

TOWN BOARD MEETING

August 8, 2013

7:00 p.m.

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

Also Present: Tom Reifsteck, Highway Superintendent
Dawn Kane, Code Enforcement Officer
Arthur Radin, Zoning Board Chairman
Marty DeVinney, Planning Board Chairman
Bruce St. Lawrence – Project Manager & Planning Board Member

Recording Secretary: Kathy Pelton

Minutes

Supervisor Multer requested a motion to approve the minutes from June 29, July 8, July 11, July 27 and August 5, 2013. 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.

PRESENTATION – Finger Lakes Land Trust

The Finger Lakes Land Trust is applying for a grant in an effort to secure funding to help stabilize land recently purchased on East Lake Road. Work would also include installing steps and demolition of an old shed. The organization requests a Resolution from the Town Board to endorse the Grant Application. After a brief discussion, Councilman Paddock made a motion to offer the Resolution and Councilman Gerbic seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion Carried

**See attached Resolution.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Peter Parshall

Peter Parshall came before the Town Board to review his request to have livestock on his property of 39 acres in the Town of Middlesex. The property is in a split district (low density and Hamlet); our Zoning Law does not allow livestock in the Hamlet. Mr. Parshall noted that his request was approved by the Yates County Planning Board. He went before the ZBA to request a Use Variance, however this is very difficult for the ZBA to grant – there must be financial hardship. After review and detailed discussion, the Town Board asked that Mr. Parshall allow the ZBA to continue and conclude their process. Should the ZBA find that they cannot grant a Use Variance, the Town Board will again review the case and will consider moving the Hamlet District line.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – Tom Reifsteck

1. The department has been very busy due to Town Barn renovations and so they have not undertaken any new special projects.

2. The Highway Superintendent would like to take the Highway Departments blue truck to auction. RTI Auctions (Roy Teitsworth, Inc.) will guarantee a sale of no less than \$15,000 and if the sale price is not met, they will not take their 10% commission. After a brief discussion, Councilman Paddock made the motion to authorize the Highway Superintendent to enter into an agreement with Roy Teitsworth, Inc. and take the truck to auction in September. Councilman Dunton seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

3. Supervisor Multer noted that the project to make repairs at the Fisher property will have to be put on hold. There was discussion about the possibility of breaking the repair out into two parts and perhaps completing Part 1 of the project later this year and Part 2 of the project next year.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT – Robert Multer

1. Supervisor Multer distributed Financial Statements through July 31, 2013.

2. As part of the ongoing repairs and renovations to the Town Barns (and as required for Bond Financing), Supervisor Multer requested a Resolution to declare that the repair and reconstruction of the Town Barns is a Type II action as set forth in Section 617.5 (c)(2) of the SEQR regulations and not subject to further review. Councilman Paddock made the motion to offer said Resolution (see attached Resolution) and Councilman Gerbic seconded the Motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

3. Supervisor Multer requested a Motion to authorize him to enter into an Agreement with BPD Municipal Finance for Financial Consulting Services. Councilman Dunton made the motion to authorize Supervisor Multer to enter into the Agreement and Councilman Paddock seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried.

4. Supervisor Multer requested a Motion to authorize him to enter into an Agreement with Timothy McGill to act as the Town Bond Attorney. Councilman Gerbic made the motion to authorize Supervisor Multer to enter into the Agreement and Councilman Button seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried

WATER DISTRICT

The work to apply for grant funding to replace the water storage tank is complete and the application is due on Monday, August 12, 2013 no later than 4:00 p.m. As part of the application, a certification form must be signed and submitted. After review and a brief discussion, Councilman Dunton made the motion to authorize Supervisor Multer to sign the Certification Form and Councilman Gerbic seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion Carried.

As part of the Grant Application, Mary Chappell requested that the Town Board pass a Resolution in support of the Water Tank and Water System Improvements. After a brief discussion, Councilman Gerbic offered said Resolution (please see attached) and Councilman Dunton seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion Carried

TOWN BARN RENOVATION – Bruce St. Lawrence

Project Manager Bruce St. Lawrence reviewed the change orders (see attached) with the Town Councilman and Supervisor.

PLANNING BOARD – Marty DeVinney

1. Chairman DeVinney reviewed the proposed Moratorium on Development in the Steep Slope areas of the Town of Middlesex. The proposed Moratorium was written to last for six (6) months. However, Town Board members felt that this as not enough time to prepare details of the final law and have hearings in the Spring/Summer when lake residents return for the summer. After a detailed discussion, Councilman Dunton made the motion to draft the Moratorium so as to last for twelve (12) months and Councilman Gerbic seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion Carried.

2. After review of the proposed Moratorium on Development in the Steep Slope areas of the Town of Middlesex, and with the assumption that the proposed law would go before the Yates County Planning Board in late August, Councilman Paddock made the motion to set a Public Hearing for Thursday, September 12, 2013 (the second Thursday in September) at 7:00 p.m. and Councilman Dunton seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Public Hearing set for September 12, 2013.

VINE VALLEY BEACH – Dawn Kane

1. Swim lessons are wrapping up for the summer – it has been another very successful year at the Vine Valley beach.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Dawn Kane

1. The department continues to be busy with building permit requests. In addition, the Code Enforcement Officer has sent out a number of letters to area residents whose property is in need of clean up. (Letters were sent to be timed with Clean Up Days, August 17th and August 18th.)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Supervisor Multer requested a motion to authorize him to enter into an Agreement with Jennifer Grushow to provide administrative services associated with the Bond Financing. After a review and a brief discussion, Councilman Dunton made the motion to authorize Supervisor Multer to enter into the Agreement and Councilman Gerbic seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion Carried.

2. Councilman Paddock reviewed repairs and improvements necessary for the Salt Storage Building.

3. Bruce St. Lawrence noted that the paint is bubbling on the shutters at the Robeson Store. The painter will go on site, pull down all the shutters and provide the rework at no cost to the Town.

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: 1181 to 1207	\$ 63,899.35
Highway Fund:	Vouchers No: 2138 to 2163	\$ 64,038.32
Water District:	Vouchers No. 3029 to 3031	\$ 224.49

Councilman Gerbic made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Button seconded the motion.

*All in favor; none opposed – Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.