# York Town Board Meeting May 22, 2014

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

Absent: David Deuel

Others: George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt.), Carl Peter (Zoning & Code Officer) and

Dustin Geiger (York Fire Department)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. and invited Mr. Worden to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **MINUTES**

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the minutes of the May 8<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

#### **HIGHWAY**

Mr. Worden reported several of the cemeteries have been mowed and trimmed a few times already this season due to all of the rainfall. With upcoming Memorial Day, we wanted each of the cemeteries to look their best.

Mr. Worden stated all flags are up for Memorial Day and brush pickup has been completed as well. Mr. Worden commented it worked out very well that we began the cleanup process early, obtaining a good portion of the brush prior to the May 19<sup>th</sup> start date. Mr. Worden added he spoke with a company recently about grinding the pile at the recycling center. The company is willing to grind the large pile at no charge if able to receive the mulch pieces. The Board agreed if we are able to rid the center of the material, we should probably follow through until we are able to purchase a chipper ourselves. Mr. Worden commented another chipper may be available, by way of Auctions International. The chipper is located in Prattsburg and the current bid is \$3,800. The unit is able to chip 8 x 12 pieces at a time, but does have a 10% buyer's premium. The Board agreed to authorize Mr. Worden to bid on this unit.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose authorizing Highway Superintendent, Mr. Worden permission to bid on one (1) chipper through Auctions International, amount not to exceed \$9,000.00. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Mr. Worden stated due to heavy rainfall we encountered last week, drainage pipes were at maximum capacity, with several needing to be cleaned out. One pipe was replaced on McVean Road last Friday near the Orologio property. Everything is now flowing well once again.

Mr. Worden informed the Board with the continued absence of Frank Burger and temporary absence of part-time help, John Smith (until Monday), the Highway

Department's manpower has been depleted. Mr. Worden stated he will probably need additional part-time assistance for the summer months.

# WATER/SEWER

Mr. Worden reported a water issue recently appeared at the Fennell property located on Genesee Street. Clerk Harris received a call from Mr. Fennell Wednesday morning, where he expressed issues with water not able to drain from the cellar area to his front ditch. After review from the Water Department it was determined that Mr. Fennell's sump pump drain was crushed, not allowing water to flow through. Mr. Worden stated the drain was probably crushed when the watermain replacement project was done, so he contacted Steve Morsch to assist with the solution. Mr. Morsch was onsite this morning to dig the area, with the Water Department installing new drainage pipe and fittings to correct the matter. The process was a smooth one and we will be conducting restoration shortly.

Mr. Worden informed the Board that he met with Clark Patterson Lee recently to discuss the upcoming Wadsworth watermain replacement project. The Engineers are now preparing a design for the area along with a punch list.

Mr. Worden stated he inquired also about the Linwood water project as well. He previously asked if a 4 inch line would be sufficient for water, but has yet to receive an answer.

Mr. Worden also brought the Board up to date on a matter that took place last Friday morning on Tenth Street in Retsof. Due to excessive rainfall, saturated leach fields and an obstruction, our pipes had a difficult time handling the large amounts of water, ultimately needing the sewer jet. Even with the jet and our snake the pipes were hard to unclog. Mr. Worden commented the sewer plant was running at maximum capacity, but was able to withstand the rain.

Mr. Worden added when the Highway Superintendents met previously with our representatives including FEMA personnel, it was conveyed to them the need for funding to assist municipalities with sewer and storm sewer issues. FEMA stated towns may be able to obtain funding to upgrade existing infrastructure up to \$ 132,000. Mr. Worden stated he will continue to keep the Board updated as information becomes available.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1) York Fire Department

A- New Members:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Rose approving the following individuals for membership to the York Fire Department:

Riley Andrews Austin Curry Ryan Reynolds

Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

# 2) York Valley Fest:

Mrs. Parnell updated the Board on the latest information pertaining to this year's York Valley Fest. The July 26<sup>th</sup> event will begin at 10:00 am, but for the first time, a 5K walk/run will start at 8:00 am. For families wanting to participate, a shorter route will take place beginning at the Valley Fest site, down York Road East to Short Street, over to Chestnut and back to Main Street to the grounds once again. For other participants the 5k walk/run will go from the festival grounds up York Road West-down Limerick Road and then return back the same route. Supervisor Deming confirmed the Sheriff's Department once again, stating they have received all details for the day. Mrs. Parnell added all proceeds for the 5K will benefit "Going to the Dogs".

Mrs. Parnell stated another meeting of the committee has been scheduled for Wednesday evening, and informed the Board that the Valley Fest will have a vehicle in the fireman's parade, June  $6^{th}$ .

# **BILLS**

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-o.

General Fund Claim	# 162-171	\$ 7,810.35
Joint Water & Sewer	# 122-127	\$ 1,605.88
Youth Fund Claim	# 6	\$ 85.00
Highway Fund Claim	# 100-106	\$ 4,167.49

#### ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until June 12<sup>th</sup>. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk