

The Regular Town Board Meeting was held May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Town Hall Conference Room, 1000 SR 1000, Penn Yan, NY 14527.

Board Present: Supervisor                    John Prendergast  
                  Councilmen:                    Richard Harper  
    Becky Jensen  
    Alan Tomion  
    Glenn Quackenbush

Also Present: Highway Superintendent – Jeff Mann, Town Clerk – Bobbi Wolfe, Historian/Health Officer – Eleanor Parker

Public Present: Yates County Representative – Jim Smith, Lake Residents: Jill Corey, Bernie Deckman, John Reed, George Jakobovic Jr. Gwen DeBuck.

Supervisor opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

**Guest:** Jill Corey of 259 Oak Tree Drive along Seneca Lake was in attendance with several other lake residents requesting help from the town board to have Time Warner Cable installed along the lake. A representative from TWC informed the residents to contact their town board for support, along with required 35 signatures prior to TWC making a determination to install the service. Supervisor Prendergast will prepare a letter in the next week or two.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush seconded by Alan Tomion to approve the minutes from the April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting as presented. Motion was carried,

**Old Business:**

Municipal Energy Program Update: Richard Harper explained out of two towns he had contacted, the Town of Geneva did signed up for the service. At this time they had not received a bill to determine if there was any savings. The Town of Italy did not sign up after checking the rates determined there wouldn't be enough savings to warrant a change. Clerk Wolfe copied a year's worth of NYSEG invoices for Mr. Harper to average the town rate. Mr. Harper is also checking into solar power and will be meeting with Finger Lakes Solar 5/14/15 and will have more information at the June meeting. Mr. Harper hadn't had time to contact NYSEG regarding the LED lighting proposal, he will also have this info for the June meeting.

**New Business:**

The Agriculture & Markets Dog Control Officer and Municipal Shelter inspection reports were received from David Phillips with a satisfactory rating.

**Water District # 2:**

2015-2016 Budget has been received from the Village of Penn Yan with a reduction of \$7930.00 in O&M and capital costs.

**Water District # 1 Extension:**

"Letter of Conditions" were signed April 20<sup>th</sup>, Cindy Newcomb of Rural Development stated once the Paperwork is signed by the state the process starts. The next step will be the Pre-Construction Meeting. WD # 1 Extension paperwork has been approved !!

**Resolutions:**

#22-15: Loan Resolution – WD # 1 Extension: Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Richard Harper approving the Loan Resolution in the amount of \$390,000.00. Motion was duly put to a vote: AYES: Prendergast, Tomion, Jensen, Quackenbush, Harper.

**Highway:**

Highway Supt. – Jeff Mann reported that his mower is back, not in use as of yesterday and the roller is here at the town barn. Jeff stated that he went to see the roller prior to delivery and approved it.

**Schoolhouse:** Becky Jensen escorted Todd and Don Christensen for a tour of the schoolhouse.

**Yates County Representative:** Jim Smith reported that SLAP-5 has renamed their organization to Seneca IO Meetings are held evenings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. Mr. Smith also reported the progress on the Proposed Town of Torrey water district is still in the engineer mapping process.

“Jake Brake” issue: Mr. & Mrs. Bicksler approached the town board at the January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Meeting regarding a noise complaint with “Jake Brakes” being used through Bellona. Supervisor Prendergast contacted Yates County Highway Superintendent, David Hartman May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to discuss this issue. Mr. Hartman stated there aren’t any signs in Yates County stating the use of Jake Brakes are illegal and the County won’t be placing any signs in the Hamlet of Bellona or Yates County. Supervisor Prendergast will be sending a letter to the Brickslers with Mr. Hartman’s response.

Jeff Mann reported his contact with Brian Winslow regarding the Homeland Security & Emergency Services Brian stated the town should not opt out of the “Intrastate Mutual Aid Program” (IMAP).

Clean Up day is set for June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Clerk Wolfe has coordinated all parties involved which includes: B&B, Cardinal Disposal, Clayridge Tire, “SWEAPS” Program, “REACT” E-Waste. Also notification will be put in the newspaper for two weeks.

Mr. Harper reported that the Town Code is now on our website.

**Monthly Reports & Abstract of Vouchers:**

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to accept the following Monthly Reports & Abstract of Vouchers: General (A) Claims 73-100 Totaling \$31,286.37, General (B) Claims 313-317 Totaling \$252.30, Highway (DA) Claims 46-55 Totaling \$69,898.93, Highway (DB) Claims 3-5 totaling \$4266.11, SW1 Claims 30-34 Totaling \$218.40, SW2 Claims 35-42 Totaling \$216.26. SW3 Claims 24-27 Totaling \$194.84. Town Clerk – Highway – Supervisor – Zoning – Water Reports. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Becky Jensen, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to go out of the regular meeting into Executive Session at 8:27 P.M. Under Public Officers Law, Section 105, Paragraph (f) under Personnel including Highway Supt. Jeff Mann. Motion was carried unanimously. Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded Glenn Quackenbush to go out of Executive Session back into the Regular meeting as of 9:15 P.M. Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to adjourn the meeting as of 9:17 P.M. Motion was carried.

Dated: May 14, 2015  
Bobbi Wolfe  
Benton Town Clerk

***Adopted: June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015***