York Town Board Meeting October 25, 2007

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

Absent: Norman Gates

Others: George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt.) and Norman Barrett (Senior Water & Sewer Treatment Plant Operator)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

<u>MINUTES</u>

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Hasler and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve the minutes of the October 11th Budget Hearing and Regular Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

<u>HIGHWAY</u>

1) Winter maintenance:

Mr. Worden stated that the Highway Department has been busy preparing the equipment for the upcoming winter season with two trucks equipped with their plows, just in case the season starts a bit earlier.

2) Sandblaster:

Mr. Worden stated he would like the Board to consider allowing him to purchase a sandblaster for the Highway Department. Mr. Worden added with the purchase of such equipment the department could better maintain the trucks "in house" rather than having to send out to be repaired. The cost would be in the neighborhood of \$200.00.

After a brief discussion the Board agreed to allow Mr. Worden permission to purchase a new sandblaster for the Highway Department.

3) River Rd./Craig Road:

Mr. Worden reported that he and the men have been wedging River Road this past week, and finished the shoulders on Craig Road. Mr. Worden stated that he will not be blacktopping Craig Road until next year in order to allow the road to settle.

4) Town Barns:

Mr. Worden asked the Board if they would allow the Highway men to continue a few upgrades at the Town Barns. The Board earlier in the year gave permission to complete a few projects, but the men have been too busy to get them accomplished until now.

After some discussion the Board agreed to allow Mr. Worden and the Highway Department permission to proceed with the upgrades as long as the budget is adhered to.

5) Work week:

Mr. Worden reported that the Highway Department will once again be back on their 8 hour per day work week, beginning the first week of November.

WATER/SEWER

1) Art Bernecker:

Mr. Barrett reported that the water main has been installed on Art Bernecker's property along Dow Road. Mr. Bernecker's engineer Mr. Vreeland will be preparing the asbuilt drawings, and the easements will be ready for filing at the Livingston County Clerk's Office by Tuesday of next week.

2) Vitale yard:

Mr. Barrett reported that the water department will be restoring the property of Bill Vitale next week. A fence will be erected and topsoil and seeding will be in place thereafter.

3) One Ton Truck:

Mr. Barrett stated that the Water & Sewer Department's one ton truck was recently serviced at VanGelder's Automotive for brakes, steering arms and other routine work. Mr. Barrett stated that the vehicle will still need to be re-aligned at a later date.

4) Compressor:

Mr. Barrett reported to the Board that the compressor at the water & sewer department is no longer operational. It originally came from the Town's recycling center, so we were able to use the equipment for quite some time, but now we are in dire need of a new one.

After a brief discussion the Board authorized Mr. Barrett to purchase a new compressor for the Water & Sewer Department, not to exceed \$ 700.00.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Leaf pick up:

The Board and Highway Superintendent, Mr. Worden discussed the possibility of sponsoring a one day leaf clean up for the Town of York. The Board agreed that the pick up will consist of bagged leaves only and must be placed in bio-degradable bags. The date for the clean up will be **Monday**, **November 12, 2007**.

2) Mr. Bernecker:

Supervisor Deming stated that he spoke with Art Bernecker this week regarding his rental property on Main Street (Post office building). Mr. Bernecker conveyed his displeasure in the number of units this building is being charged for water and sewer purposes. Mr. Deming explained to Mr. Bernecker that the policy has been to charge for each apartment unit, which he has 4 of in the Main Street structure.

Mr. Bernecker also discussed with Mr. Deming his lots on Dow Road. Mr. Bernecker questioned whether or not he will be financially responsible to file the easements at the County Clerk's office in Geneseo, or will the Town be willing to handle that requirement.

Supervisor Deming responded that the Town and Mr. Bernecker will equally share the expense of the easement filing. A second issue discussed for the Dow Road properties was the expense of the fire hydrants to be placed. Mr. Deming stated that locations of fire hydrants are a New York State requirement for all water lines, and the expense involved for the purchase and installation of them will be strictly incurred by the owner of the lots, which is Mr. Bernecker.

Mr. Deming stated that he reminded Mr. Bernecker of the original agreement made between the Town of York and the owners of the Dow Road/Retsof Road/Main Street properties (A. Bernecker, F. Rose Jr. and R. Brock). Each of the three men get two (2) free sewer hookups for their properties, when the free taps have been issued all remaining taps will incur the \$1,500.00 fee.

** To date none have been used

NEW BUSINESS

1) Retsof Sewer notice:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Sliker authorizing Mrs. Harris as Water & Sewer Clerk, to prepare a notice for our legal publication and to the Retsof Sewer District customers, informing them of an increase in the quarterly charge from \$ 80.00 to **\$ 85.00**, effective in the January-2008 billing cycle. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

2) Insurance comment:

Mr. Deming stated to the Board after the meeting two weeks ago with the Insurance Representative, a comment was made regarding the amount of claims paid out for the Town of York from 2002 to present. A mere \$ 8,000.00 in claims has been paid out, which the representative stated was unheard of for a municipality, and commented how well we had done.

3) Youth:

Mrs. Parnell stated that a Youth meeting is attempting to be scheduled within the next two weeks. She will inform the Board when the date has been slated.

4) Wadsworth Cemetery:

The Board discussed the new fence at the Wadsworth Cemetery, courtesy of the Boy Scout Troop and lead by Eagle Scout candidate Adam Canaan. The Board agreed that the fence is a beautiful addition to the cemetery, and the troop did a wonderful job.

** Next Zoning Revisions Meeting: Tuesday, November 13th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the York Town Hall

<u>OTHER</u>

1) Re-Appointments:

a- Planning Board:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Sliker to re-appoint Mark Vitale to the York Planning Board for a 5 year period, term expiring December 31, 2012. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

b- Zoning Board of Appeals:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Sliker to re-appoint Marjorie Fasano to the York Zoning Board of Appeals for a 5 year period, term expiring December 31, 2012. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

<u>BILLS</u>

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Hasler and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

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Retsof Sewer District	#114-121	\$ 3,119.42
Retsof Sewer District	# 122-123	\$ 775.12
York Sewer District #1	# 47-51	\$ 1,234.78
York Sewer District #2	# 12-13	\$ 127.29
Consolidated Water	# 221-228	\$ 6,584.72
Consolidated Water	# 229	\$ 693.11
Street Lights	# 11	\$ 1,655.79
General Fund Claim	# 349-361	\$ 9,659.08
General Fund Claim	# 362-367	\$ 5,680.82
Youth Fund Claim	# 30	\$ 300.00
Youth Fund Claim	# 31	\$ 721.87
Highway Fund Claim	# 171-175	\$ 1,214.29
Highway Fund Claim	# 176	\$ 1,998.73

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Sliker and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until November 15th. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk