

York Town Board Meeting
May 12, 2016

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Councilmen: Amos Smith, Norman Gates and Frank Rose Jr.

Absent: Lynn Parnell

Others: Henry Fuller, Kirk Richenberg, Rose and John Mader, Brenda and Ray White, Davies Nagel, Harold Wolcott, Barbara and Jerry Ayers, Eric Wies (Engineer, Clark Patterson Lee) and Paul MacLean

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:32 p.m. and invited Clerk Harris to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of the April 14th regular Town Board Meeting and May 5th Special Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

** In Mr. Worden's absence, no Highway or Water/Sewer report was provided to the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

(1) Livingston County Planning Board:

Supervisor Deming stated that the Board discussed at the April 14th meeting correspondence pertaining to a Livingston County Planning Board Referral Exemption Agreement. Mr. Deming commented he feels all Town referrals should be sent to the County for input. Councilman Smith stated, Attorney Campbell recommended that the Board consider the agreement, ultimately feeling it may not be necessary to send all matters to them for review. Supervisor Deming added, the majority of proposed actions already go to the County at this time. Councilman Smith stated in the correspondence they outlined in the brochure a list of potential review topics to choose from to send to the County rather than all matters. Councilman Rose asked if the County is used strictly in an advisory role for such referrals, which Supervisor Deming replied they are. The County reviews the material and makes a recommendation to the Town Board, but the Board may or may not accept the recommendation. Mr. Smith commented this method may be a time saving measure. Councilman Gates asked how long does it usually take for the County to respond, how often do they meet? Supervisor Deming replied County Planning meets once per month. Mr. Gates commented he feels we should not make people (applicants) wait if it is not necessary.

Supervisor Deming stated after the comments this evening, we will table this decision until he has an opportunity to obtain a recommendation from the Town Planning Board, whom seek the majority of the referrals.

(2) Green Burial follow up:

Clerk Harris brought up once again the request made from a resident regarding the potential for a green burial. Mr. Mader asked, What is a green burial, which Clerk Harris read aloud a description previously prepared:

A green burial is in essence returning one's remains to the earth as directly and simply as possible, which avoids embalming, metal caskets and burial vaults. Green burials involve covering the body in cloth shrouds or in simple coffins made from cardboard or plentiful softwoods, like pine. Bodies are then laid in vault free graves, some in "natural cemeteries" and others on one's private rural property. Headstones may be used or remembrance shrubs and trees may be planted instead to mark the area.

The Board briefly discussed whether or not these burials can take place. Clerk Harris reminded them that New York State does allow such burials, but it is up to the individual town to determine if they will allow them with stipulations or certain parameters, or not at all. Mr. Richenberg questioned if we could run into discrimination with setting stipulations, and added there should be some form of disclosure involved. Clerk Harris stated under our existing zoning regulations, the Town does not currently have any regulations in place regarding these burials. Ms. Harris added she does not anticipate a large number of requests for green burials, but we did receive a request from a town resident that must be resolved one way or another. Supervisor Deming asked if the Board was to adopt such regulations would this have to be done as a Local Law, which Clerk Harris responded it does. Mr. Mader commented the need to protect the potential new buyer of the property. Clerk Harris replied she agrees, and after speaking with Cindy Craig from the New York State Division of Cemeteries, Ms. Craig offered several helpful suggestions on how to proceed if the Board decides to do so. A few suggested tips were: to clearly mark a burial site no less than 100 feet from a dwelling or water source and most importantly denote such burial site on the official deed for future reference.

Ms. Harris concluded to the Board this type of burial is not for everyone, but we did receive a request that must be addressed.

(3) Bernecker request:

Supervisor Deming reported at the last meeting the Berneckers requested of the Board to consider re-zoning the property they own on Retsof road to Hamlet Residential, by way of a Local Law. After further discussion with the Town Attorney, Mr. Campbell informed Mr. Deming that he does not legally advise the Board to proceed with this request. Supervisor Deming conveyed that Mr. Campbell felt since the property is not located immediately adjacent to a Hamlet Residential Zone, to now re-zone would likely be interpreted by a court as "spot zoning". Mr. Deming stated with this determination, he also feels we should not proceed, which the Board agreed. Councilman Gates questioned whether or not the property can be sold as Ag land and then split thereafter. Supervisor Deming replied it is currently zoned agricultural, and once sold if land was to be divided, it would create 2 undersized lots in an agricultural zone.

Supervisor Deming stated he spoke with Mr. Bernecker about the Attorney's recommendation, and the potential for the board not to proceed. He will contact him once again to confirm that no action will be taking place on change in zoning.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Public Hearing:

Supervisor Deming reminded the Board at 8:00 p.m. this evening we will open the Public Hearing to receive comment on the District Formation of the Cheese Sanitary Sewer District.

2) Water rate increase:

Supervisor Deming reported to the Board that we recently received correspondence from the Village of Geneseo informing us that they have approved an across-the-board increase in water rates of \$.10 per hundred cubic feet, for 2016-2017. The increase will be reflected in the August billing to the Town, but our residents will not incur the increase until the October billing cycle.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

1) Kirk Richenberg:

Mr. Richenberg commented at the last meeting he had asked questions in regards to review of necessary mapping for the project, and was told by Councilman Smith that at these meetings he causes a ruckus. Mr. Richenberg wanted to remind Mr. Smith of the United States Constitution. He believes as a member of the Town Board he has to represent all people, and as a true town representative, he needs to listen to all before casting a vote.

Mr. Richenberg asked Councilman Smith if his farm is one of the partners in this project, which Mr. Smith responded Yes, in Craig Station Creamery. Mr. Richenberg then questioned if they were part of DFA (Dairy Farmers of America), which again Mr. Smith replied they were. Mr. Richenberg stated to the Board the reported net income for DFA in 2015, at \$94.1 million. Mr. Richenberg asked Councilman Smith, based on his association, will he recuse himself from any and all future decisions pertaining to this project. Councilman Smith stated he was elected to make decisions on behalf of this community, and feels it is not a conflict. Mr. Richenberg commented he feels it is a conflict knowing that his farm will financially gain. Councilman Smith stated they are business partners, but also feel a partnership to this community to do the best job possible and make proper decisions and commented he does not believe he has to abstain on decisions pertaining to the cheese plant. Supervisor Deming added, many issues come before the Town Board and if we had to have 1 or more members abstain, no decisions would be made. Mr. Richenberg commented he understands that, but doesn't agree that Mr. Smith doesn't have a conflict in this situation, especially when he will benefit substantially.

Mr. Richenberg questioned with the clearing taking place on Flats Road, is that on private property or in the town right of way. Supervisor Deming answered the trees being removed are not in the right of way. Mr. Richenberg asked if that work is being done on private property, why was the Water Department on site? Supervisor Deming replied he is not sure why the department was in the area. Councilman Smith responded due to tree roots, the department was probably making sure the water line was not affected when Donnan's uprooted the trees. Mr. Deming stated he will check with the water department in the morning to confirm. Mr. Richenberg commented he is not in agreement with all of the clearing being done.

Mr. Richenberg asked about the status of the brush pile at the recycling center, noting the Board's intention at one time to chip it. Supervisor Deming responded we did discuss chipping the pile, but after hearing prices, decided on another avenue, hauling from the location being the cheaper route. Mr. Deming stated Mark Cole has been contracted to haul the brush away, at \$300 per truck load. We anticipate approximately 10-15 loads being removed from the recycling center. Supervisor Deming added that the cost involved for removal will be taken from the recycling center line item. Mr. Richenberg asked if grinders were feasible, which Mr. Deming replied they are not, tub grinders were too expensive and we did not have anyone to operate them.

2) Henry Fuller:

Mr. Fuller submitted a print out for the Board to review stating that he wants the Board to be aware there is plenty of money to go around outside of this county, and also commented on DFA's net income at 94.1 million in 2015.

Mr. Fuller added he too feels Councilman Smith has a conflict with this project. A relative of Mr. Smith (John Noble) happens to be affiliated with a County Department, ultimately part of deciding about grant funding and abatements.

Mr. Fuller commented he understands the town "cutting a deal". He went to the County Planning Department, Livingston County IDA and Board of Supervisors, each receiving a different answer on the project. This is our tax money.

Supervisor Deming responded taxpayer money is State money, and if we don't apply for it, someone else within the state will. While money is available, we will apply, and feels he would certainly like us to receive it instead of another location.

Mr. Fuller commented DFA (Dairy Farmer's of America) do not have a good record in Western New York.

Mr. Mader interjected, DFA purchased the building in Batavia and will be doing something with it shortly. We don't know what that will be, but they have plans for it. Mr. Fuller stated if all of that infrastructure is already there, why not use it for the cheese plant. Mr. Mader replied DFA has other plans for the building. Supervisor Deming stated if the plant does not happen here, it won't be in New York State at all, and added in his opinion DFA looks like they run their business very well.

Mr. Fuller stated once again Mr. Smith definitely needs to remove himself from this matter, it is a conflict.

Mr. Fuller asked how the Town Board can vote on the new sanitation line if it's a private line with only one user, and others can't connect. Mr. Fuller commented the town will be involved before ownership. Supervisor Deming replied DFA is paying Clark Patterson Lee for their engineering services, the Town is not. Mr. Fuller answered he feels because Clark Patterson is the Town's engineers, it becomes a further conflict. Mr. Fuller addressed engineering issues that took place in Springwater and asked that the Board contact them for further details. Engineer, Eric Wies responded Clark Patterson was not involved in Springwater, it was another engineering firm.



DFA Reports Net Income of \$94 Million in 2015

More than 1,500 members and guests gathered in Kansas City for the Dairy Farmers of America 18th Annual Meeting last month.

This year's meeting theme – Dairy Reimagined – looked at how, from the farm to the dairy case, the possibilities are limitless for the dairy industry.

"By reimagining dairy, we can create opportunities for the next generation of our dairy farmer-owners, and for consumers," said Randy Mooney, chairman of DFA's Board of Directors. "As a cooperative, we must continue to focus on providing high-quality nutritious milk for consumers, while also thinking differently about how we do things in order to develop, produce and market products that are relevant to today's ever-changing lifestyles."

The meeting kicked off with the chairman's report, delivered by Mooney, who also serves as chairman of National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF). He talked about how the cooperative can rethink the possibilities for dairy in various ways that will benefit DFA's farmer-owners.

Business Update

President and CEO Rick Smith delivered an overview of DFA's business. His presentation highlighted DFA's financials for 2015 and provided insight on how DFA will continue to strengthen the cooperative's core milk marketing business while also growing its commercial business in an effort to better serve and provide value to members.

"As a member-focused cooperative owned by dairy farmers, we are always working to strengthen and evolve our business so that we can continue to provide value to members," said Smith. "We do this by seeking out new opportunities, focusing on innovation, and making decisions today for the cooperative we want to be in the future."

Officials reported a net income of \$94.1 million, compared to \$43.1 million for

2014. The increase was attributable to strong performances from DFA's commercial operations and affiliates, as unit sales were up and margins improved.

DFA's net sales totaled \$13.8 billion for 2015, compared to \$17.9 billion in 2014. This decrease is primarily a result of lower milk prices. The all U.S. milk price averaged \$17.08 per cwt in 2015 compared with \$23.97 in 2014.

"Providing value to our dairy-farmer members is the focus for everything that we do at DFA," said Rick Smith, president and chief executive officer. "In 2015, we had a successful year and took strong action to support key strategic initiatives — most notably in the areas of assuring supply chain integrity, growing our commercial businesses and driving performance through innovation."

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In 2015, DFA directed the marketing of 62 billion lbs. of milk for both members and others. This represented approximately 30% of the total milk production in the United States. The average 2015 price paid to members per cwt of milk was \$17.18 compared with \$24.17 in 2014.

Cash distributed to members in 2015 totaled \$35 million compared to \$28 million in 2014. In 2015, members received

\$20 million in equity retirements and \$15 million of allocated patronage dividends.

In 2015, DFA expanded its commercial investments by acquiring the remaining ownership interest in DairyConcepts, an innovative cheese and dairy manufacturer, which it previously invested in as a joint venture partner. DairyConcepts plays a key role in DFA's strategy to further grow its ingredients division and extend its global marketing outreach. Additionally, DFA broke ground on a new dairy ingredients plant in Garden City, KS. The state-of-the-art plant will produce whole, skim and non-fat dry milk powders, as well as cream, and is a partnership between DFA and a group of member farms in Southwest Kansas.

Finally, for the first time in the cooperative's history, DFA launched a new brand and product from scratch. Live Real Farms Energy Drink incorporates the nutrition of dairy into an innovative product geared toward millennial families.

Other Meeting Highlights

Special guests and additional highlights of the meeting program included:

- An outlook on the U.S. and global economy from Bob Engel, CEO of CoBank
- Christine Cashen, motivational speaker, author and America's "top humorist," shared thoughts on sparking innovative ideas, handling conflict, reducing stress and getting energized
- An update on NMPF's work for the dairy industry by Jim Mulhern, president and chief executive officer
- An overview of dairy promotion activities by Tom Gallagher, CEO of Dairy Management Inc.

The cooperative's annual banquet brought a host of recognitions, including the 2016 Members of Distinction. Every year, family members at one farm from each of DFA's seven regions are recognized for service to their dairy, their families,

communities and the industry.

Those Members of Distinction for 2016 are:

- Hanke family, Hanke Farms, Inc., Sheboygan, WI
- Thomas family, Thomas Farms of Stark County, Louisville, OH
- Ketterling family, TLK Dairy, Mountain Home, ID
- Robbins family, North Harbor Dairy, Sackets Harbor, NY
- Coble family, Harmony Grove Dairy, Waynesboro, GA
- Wolf family, Scot-Tex Dairy, Scotland, TX

- Alderson family, Alderson Family Dairy, Gerber, CA

In addition, outgoing Board Directors Ralph McNall, of Fairfax, VT, and Joyce Bupp, of Seven Valleys, PA, were recognized for their contributions to DFA.

Winners of the 2016 DFA Cares Foundation Scholarships were announced at the banquet. DFA Cares Scholarships are awarded to outstanding students pursuing a career in the dairy industry. This year, 40 recipients will receive a combined total of \$49,500 toward their undergraduate and graduate level studies.

Graduating High School Seniors

- Ashley Anhalt, Manitowoc, WI
- Brittany Boitnott, Boones Mill, VA
- Mikala Fletcher, Purdy, MO
- Allissa Frisle, Prairie Farm, WI
- Laurs Greven, Syracuse, KS
- Dawn Klabenos, Chambers, NE
- Travis Koester, Wadesville, IN
- Carley Krull, Lake Mills, WI
- Sebastian Loozen, Marshall, MI
- Katelynn Palmer, Preston, ID
- Samantha Poldervaart, Orland, CA
- Ronald Schaap, Clovis, NM
- Michael Schmenik, Leipsic, OH
- Nicole Schommer, Belgium, WI
- Erin Will, Poseyville, IN

College Undergraduate Students

- Sabrina Clark, Reading, PA
- Holly Cornelius, Easton, MO
- Shand Hardy, Brigham City, UT
- Cassandra Kiechle, Philadelphia, NY
- Taylor Leach, Stillwater, OK
- Tyler Marotz, Lincoln, NE
- Maggie Mills, Lake City, MN
- Ryan Nelson, Washington, KS
- Tiffany Pheasant, Williamsburg, PA
- Sabrina Portner, Ames, IA

- Anna Schmenik, Leipsic, OH
- Tracy Schmitz, Axtell, KS
- Tricia Schmitz, Axtell, KS
- Shelby Smith, Comer, GA
- Katie Sondericker, Attica, NY
- Danielle Varner, Shirleysburg, PA
- Abby Wolf, College Station, TX
- Dakota Zapalac, La Grange, TX

Graduate Students

- Ishwary Acharya, Brookings, SD

- Matthew Borchers, Lewistown, OH
- Allison Culp, Nappanee, IN
- Ashley Hager, Chemung, NY
- Amy McBitney, Morgan Hill, CA
- Carter Wallinger, Columbus, OH

The annual meeting concluded with the resolutions process, which brought together more than 250 elected delegates from across the nation to vote on a slate of issues that guide the policy position and business activities of DFA for the coming year. *

8:00 p.m. – Supervisor Deming opened the Public Hearing at 8:02 p.m.

Engineer, Eric Wies gave a brief overview of the proposed District Formation of the Town of York WNY Cheese Sanitary Sewer District.

The proposed district is a single parcel sewer district, which 15,000 LF of piping and pump station will be paid for by the developer, located on Craig Road. The proposed district will be required by the Board to allow the proposed cheese plant to discharge wastewater to the town sewer system. The developer will be required to construct a pre-treatment facility, pre-treating wastewater to the typical residential standards. The facility would be designed, operated and maintained by the developer. The proposed volume discharge is expected to be up to 250,000 gallons per day. The current discharge at the plant to date is approximately 150,000 gallons per day. Proposed costs related to the upgrade of the Retsof Wastewater Treatment Facility will be paid for by the developer directly, up to \$7 million.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mr. Wolcott: Do you anticipate going over 7 million for upgrades?

Mr. Wies responded we do not believe upgrades will exceed that amount.

Mr. Fuller: Anyone familiar with what happened in Avon 30 years ago and the issues they had with butter fat, Kraft ended up putting in their own sewer system.

Mr. Wies replied we have covered that, an Industrial Permit will be required to comply with, similar with what we have to comply with for DEC.

Mr. Fuller: When the project is completed and running, will there be a Performance Bond?

Mr. Wies answered there will be a written agreement with this parcel(developer) to cover expenses if doors should close, they would still be required to pay.

Mr. Richenberg: How is it financed?, please explain?

Supervisor Deming replied it will be financed with Bonds through the Town of York. The Town will go through Bond Counsel, check rates and then payments will be borne by the Cheese Facility.

Mr. Richenberg: They are willing to pay 7 million, but the bonding will be through the Town of York?

Supervisor Deming replied, Yes, Bonding will be through the Town.

Mr. Richenberg: With the Bonding through the Town, the town rating is being used to benefit a private firm, why not borrow from a bank?

Supervisor Deming answered that the deal has been structured that way, although we don't believe we will need to borrow for upgrades.

Mr. Wies added if they pre-treat as we have discussed, no additions to the wastewater treatment facility will take place. Only if levels are above residential standards will upgrades need to be done and at that point, will be paid for by the developer.

Mr. Richenberg: This was proposed by 1 single user, designed and paid for by that single user, but they are using the Town's public ability either through grants or loans to pay?

Mr. Wies replied this is the same process like many other districts the Town Board has financed for the Town.

Mr. Richenberg: This is not like other projects, this is only for 1 parcel, no other user will benefit.

Supervisor Deming replied although there is only 1 user proposed, the Town will benefit by way of O & M (Operation & Maintenance) charges to the developer.

Mr. Wies added the revenue generated for the discharge will far exceed the cost to treat. The plant will need upgrades in the future, that money will help pay for it.

Mr. Fuller: Where does the revenues end up?

Supervisor Deming stated revenues generated in a specific district, stay in that given district for all upcoming projects or repairs.

Mr. Richenberg: Supervisor Deming recommended Clark Patterson Lee, how are the lines being separated?

Supervisor Deming replied Clark Patterson Lee was recommended for this project, but has to adhere to all town specifications. The cheese plant hired and pays them directly.

Mr. Richenberg: At the March meeting expenditures up to \$5,000.00 was approved, any money spent so far?

Supervisor Deming answered no money has been spent thus far.

Mr. Richenberg: The Town had a SEQR meeting last week to review the project and stated the intention to apply for grant funding, now more state money is being asked for?

Supervisor Deming replied we are seeking funding, anytime money is available we will apply for it.

Mr. Richenberg: How is funding money kept separate?

Mr. Mader interjected, commenting how bad they need municipal water and asked Mr. Richenberg if he had town water.

Mr. Richenberg replied he did not have it, choosing not to connect when the line was installed, stating it was poorly designed and had no pressure.

Supervisor Deming commented Mr. Richenberg had the opportunity to connect but chose not to. When it was designed years ago, people in the area knew upfront that pressure would be less, but wanted the Town to proceed because they needed water.

Mr. Richenberg commented the water line did not stop before his property because Mr. Deming promised it to a home further down. Supervisor Deming replied many residents expressed the need for water and stated he does not have that kind of power to pick and choose areas.

Mr. Richenberg: Has anyone from our department looked into the difficulties of treatment of discharge?

Supervisor Deming replied we did meet with the water/sewer department to discuss the project and review plans.

Mr. Richenberg: Have our operators conferred with others whom have been through it to see what to expect?

Supervisor Deming answered he does not know if the department has contacted others.

Mr. Richenberg: Will there be a change in odor at our facility?

Supervisor Deming stated there should not be an odor change

Mr. Fuller: If the cheese plant “folds” after we receive the sewer line, we wouldn’t get any money and how many more can connect?

Supervisor Deming answered three additional can connect to the line, and any expense will be incurred by the cheese plant, under the written agreement. Mr. Wies added, any debt to the plant would have to be paid off.

Mr. Fuller: It seems evident that no more will be added to that line.

Supervisor Deming replied we don’t anticipate additional due to agricultural area and not wanting to remove more land.

Mr. Wolcott: How much discharge is proposed for the cheese plant, and what is our current discharge now?

Mr. Wies answered the plant proposes up to 250,000 gallons per day, and our current discharge at the treatment plant today is 150,000 gallons per day.

Mr. Wolcott: Is the extra revenue (\$360.00 per year) to help pay for wear and tear?

Supervisor Deming replied the amount is the cost to the property per year and will be used for all purposes sewer related.

Mr. Fuller: Will this expand the plant?

Supervisor Deming answered No, it will not expand the plant at this time.

Mr. Richenberg: Isn’t it a law that if a sewer line is in front of your property you have to connect and pay the debt amount?

Mr. Wies replied no, not if there is only one user to the line in this district.

Mr. Richenberg: Once it has been deeded to the Town, then residents pay?

Mr. Wies answered other residents in the area would have to petition the Town to be part of the sewer district in order to receive services, and then pay accordingly.

Mr. Fuller: Are our water/sewer operators certified to make determinations?

Supervisor Deming replied Yes, both operators have their necessary licenses and are fully certified.

Mr. Richenberg: How does prevailing wage apply to this project?

Mr. Wies answered it doesn't for the developer's portion to do the force main and pump station, but for the public \$7 million, it will be through prevailing wage.

Mr. Richenberg: If it is financed through the Town of York and we are over the 7 million? Supervisor Deming replied if over 7 million we would have to finance plant upgrades, with the developer paying for it. We do not believe we will need to finance though.

Mr. Richenberg: Why schedule a Public Hearing if financing may not be needed?

Mr. Wies answered the hearing was scheduled in the event we had to increase the sewer plant, we would have money available.

Mr. Richenberg: Comment - seems to be a lot of confusion between private and public.

Councilman Rose commented he feels in essence the 7 million is a "safety net" of sorts.

Mr. Wolcott: What are the initial costs the developer is spending?

Mr. Wies replied the developer will be spending roughly \$600-700,000 for the force main and pump station.

Mr. Richenberg: At the Planning Board meeting Tuesday night, the Final Site Plan was approved, but the developer did not know how they were doing the final treatment.

Mr. Wies stated the current plan is to pre-treat, if so we will not have to upgrade the treatment facility. If they do not pre-treat we will provide a breakdown to them to handle the extra discharge costs.

Mr. Fuller: At the Planning Board meeting, they approved the Final Plans and no one caught that they are going to raise the silo to 82 or 83 feet, without going through proper zoning. Supervisor Deming replied he also heard that as well, and has left a message with Zoning Officer, Carl Peter to verify.

Mr. Fuller: With so many errors, this is a reason why we should submit all actions to the County Planning Board for review prior to a decision.

Supervisor Deming answered it was submitted to the County.

Mr. Richenberg: Was this a mistake?

Supervisor Deming answered he does not know.

Mr. Richenberg: After the Planning Board meeting, you went into the office for a discussion, can you elaborate on what was discussed?

Supervisor Deming replied no, he will not elaborate it was a private conversation.

Mr. Richenberg: You are a public figure, you should inform us of what was said.

Supervisor Deming again responded it was a private conversation.

8:35 p.m.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Rose to close the Public Hearing at 8:35 p.m. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

CONTINUATION OF PRIVILEGES

Mr. Fuller:

Mr. Fuller asked the Board if the fire tax topic is still planning to be discussed at the June meeting, and why the need to have all 5 members present. Supervisor Deming responded that when the issue was first discussed he felt the need to have all members voice their opinion, with ultimately all having a say. A decision will be rendered when the full board is present.

OTHER

Comments:

Mr. Mader stated as a taxpayer he is fully supportive of the developer’s plans for the cheese plant and want it to move forward. Mr. White also expressed his desire for the Board to proceed in assisting the project, stating anything positive for this community should be looked at.

FORMATION OF DISTRICT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the District Formation of the Town of York WNY Cheese Sanitary Sewer District. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0, Absent-1, Lynn Parnell.

Councilman Norman Gates	Aye
Councilman Amos Smith	Aye
Councilman Frank Rose	Aye
Supervisor Gerald L. Deming	Aye
Councilwoman Lynn Parnell	Absent

*Councilman Rose expressed, hopefully with the advancements proposed, we will benefit in the future for water and sewer opportunities.

*Councilman Smith stated he is part of the agricultural community, but commented remember we are all citizens of this township, hopefully having something to gain as a whole.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0, Absent-1, Lynn Parnell.

• General Fund Claim	#124-155	\$ 14,172.26
• Joint Water/Sewer	#101-120	\$110,280.06
• Street Lights	#4	\$ 1,528.38
• Capital Improvement Project	#2	\$ 81.37
• Youth Fund Claim	#5-8	\$ 1,462.68
• Highway Fund Claim	#88-106	\$ 6,602.07

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Rose to adjourn the Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk