

York Town Board Meeting  
June 14, 2007

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Council Members: Norman Gates, Lynn Parnell, William Hasler and David Sliker

Absent: None

Others: George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt.), Norman Barrett (Senior Water & Sewage Treatment Pl. Operator) and Honorable Ronald Cicoria (Town Attorney)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:32 p.m.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Hasler to approve the minutes of the May 24<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing and regular Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

1) Ron Cicoria:

Town Attorney, Mr. Cicoria came to discuss with the Board his view of the proposed Town of York Employee Handbook. Mr. Cicoria informed the Board that he reviewed the document thoroughly and concluded if the Town Board wishes to move forward, he is quite comfortable recommending that they adopt the Handbook after a required Public Hearing, if the Board wants to adopt the Employee Handbook as a Local Law. Mr. Cicoria stated that the document was organized and very well written.

After little discussion...

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Sliker and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to schedule a Public Hearing for Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the York Town Hall. The purpose of said hearing is to discuss the adoption of the "Town of York Employee Handbook", which would be Local Law #3-2007. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Supervisor Deming informed Mr. Cicoria and reminded the Town Board of the scheduled meeting at York Central School on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The meeting is with the YCS School Board, Town of York Planning Board and Town Board and Kip Finley of Avery Engineering, who is representing Myron & Randy Rodger.

Mr. Deming also asked Mr. Cicoria to meet with him on Thursday afternoon, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 p.m. to discuss and review all outstanding legal issues before us. Mr. Cicoria stated he is available for the meeting.

HIGHWAY

1) Gravel:

Highway Superintendent, Mr. Worden reported that he spoke with the Town of Conesus Highway Superintendent, Steve Martucio recently about material needed for their township. The Town of Conesus is in dire need of bank run gravel and the Town of

York is looking to have grading done at the gravel pit. After discussion between the Highway Superintendents, they decided to assist each other. The Town of York has plenty of bank run gravel in our pit for Conesus and they in turn can perform the grading needed at the gravel pit for us.

2) Avon:

Mr. Worden stated that our Highway Department assisted the Town of Avon for the past two days this week by hauling black top. Mr. Worden added that the cooperation between the surrounding towns has been wonderful and looks forward to receiving the same benefit when we need assistance.

3) Mowers:

Mr. Worden reported that he is still reviewing the information on the scag and husqvarna mowers. Mr. Worden stated he will definitely make a decision by the next Town Board Meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup> on his mower of choice.

4) Grant Funds:

Mr. Worden informed the Board that he was made aware of the fact that grant funds are still available to municipalities for the purpose of additional equipment. The Town of York has been fortunate to surround themselves with townships to obtain grants through the shared services application and has worked out very well. Mr. Worden stated that the Highway Superintendents in our shared services group (Avon, Caledonia, Leicester, Mt. Morris and York) have discussed trying to seek funding for additional equipment, such as a track excavator or a large bulldozer. Mr. Worden stated that he personally and Leicester Highway Supt., Russ Paige do not feel that either of those pieces are necessary and would like to see the towns purchase equipment that we might not use continuously, but between the 5 towns could be shared throughout the year on a regular basis.

## WATER/SEWER

1) River crossing:

Mr. Barrett reported that the river crossing project has continued to experience problems. Unfortunately last Thursday, Burrows Brothers equipment broke down and they did not have much progress until the past two days, but then had to shut down the project yesterday due to a family emergency. Mr. Burrows conveyed to Mr. Barrett that they should be back on site tomorrow morning.

2) Approved Taps:

Mr. Barrett stated that his department completed the water and sewer tap process this week for Michael VanGelder's new structure, VanGelder's Automotive.

3) Bid Opening:

Mr. Barrett reminded the Board of the Bid opening on Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 p.m. The Town has requested a proposal from five (5) firms for engineering services for three small water main projects in the town.

4) Center Street:

Mr. Barrett informed the Board that another area on Center Street in Piffard is under review regarding a water issue. Mr. Barrett stated, less than two months ago the Water and Highway Departments corrected a similar issue, and now another leak has surfaced. Mr. Barrett said they will continue further up Center Street to decipher where the leak originated.

5) Treatment Plant:

Mr. Barrett stated that he will be working shortly on updating the Town of York's SPEDES permit, for the Retsof Treatment Facility. The last permit on file with DEC was recorded in 2005, so it is very important to get the most recent information to the Department of Environmental Conservation as soon as possible.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Wadsworth Cemetery:

Council Member Parnell informed the Board that Snyder Brothers began work this week in the Wadsworth Cemetery. The restoration of the stones will begin in the front section of the cemetery and work their way back.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Taps:

a- Water:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Sliker to approve the Water Tap Application request submitted by Mark & Teresa Easton for property located at 3819 Retsof Road, in the amount of \$ 1,500.00. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

b- Sewer:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Hasler to approve the Sewer Tap Application request submitted by Mark & Teresa Easton for property located at 3819 Retsof Road, in the amount \$ 1,500.00. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

2) Paul Raymond –Rezoning:

Supervisor Deming stated that the Planning Board held a Public Hearing Tuesday evening to discuss the possible re-zoning of the area (5.23 acres) at the corner south of Simpson Road and east of Route 36 (Main Street) owned by Paul Raymond. The zoning is currently listed Agricultural and hopes to be approved as Planned Development.

Planning Board Chairman, George Worden Jr. stated that the Planning Board recommends to the Town Board to approve the change in zoning, with a few stipulations.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Sliker and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve the change in zoning of the parcel of land at the corner of Simpson Road and Route 36 (5.23 acres) owned by Paul Raymond from Agricultural to Planned Development, with the following stipulations:

- 1- Mr. Raymond must discuss with DEC stormwater regulations
- 2- Must receive Liv. Co. Planning Dept. approval (at July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting)
- 3- Must have trees around the pond

4- Must have vehicles that are operational able to park on site (no vehicle parts)

Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

\*\* The Planning Board agreed to be the Lead Agency in SEQR and stated that there is no significant impact on the environment.

### OTHER

#### 1) Gates' water:

Councilman Gates reported to the Board that Gates Farms have continued to experience water issues over the past several months, especially throughout the last month with the lack of rainfall, and asked to revisit the possibility of town water.

The Board discussed the feasibility of municipal water. Water & Sewer Operator, Mr. Barrett stated where the current water line ends on Dow Road up to the Gates Farm is probably the lowest area for pressure and might be limited on the gpm (gallons per minute).

The Board and Mr. Gates discussed several different options and Mr. Deming suggested, rather than having a holding tank solely for the Gates Farm, the Board should review once again the calculations to decipher what it would take to perhaps add additional residences on Dow Road to the Water District. Mr. Deming added, if we are going to proceed with a line, we need to do this correctly from the start and not piece-meal a line together, more residents will have the opportunity to benefit from municipal water.

The Board agreed until a more permanent solution is in place, Mr. Gates should touch base with Mr. Barrett about placing a meter on the fire hydrant (to calculate usage) as a temporary way to get water to the farm.

#### 2) Smoking issue:

Supervisor Deming informed the Board that the County Board of Supervisors have begun discussions on a policy of No Smoking on County properties. Mr. Deming stated that the smoking issue has become a huge matter, and policies are not too far behind.

#### 3) EMS Center:

Mr. Deming reported to the Board that an open house/ribbon cutting ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the new EMS Center. The function will run from 1-2:30 p.m.

### BILLS

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

Retsof Sewer District	# 65-67	\$ 844.66
York Sewer District #1	# 23-26	\$ 119,306.88
Consolidated Water	# 119-128	\$ 1,483.30

General Fund Claim	# 181-201	\$ 7,400.78
Highway Fund Claim	# 94-104	\$ 4,001.16

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Sliker and seconded by Mr. Hasler to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until June 28<sup>th</sup>. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk