

York Town Board Meeting
May 10, 2012

Present: Gerald L. Deming, Supervisor, Council Members: Lynn Parnell,
Norman Gates, David Deuel and Frank Rose Jr.

Absent: None

Others: George R. Worden Jr. (Highway Superintendent) and Carl Peter (Zoning
and Code Enforcement Officer)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge
to the Flag.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to approve the
minutes of the April 26th Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-5,
No-0.

HIGHWAY

1) Projects:

Mr. Worden reported to the Board that he has the Highway Department
employees currently working at two locations. A few have been placed at the York
Road West project assisting Livingston County while others including part time
employees are on site digging with the Rt. 63 waterline project. Mr. Worden was
pleased to share with the Board that at this stage they had only 60 feet to go and
all was going well. The next phase will start at River Road and we are currently
awaiting completion of the final paperwork by our Town engineers in order to
proceed.

Per discussion, it was also noted that the Town engineering firm, Clark
Patterson Lee and land owner Robert Donnan were recently contacted by NYS Ag
& Markets regarding the ongoing activity of the water line installation on Rt. 63.
Mr. Donnan confirmed to Ag & Markets that he was well aware of the situation as
the Town of York had previously discussed this upgrade with him over the last
two years. Ag & Markets expressed concern that there may be a possibility of the
project causing ground compaction. Both Clark Patterson Lee and Mr. Donnan
did not feel that was the case and had no issue at all with the continuation of the
project. Supervisor Deming agreed, the project was to replace an already existing
line, not a new one and was pleased with Mr. Donnan's support of the project.

2) Auction:

Supervisor Deming asked if anything was being sent to the annual equipment
auction in Palmyra. It was noted that the forklift from the Town's Recycling
Center was scheduled to be auctioned off. Mr. Worden mentioned that a prior
purchase off the Federal Surplus equipment list has worked well and there was
no need for two at this time.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to classify the Recycling Center's forklift as surplus equipment. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose authorizing Highway Superintendent George Worden to attend the Palmyra Auction to view and purchase available equipment, not to exceed \$20,000. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

* Mr. Worden will use his discretion and look for the possibility of purchasing a truck similar to the one previously discussed.

WATER/SEWER

1) Pickup truck:

At April 26th meeting, the Town Board and Mr. McCracken discussed the recent bids for a pickup truck. A bid was awarded per resolution to Wentworth Motors Inc. at that time. Due to a time constraint Wentworth Motors was unable to supply the Town of York according to bid specifications. For that reason...

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to reject all bids for the 1/2 ton, 4 wheel drive pickup truck w/towing package. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0

2) Pump house:

Mr. Worden shared with the Board that there was a malfunction recently at the pump house adjacent to the Water & Sewer plant. Last time an incident such as this happened, it became costly as a switch needed to be replaced. It was determined when the power goes out we have to manually correct it. It was discussed that Mr. Worden speak with local electrician Pete Scondras for a quote, and one from Cummings North East, in order to solve the issue at hand.

3) NYSDEC Permit:

Supervisor Deming reported the SPEDES Permit is still not completed, but Town Engineers are continuing to work on the necessary paperwork required.

4) Funding:

Supervisor Deming also mentioned that we will be reapplying for funding for the Reed Bed System and improvements to the Retsof Sewer District to offset costs for these future projects.

5) Excavator Bid Opening:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Rose and seconded by Mr. Deuel to accept the base bid submitted by Vantage Equipment LLC in the amount of \$64,460.00 with additions of \$5,985.00 (grading bucket) and \$990.00 (warranty). With a total cost of \$71,435.00 being divided between the Towns of Geneseo and York, per

Shared Service Agreement. (**Town of York portion-\$ 35,717.50**). Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

6) Tank update:

Mr. Worden updated the Board regarding the status of the tank. It is not currently ready. Testing for THM's will be done next week, and to date there is no electrical service into the tank. In addition, the Solar Bee has yet to be installed. Approval will be given upon inspections from Clark Patterson Lee.

Mr. Worden also expressed to the Board that the nearest neighbor has been wonderful regarding the equipment associated with the project. Any restoration work necessary to their lawn due to the project will be taken care of by the Town at our expense.

7) Brush cleanup:

Town wide brush pick up has been advertised for the past 2 weeks in the Genesee Valley Penney Saver letting residents know of the one day only curbside pick up on Monday, May 14th.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Open Space Committee:

Councilman Deuel expressed to the Board that the committee would like to have speakers come to the Town Hall for a seminar to discuss what is currently in the works regarding Gas Leasing Rights. It was mentioned that we may want to invite our neighboring Towns to participate. Supervisor Deming asked Mr. Deuel to verify interest with others such as Caledonia, Avon and Pavilion, with each Town notifying their own residents regarding their existing leases. Mr. Deuel will inform the Board once a date and time has been scheduled.

OTHER

1) Viewshed discussion:

Piffard resident John Vitale contacted the Town Hall to see if his 18 acres are a part of the viewshed designation. Clerk Harris explained to Mr. Vitale that to date the Board has not approved any official designation but suggested for further information on the subject he should speak with Councilmember Deuel for specifics.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Water rates:

Supervisor Deming received a letter from the Village of Geneseo notifying us of the upcoming rate increase, effective with their August billing cycle. Rates will be increased by \$.20 per hundred cubic feet, which is roughly a 5% increase to us.

Supervisor Deming stated he wished to table this discussion until next meeting in order to contact the Town's accounting firm, Baldwin Business Services for advisement on our rates and status of our balances.

2) Water discussion:

Supervisor Deming spoke with Rick Henry last week about ongoing water discussions with the Town of Pavilion. Monroe County Water Authority has been asked to prepare information for Pavilion for the possibility of a future connection. Mr. Deming commented if such connection can occur the Town of York would certainly be open to additional options for water supply.

Mr. Worden agreed having a second source of water allows options for the Linwood area in need. We could continue with the Village of Geneseo for portions of our existing system and use the Pavilion/Monroe County Water Authority line for other areas. Mr. Worden added as discussed earlier in the meeting, we will be experiencing another water rate increase from Geneseo shortly, so purchasing from another supplier might be beneficial.

The Board briefly discussed the 2011 Annual Water Supply Report and the lost water documentation for the past few years. The Town of York has experienced a gradual decline in lost water, while the Village of Geneseo has increased. The last three years are as follows:

	<u>Village</u>	<u>Town of York</u>
2009	4%	12.5%
2010	14%	11%
2011	24%	7%

The Board commented perhaps the upcoming water rate increase may be due to their ongoing leak issues and added, thankfully we were able to decipher our issues and hope the Village will be able to do the same.

OTHER

1) Farm Meeting:

Supervisor Deming informed the Board that the farm community session with Congresswoman Kathy Hochul and Senator Patrick Gallivan on Friday, May 4th went well. Questions were barely underway when the Congresswoman excused herself from the meeting, but Senator Gallivan stayed, along with his aids and answered all remaining questions.

2) Town Attorney:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Rose to retain James W. Campbell Jr. of Kruk and Campbell as Town of York Attorney. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

General Fund Claim	# 125-143	\$ 9,061.46
Joint Water & Sewer	# 117-130	\$ 293,465.59
Street Lights	# 4	\$ 1,518.76
Highway Fund Claim	# 89-101	\$ 10,231.14

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until May 24th. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk