

Town Board Minutes November 21, 2012

Present: Supervisor Martin A. Ballowe, Councilmen Jeffrey A. Genzel, Jay P. Boardway, and Lawrence A. Murtha.

Absent: Councilman Gary E. Vara.

Also Present: Town Attorney Kobiolka and Highway Superintendent Telaak.

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and seconded by Councilman Murtha to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2012 regular meeting.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Murtha and seconded by Supervisor Ballowe, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills on the Abstract dated November 15, 2012 in the amount of \$72,216.61.74 be paid.

four (4) Ayes Carried

The following persons were heard:

Anna O'Neill, 7269 Woodland Drive - Informed the Town Board of a problem with a run off causing water damage to her property and requested that someone please look into this situation and find a solution.

Councilman Murtha noted that he spoke with a representative from National Grid who stated that they were not going to do anything.

Town Attorney Kobiolka asked if Ms. O'Neill knew what caused this problem in the first place.

She noted that she was told that the culverts that diverted the water for years are now gone and is not aware of who may have removed it. This is a safety factor that needs to be looked at by this Town Board.

Town Attorney Kobiolka noted that he and Councilman Murtha would stop by her residence and look at this situation.

Cynthia Williams, Liebler Road - asked Councilman Genzel to clarify a statement made at the last Town Board meeting regarding the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance.

Councilman Genzel stated it was for a depth variance,

Cynthia Williams asked if this will increase the number of homes going in.

Councilman Genzel stated he did not believe so, but because the zoning changed in that area from when it was the Starlight Subdivision the developer tried to do a similar plan to Starlight so that it would conform to the existing homes that are there.

Kathy Praczkajlo, Member Zoning Board of Appeals noted that depth should be 175, but its 125, so the variance was for 50 feet.

A motion was made by Councilman Genzel and was seconded by Councilman Boardway to schedule a bid opening for the repairs to the waterline support structure on Keller Road over Hamptonbrook in the Town of Eden for Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 10 am.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Boardway and was seconded by Councilman Genzel to approve the Application for Use of Facility from Betty Kaiser, Boston Croppers for the following dates: 12/1/12, 1/12/13, 2/9/13, 3/9/13, 4/13/13, 5/11/13, 6/8/13, 9/14/13, 10/12/13, 11/9/13, 12/14/13.

four (4) Ayes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Genzel and was seconded by Councilman Boardway upon the recommendation of the Planning Board to approve the site plan modifications for Hamburg Overhead Door at 5659 Herman Hill Road with the following changes: to approve three (3) light stanchions instead of two (2) and six (6) fixture heads instead of four (4).

four (4) Ayes Carried

Received and filed monthly reports from the Supervisor, Dog Control and Code Enforcement Officer.

Deputy Town Clerk Martin announced the blood drive on Tuesday, December 4th from 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Community Room.

Deputy Town Clerk Martin noted that the sharing tree is up and the gift tags will be available on Monday, November 26, 2012.

Highway Superintendent Telaak reported that the Mill Street Drainage project is coming along and the entire pipe should be installed within a day or two and the paving of the road should be completed soon. There is still wood, leaves and fill available at the highway department. Leaf collection continues until it snows.

Highway Superintendent Telaak noted that the walking path was paved last Thursday. Next year there will be a cement pad and picnic table installed for the residents to use and enjoy.

Councilman Genzel as Engineering Liaison reported that the Keller Road Water line Support repair design bid opening is December 11, 2012. The Mill Street Drainage relief is well underway; the Main should be finished by Friday. The Town is still waiting for the decision for the Community Block Grant Mill Street, Phase 2 project.

Councilman Genzel as Planning Board Liaison reported the Planning Board unanimously approved the Hamburg Overhead door lighting revisions and handed out the Deanna Drive Subdivision map for the members to review.

Councilman Genzel as Christmas Lighting Liaison reported the lighting campaign is well underway. Letters to local businesses have been mailed. If you would like to contribute please send donations to the supervisor's office. Councilman Genzel noted that the Town of Boston Band's annual Christmas concert is scheduled for December 9th at 2 pm at Boston Valley Elementary School.

Councilman Boardway reported that he continues to work on the renewals of the town's insurance plans including Workman's Compensation.

Councilman Boardway noted he met with a resident regarding a National Grid issue and the cutting of trees on Powerline Road.

Councilman Boardway noted that he and the board members present met with service awards coordinator, Mark Flaherty and representatives from all three fire companies earlier this evening. Additional input was received and the fire companies will take that information back to their members. They will all meet again on January 14, 2013.

Supervisor Ballowe noted that some poles for the Christmas lighting had to be repaired and the Parks Department will begin hanging the Christmas lights next week.

Supervisor Ballowe noted that he met with the Emergency Squad to discuss their contract and things needed for the upcoming year.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ballowe and seconded by Councilman Boardway to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

four (4) Ayes Carried

JENNIFER A. MULÉ, TOWN CLERK