

York Town Board Meeting
March 27, 2008

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

Absent: Lynn Parnell

Others: George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt.), Norman Barrett (Senior Water & Sewage Treatment Plant Operator), Larry Whiting and Becky Price (Design FM), Mary Schlaefer, Don Davis, Jonathan Chase and Ronald Cicoria (Town Attorney)

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

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the minutes of the March 13th Public Hearing and regular Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Privileges of the Floor

1) Design FM (website):

Mr. Whiting and Ms. Price came this evening to discuss with the Board their quote for preparation and maintenance of a town website. Mr. Whiting stated that they have met with some members of the Town Board on two different occasions, most recently last evening with Supervisor Deming and Council Member Parnell. Mr. Whiting briefly discussed Design FM's proposal to provide the Town of York with a design and development of a website to cover the topics we feel are necessary to keep the residents and others informed of the information available.

Mr. Whiting stated that they have been in business in Livonia for 8 ½ years, and have developed websites for the Town and Village of Avon and the Town and Village of Livonia, as well as numerous other municipalities and businesses.

Ms. Price stated that the Town of York website would be quite similar to others they have completed, using the standard state forms available online, but of course would be geared to the York community's needs, and once files have been created for the Town, they become the property of the Town of York, not the website developer.

Supervisor Deming stated that he and Council Member Parnell were very pleased with the outline and quote prepared by Design FM and suggested that they attend tonight's meeting to review with the entire Board their proposal. The quote is as follows:

Design & Development of website	\$ 2,500.00
Website Hosting Service	\$ 20.00 (per month)
Update/Changes	\$ 35.00 (per hour)
URL Registration	\$ 35.00 (per year)

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mr. Rose to accept the proposal for website design and development submitted by Design FM at a cost of \$ 2,500.00. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

** The Town's URL will be: www.yorkny.org

7:45 P.M.- Council Member Parnell arrived at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Local Law #4-2008:

Supervisor Deming stated that he and Councilman Deuel met last week with our Attorneys to review proposed Local Law #4 of 2008, "Town of York Residential Property Water & Sewer Unit Law". Mr. Deming stated that several suggestions had been expressed at the public hearing on March 13th, but after discussing them with the Town Attorney, only minimal changes were made.

Town Attorney, Mr. Cicoria stated in Section 5 of the proposed law the word "bathroom(s)" has been eliminated from the paragraph when describing what needed to be removed or disconnected.

Mr. Cicoria informed the Board that he thoroughly reviewed this law and believes the Town should not alter the document any further because it is a basic law and not uncommon from what other municipalities have filed.

Ms. Schlaefel expressed to the Board and Mr. Cicoria her belief that this law will not be strict enough and should address specific uses. Councilman Deuel reiterated the comment made by Town Attorney, Mr. Cicoria that the local law prepared is more than adequate and does address the dwelling unit issues.

Mr. Davis stated to the Board now that the unit issue has been resolved, when will the Zoning Officer begin his inspections of the homes throughout the town. Mr. Cicoria stated it is not the responsibility of the Town or specifically Mr. Peter to inspect the dwellings in the township, the inspections occur when homeowners seek to decrease the number of units they are currently paying for. Once the request has been made Mr. Peter then becomes involved in the solution process.

HIGHWAY

1) Salt Bid:

Mr. Worden reported he is preparing the paperwork to begin the renewal process for re-bidding salt for next season. Mr. Worden stated that he ordered 1600 ton for this year and will use the same figure for the upcoming season.

After a brief discussion the Board authorized Mr. Worden permission to renew the salt bid for the Town of York.

2) Highway School:

Mr. Worden informed the Board of his plans to attend the yearly Highway Superintendent School. The conference will take place in Ithaca this year from June 2nd-4th.

3) Gravel:

Mr. Worden stated that the Towns of Conesus and Leicester have inquired whether or not we would be interested in selling gravel to their townships. Mr. Worden reported that we have enough material for our use as well as others if the Board is willing to allow him to do so.

The Board agreed as long as the Town has sufficient material in stock, Mr. Worden may sell the gravel to those towns at a rate of \$.05 less than the current county rate.

4) Dow Road:

Mr. Worden reported that a representative from New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) contacted him recently about the existing bridge on Dow Road and the repairs that may need to be made.

Supervisor Deming stated that the Board has discussed this particular bridge a few times over the years with previous Highway Superintendent, Mr. Templeton who had safety concerns regarding the trestle. Mr. Worden stated once the surface of the bridge has been re-decked it will be structurally sound once again. Mr. Cicoria suggested to Mr. Worden that he prepare a letter to DEC informing them of the Board's discussion this evening and the need to re-deck the surface of the bridge.

WATER/SEWER

1) Meter reads:

Mr. Barrett reported that the Water Department has completed the meter readings for the April billing cycle. Unfortunately, the men experienced some issues with the reader and suggested that the Board consider seriously allocating funds in next year's budget for a new one.

2) Donnan Farms:

Mr. Barrett informed the Board that he asked for and received a bill from Donnan Farms for use of their land near the Genesee River Bridge for the River Crossing Project. Donnan Farms stated that a small crop of wheat and the second round of corn was lost before the project's completion, and submitted a claim in the amount of \$ 740.00.

After little discussion the Board and Mr. Barrett agreed that Donnan Farms was incredibly patient an understanding through the lengthy project and added that \$ 740.00 was a very reasonable price.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Gates authorizing payment to Donnan Farms, Inc. in the amount of \$ 740.00 for land used during the River Crossing Project. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

3) Water main Dedications:

a- Art Bernecker Jr.:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to accept dedication of 680 feet of 6" SDR 18 PVC water main along Dow Road from Retsof Road west to a temporary dead end, previously owned by Arthur Bernecker Jr. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

b- Gates Farm:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Deuel to accept dedication of 700 feet of 8" SDR 18 PVC water main along Dow Road from the existing valve just west of Niagara Mohawk pole number 102-RTC #220, to a point 60 feet west of the west right of way line of Federal Road, previously owned by Gates Farm. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Copier Quote:

The Board reviewed the two quotes submitted once again for a new copier for the Town Clerk's office. The two companies who submitted were Usherwood Office Technology (Bernie Ward) and Garlocks Office Centre (Tim Garlock). After review of the quotes the Board suggested that we ask both men to make a small presentation to the Board before our next meeting on April 10th, in order to render a decision later in the evening.

2) Remedy Intelligence Staffing:

Supervisor Deming reported to the Board at the meeting on March 13th a request was made by Remedy Intelligence Staffing for use of the Town Hall. Mrs. Barefoot on behalf of Supervisor Deming, was instructed to contact Ms. Cunningham about the details of the request, which she then informed Mr. Deming of and Ms. Cunningham's request was approved. Her scheduled date actually took place this morning but did not have any residents attend. Ms. Cunningham conveyed her thanks to the Board and hoped she will be able to use the hall once again at a later date.

3) Local Law #4-2008:

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Parnell and seconded by Mr. Deuel to approve Local Law #4 of 2008 entitled, "Town of York Residential Property Water & Sewer Unit Law", as presented. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

4) Proposed Sewer Ordinance:

The Board agreed that a committee meeting must be scheduled to discuss the proposed Sewer Ordinance prepared by Water & Sewage Treatment Plant Operator, Mr. Barrett.

5) Liv. Co. Personnel:

Supervisor Deming reported to the Board that he received notification from the Livingston County Personnel office about the number of Deputy Town Clerks appointed in the Town of York. Mr. Deming stated Ms. Beach informed us that only one Deputy may be appointed and any Clerk's hired thereafter must adhere to the civil service requirements. Supervisor Deming stated he will be meeting next week with Ms. Beach to resolve the matter.

6) Historical Society:

Mr. Deming stated that the next Town of York Historical Society Meeting has been slated for Wednesday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Warren House site.

BILLS

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

Sewer Districts	# 43-49	\$ 17,669.68
Consolidated Water	# 61-69	\$ 13,112.25
General Fund Claim	# 101-115	\$ 17,401.86
Highway Fund Claim	# 64-72	\$ 8,139.32

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until April 10th. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk