

York Town Board Meeting
July 23, 2015

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

Others: George Worden (Highway Supt) Larry Lacy, Chris Ward, Pat Gardner and Carl Peter

Absent: Frank Rose Jr.

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:30pm and invited Mrs. Parnell to lead with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Kirk Richenberg arrived at 7:32pm

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mr. Gates to approve the minutes of the July 9th, 2015 Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

HIGHWAY

Supervisor Deming asked Mr. Worden for an update within his department. Supt. Worden stated to the Board that his employees continue to mow which seems to be never ending as well as fixing shoulders, replacing pipe and correcting erosion problems. In addition, Mr. Worden mentioned that our Highway Department has been offering assistance to other Towns in the area.

Mr. Frank Rose Jr. arrived at 7:35pm

WATER/SEWER

Mr. Worden noted that despite the warm dry spell being a nice change from the rain, the heat continues to affect the sewer pumps creating an electrical issue. It appears that the demand for power occurs mainly after midnight and we will be looking to put safety devices in place in order to avoid there being an issue of pumps/equipment constantly running or burning out when temperatures are high.

Mr. Worden reported that the pipe for Tenth Street sewer project in Retsof has been ordered and will let the Board know when it has arrived. Also mentioned was that a recent water test submitted for routine sampling that tested positive but upon required re sampling was found to be negative. Mr. Worden provided a number of variables that could have resulted in a positive read with possibilities being contamination in the sampling process or lab error. However, everything is fine and there is no need for any further required sampling.

In his report, Mr. Worden let the Board know that Water/Sewer employees recently attended training class and learned of a new mandatory reporting system

that we will need to adhere to put in to effect by DEC and NYS. Supt Worden said that the computer used for the reports will need to be updated and did provide the Board with a quote from Dell for an upgrade. Supervisor Deming suggested that we check with Hurricane Technologies before any purchases are made. Mr. Worden talked about the ongoing phone/computer issues often encountered at the Water/Sewer office as their equipment does not always work when needed.

Lastly, Supt Worden explained to the Board that Omni system we currently contract with for sewer pump station alarms has suggested purchasing updates that are compatible to our existing system. Mr. Worden would rather see a dialer installed on the pumps and eliminate the Omni system as it has too many functions that are not necessary for our needs. Stating that we have had good luck with the dialers and they do the job the intended to do while alerting us when a situation arises. Mr. Deuel inquired as to price for the installation of a new dialer and Mr. Worden did say that with the electrical cost factored in, it would be in the neighborhood of \$1,200.00.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Rose for Mr. Worden to purchase a dialer for the sewer pump stations not to exceed \$1,200.00.
Voted on and approved, yes- 5, No- 0

In addition, Mr. Worden wanted to also mention that he had spoken to resident Mario Dragani regarding an ongoing sewer issue at his home at 2573 Main Street. Through the years this has been a reoccurring problem and we will be digging it up to do the repair just as soon as time and weather allows.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Deming reported on the status of the Linwood Road water surveys. To date, 47 of the 60 residences have returned surveys resulting in 24 asking to proceed and 23 that declined wanting the Town to move forward with the project. George Worden asked if maybe we should look at them further to see if there could be a possibility of categorizing them geographically based on need/want. Supervisor Deming reminded the group that the surveys were done on an anonymous basis therefore it would be difficult and time consuming to re send to various areas. The Supervisor said that the current surveys would be sent to Rick Henry at Clark Patterson Lee, the Town's engineering firm to review and discuss with the Board as to what the next step would be.

Supervisor Deming asked Code Enforcement Officer Carl Peter about the status of several vacant homes within the Town that are in need of lawn mowing. Mr. Peter stated that letters have been written and sent to homeowners/mortgage companies in an effort to address the issue. The Supervisor reiterated again that he would like to see the lawns maintained as this is long overdue. Supt Worden offered to have his department mow and asked where to send the bill to for those services. Mr. Deming instructed him to record the lawns that his department mows and submit the bill to Town Clerk/Tax Collector Chris Harris as she will put the appropriate charges on the home owner's property tax bill for January.

NEW BUSINESS

Town resident Pat Gardner, a representative from the Impact Research Group provided the Board with the following update:

Impact Research Group Update

- 7/9/15: Dave Nagel presented Land, Natural Resources & Waste Management subcommittee preliminary report to the York Town Board
- 7/11/15: Regular IRG meeting with 5 people attending

There was a discussion about whether to continue the group with the State Ban in place. The consensus was:

- a) one of the goals in the mission statement was to make recommendations for the betterment of the town;
- b) to promote the town;
- c) no one can guess the future or what a change in administration could mean.

Decision: the group will continue

- 7/14/15: Dave gave a preliminary report to the York Planning Board and also plans on presenting to the School Board pertaining to truck traffic
- 7/25/15: The group is hoping to set up at the Valley Fest for information sharing.
- 8/15/15: Our next regular meeting.

We hope to continue presenting other preliminary reports and also to schedule a public workshop in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Gardner
7/23/15

Mrs. Gardner took a few moments to address the information that was noted in her hand out and asked Supervisor Deming if the Town had received any previous meeting minutes. Mr. Deming replied that we had not, Mrs. Gardner agreed that she had not either. Supervisor Deming thanked Mrs. Gardner for taking the time to present her report to the Board.

BILLS

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

• General Fund Claim	#223-236	\$ 8,811.27
• Joint Water & Sewer	#172-181	\$ 5,848.68
• Youth Fund Claim	#14-15	\$ 585.00
• Highway Fund Claim	#137-143	\$ 4,418.75

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Rose and seconded by Mr. Gates to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until August 6th, 2015. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A Barefoot,
Deputy Town Clerk