aspect.
-Smith stated he was told there won't be any floor drain; everything will be enclosed and cleaned up. Once the proposal is received we can all take a walk up there and look around.

Singing Hills Senior's By-Law update:

-Smith advised the Senior are working to revise some of their by-laws; they are going to start charging a little more for out of towners and they are going to come up with an active and inactive list of members; we will go over this once we receive.

2016 Budget status:

-Smith advised everyone has a copy of the very tentative budget, we are still waiting on more hard data regarding Prospect.
-Smith stated we will have a budget meeting next Wednesday, October 21, 2015.

Prospect Dissolution:

-Smith advised this was mentioned with the budget and the dissolution is being worked on.
-Smith advised the 70/30 split will not be applied this first year; the State advised him it would all be put toward tax relief this year.

Painting and new carpet for Municipal Center:

-Smith advised as everyone knows, the carpet in the Municipal Building is worn and needs to be replaced along with new paint.
-Smith advised he will get new quotes for the carpet and with the painting will probably run around \$10,000 plus some of our labor.
-Smith advised Latus will be going out for a back operation and that leaves two building and ground workers; it is his opinion to have them do the painting in the building rather than have them go out on unemployment. They will be working part-time, but they will also have to do the work here along with the plowing.

Replace Buildings and Grounds 2005 pickup truck:

-Smith advised the 2005 truck that is used by the Buildings & Grounds needs to be replaced and it will be about \$30,000 package with the plow and everything on it. We put so few miles on it and get them at such a good price, if we get new ones every three years, our costs would be minimal. It is like leasing; every few years with a couple thousand bucks, we could get a new vehicle and it would always be under warranty.
-Kellogg asked you talking about trading it in instead of keeping it.
-Smith advised we have one new truck, the 2014, but the 2005 has to be replaced.
-Kellogg asked what will happen with the 2005?
-Smith advised we will either sell it or maybe keep and use for Prospect water, Hinckley sewer, etc.
-Smith advised we have the money in the budget and he would like permission to order because it takes 14weeks.
-Mack made a motion giving the Supervisor permission to order the new Pickup truck for the Buildings and Grounds, seconded by Godfrey. Roll Call: Smith, aye; Mack, aye; Kellogg, aye; Shanley, aye and Godfrey, aye. Motion carried.

Committees

Planning Board:

-Smith advised they are starting to work with the UCP Solar Project.
-A discussion regarding solar power ensued.

ZBA:

-Nothing

CAC:

-Nothing

Greenbelt:

-Smith advised there is another logging process going on in Greenbelt, so the Blue Trail will be closed (Martin Brown's property).

-Smith advised some signs were defaced on the Canal Trail

Communications:

-Smith advised NOCCOG Dinner is at Delta Lake on 10/29/15.
-Oneida Ag District information received.

Next Meeting will be October 21, 2015 and October 29, 2015.

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216 -Godfrey is concerned about our Animal Control Officer and his duties.
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218 The meeting was adjourned at 9:06pm.
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220 Respectfully submitted,
221 Stanley K. Harris
222 Town Clerk