

## **TOWN BOARD MEETING**

June 14, 2012

7:00 p.m.

Present: Robert Multer, Supervisor  
Allan Button, Town Councilman  
Wayne Dunton, Town Councilman  
Daniel Paddock, Town Councilman

Also Present: Tom Reifsteck, Highway Superintendent  
Dawn Kane, Code Enforcement Officer  
Pat Grimaldi, Assessor  
Bruce St. Lawrence, Planning Board Member

Recording Secretary: Kathy Pelton

### **Minutes**

Supervisor Multer requested a motion to approve the minutes from May 10, 2012. After a brief discussion, Councilman Button made the motion to approve the minutes and Councilman Dunton seconded the motion.

\*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT & CONCERNS - HYDROFRACKING**

Resident Gary Hoffman reviewed the most recent community concerns regarding hydrofracking. The Town has, at present, a moratorium and prohibition of natural gas and petroleum exploration and extraction activities. Our attorney has prepared a resolution to extend the moratorium for an additional six months (through March 27, 2013). The proposed Resolution will be sent to the Planning Board for their review and recommendations; once their review is complete, it will be presented to the Town Board. Additionally, our Town Attorney has been in contact with the attorneys working pro bono on a law prohibiting hydrofracking.

### **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – Tom Reifsteck**

1. The department has been busy changing the last of the pipes.
2. Work to rehabilitate Bare Hill Road has begun. The department will be working on other roads throughout the Town as well. In addition, seasonal mowing has begun.
3. There was discussion regarding work that will be required to stabilize an area of the bank along So. Lake Road. Before any work can begin, however, the Town must get a proposal from Lu Engineers. Bruce St. Lawrence will send a work order out to them, which will initiate our request for a proposal.
4. There was discussion about the work that will be required to upgrade the highway buildings. Councilman Paddock will take some interested contractors out to review the buildings, gather information and develop a bid packet. The town will also review any opportunities to obtain grant funding to offset some of the costs.

## **ROBESON STORE**

1. An ad requesting proposals renting the Robeson Store went into the paper and four people have responded. There are a couple of people interested – one of them is very interested. The Town is awaiting information on a water system – the Store cannot be leased until it has potable water.
2. There has been a slight delay in completing the renovations as the contractor is awaiting the delivery of some materials. Once the materials arrive, the project should be completed relatively quickly.

## **BEACH – Dawn Kane**

1. The beach is now open and fully staffed. All lifeguards have been certified. We have a well seasoned staff this year – all lifeguards are returning from previous years.
2. The contractor who is working on the Robeson Store will be repairing the spindles on the beach gazebo.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT – Dawn Kane**

1. The McEneany property has been demolished and the site has been cleaned up.
2. The Townline Road property has been sold again and efforts to clean up and make improvements have begun.
3. Cars have been removed from the property on Tuscany Lane.

## **SIDEWALK PROJECT – Bruce St. Lawrence**

1. The final landscaping work has begun and is on schedule to be completed by the end of the month.

## **PLANNING BOARD**

1. Review of the Steep Slopes law is on the agenda for June 20<sup>th</sup>. Attorney Bob Johnson has reviewed the law and made some edits which the Planning Board will be reviewing at the meeting.

## **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT – Robert Multer**

1. The Supervisor reviewed the report from the Yates County Dog Warden. (See attached.)
2. The Baptist Church will have an open house on June 17<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the opening of their new Youth Recreation Building.
3. Recently, the Town of Middlesex received a FOIL request from an attorney who wished to take some documents out of the Town Hall for review. All in attendance agreed that at no time should official documents ever leave the building. After discussion, Supervisor Multer requested a resolution making it the policy of the Town of Middlesex to never allow any official document to leave the building. Councilman Dunton made the motion to offer the Resolution and Councilman Button seconded the motion.  
\*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Town of Middlesex Citizen Appreciation Day will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm at the Middlesex Fire Hall. Terry Smith and Gary Oppelt will both be honored this year.
2. Councilman Paddock requested permission to allow Marcus Whitman school counselor Gail Arnold to use the Town Hall to provide tutoring to a student who lives in the Town. Permission was granted.
3. Work on the Town Newsletter must begin shortly. Deadline for submitting articles to the Town Clerk is July 13<sup>th</sup>.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Paddock made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a financial matter. Councilman Button seconded the motion.  
\*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

**BILLS AUDITED**

Councilman Dunton made the motion to pay the bills and Councilman Paddock seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

General Fund:	Vouchers No:	1095 to 1117	\$ 6,868.42
Highway Fund:	Vouchers No:	2117 to 2142	\$ 28,976.92
Water District:	Vouchers No:	3019 to 3022	\$ 1,637.12

Councilman Button made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Dunton seconded the motion.  
\*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.