

Town Board Minutes February 15, 2006

Present: Councilmen Brien M. Hopkins, Richard K. Hawkins, Dennis J. Mead, and Supervisor William A. Eagan.

Absent: Councilwoman Dobson

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Telaak, Town Attorney Downey and Deputy Code Enforcement Officer Lisowski, Deputy Code Enforcement Officer Juda.

A motion was made by Councilman Hawkins and seconded by Councilman Mead to adopt the minutes of the February 13, 2006 special meeting.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to adopt the minutes of the February 1, 2006 regular meeting.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Supervisor Eagan, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills on the Abstract dated February 9, 2006 in the amount of \$43,720.77 be paid.

four (4) Ayes Carried

Received and filed letter from Assemblyman Quinn regarding an early retirement incentive.

REQUESTS FROM FLOOR

Chris Kennedy, 7879 Eddy Road asked if there was ever any consideration of putting windmills up on the East Hill.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he had not heard of any being constructed in Boston. There was word of some being installed in Sardinia and on the Bethlehem Steel site.

Chris Kennedy: Wouldn't the town benefit if they did put them in?

Supervisor Eagan: New York State has incentives for that type of power, but most of them go to those who build these windmills. Boston does not get any direct benefit from the electricity they produce. They would offer us a pilot payment in lieu of property taxes. He will refer this to the Conservation Advisory Council for consideration.

Councilman Mead stated that there would be a Conservation Advisory Council meeting Thursday, February 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Dave Brown, 7911 Lower East Hill Road asked for an update on the status of water in District #3.

Supervisor Eagan gave an update on all the Water District projects in the town and is waiting for Engineering costs to be determined. He will meet with the appropriate people and determine where the financing will come from and hopes to be able to put this project out to bid by year-end.

Dave Brown stated that he has had a drainage problem between his property and his neighbors since the county reconstructed Lower East Hill Road. He also asked if the wavy stripes would be fixed on that road.

Supervisor Eagan stated that in addition to Lower East Hill Road, other county roads in Boston also have erosion problems and nothing has been done. He is arranging with County Legislator Reynolds to tour County Roads in Boston with Highway Superintendent Telaak.

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to appoint Bruce Chamberlain to the Conservation Advisory Council term to expire 3/1/09.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to appoint Sarah K. desJardins to the Conservation Advisory Council term to expire 3/1/09.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilman Hopkins to appoint Robert Chelus to the Planning Board term to expire 2/1/13.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to approve the purchase and install a new Flow Meter for the Wohlhueter Water Storage Tank at a cost of \$3,400 with reimbursement of half from U.S. Filter Corp.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to approve the ECMC physical proposal received February 9, 2006.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Supervisor Eagan to approve the 2006 refuse licenses for Waste Management of NY, Allied Waste North America, Natural Environmental, Inc., and Modern Disposal.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilman Hopkins to allow Richard Seider from Boy Scout Troop 583 to earn his Eagle Scout Badge by cleaning up and improving the Nature Trail behind the Town Hall.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilman Mead to authorize grant writer, Connie Miner, to apply for grant funding for a Highway Salt Barn.

four (4) Ayes Carried

DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS / ACTIONS

Received and filed Monthly Reports from the Supervisor, Town Justice, Code Enforcement Officers, Dog Control Officers, and Town Engineer.

Supervisor Eagan stated that the A1 Grant application for the Real Property tax administration technology improvement program has been approved and will be used to maintain Assessment Records.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he has been working with Town Attorney Downey and New York State on issues regarding the new State Police barracks and they should be resolved soon.

A motion was made by Councilman Mead and seconded by Councilman Hawkins to accept the Town Clerk's Monthly Report for January 2006.

four (4) Ayes Carried

Town Clerk Shenk noted that 2006 Town and County Tax bills were mailed on February 13th and will be due March 15th. The Town Clerk's office will be open on Saturday, March 4th and 11th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that he felt there is no need for the town to buy a new salt storage barn.

Supervisor Eagan stated that the DEC made it very clear that there was seepage into the 18-mile creek and that we should address the issue of putting up a new salt storage barn before we are cited and fined.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that the previous problem with the salt storage barn has been fixed there in no longer any seepage going into the creek.

Supervisor Eagan stated that he would call the DEC to re-inspect the area.

A motion was made by Supervisor Eagan and seconded by Councilman Mead to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

four (4) Ayes Carried

DAVID J. SHENK, TOWN CLERK