

York Town Board Meeting
April 24, 2008

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

Absent: Frank Rose Jr.

Others: Norman Barrett (Senior Water & Sewage Treatment Plant Operator) and George Worden (Highway Superintendent)

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

MINUTES

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mr. Deuel to approve the minutes of the April 10th Town Board Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

HIGHWAY

1) Brush pickup:

Highway Superintendent, Mr. Worden discussed with the Board their thoughts on having a brush pickup day for the township. Mr. Worden stated he and the men would be willing to conduct a one day pickup, and asked the Board what date they would suggest. The Board agreed that the brush cleanup from last year was very well received, and stated as long as the Highway Department has time to do it once again, the Board thinks it is a great idea. Mrs. Harris suggested that we schedule the date 3 weeks from now in order to allow the residents the chance to gather their brush and leaves at their leisure, rather than trying to conduct a cleanup too quickly and having nothing to pick up.

The Board and Mr. Worden scheduled the brush cleanup day for Monday, May 19th. The notice will be placed in the Genesee Valley Penny Saver, both editions for two weeks.

2) Equipment:

Mr. Worden stated once the warm weather arrived he and the men have since removed the plow equipment from the trucks. According to the weather stations we may have been a bit premature, reports state that we may encounter a little more snow within the next week, so the plow equipment may have to be put on once again.

3) Parking lot:

Mr. Worden informed the Board that the quote discussed at the April 10th meeting to resurface and pave the parking lot, was inaccurate. The initial quote was \$ 15,000.00, but after further review of the materials needed, the cost would be more like \$ 25,000.00.

The Board agreed that even though the cost is much more than we wanted to incur, the Town does not have a lot of options. To oil & stone the parking lot will cost as much as paving, and will have to be addressed roughly every 5 years.

Supervisor Deming stated to his knowledge the Town of York and the UP Church have always had an unwritten agreement regarding the parking lot, but perhaps going

forward we should have an actual contract in place due to funds being expended. Councilman Deuel stated he will speak with Rev. Neil Froid about the suggestion in order to iron out the details for a written contract.

4) Bucci issue:

Mr. Worden reported that he received a telephone call today from town resident, Joe Bucci. Mr. Bucci expressed his displeasure in having his name brought up at a Town Board Meeting by Highway Supt., Mr. Worden without his knowledge. Mr. Worden informed Mr. Bucci and the Board that the issue discussed pertained to the driveway pipe on River Road. Mr. Bucci and Mr. Worden discussed two months ago if the driveway pipe was to be removed, our Highway Department will remove it, not the homeowner because it is in our right of way, which is our responsibility. Even after the conversation, Mr. Bucci had it removed himself.

After a brief discussion Supervisor Deming stated he will contact Mr. Bucci within a couple of weeks to schedule a meeting to resolve the matter. Attending the meeting will be Mr. Deming, Mr. Worden, Mr. Bucci and perhaps Town Attorney, Mr. Cicoria.

5) Accident:

Mr. Worden informed the Board that a small accident occurred on Wednesday, April 16th around 11:00 a.m. in front of the recycling center on River Road. The Town dump truck was parked on the west side of the shoulder of the road while the driver (Louie Price) was unlocking the recycling center gate to unload cut brush they had trimmed earlier that morning. A vehicle operated by Wayne Dubiel came upon the parked truck and while passing the town vehicle, hit his passenger side mirror on one of the branches. Mr. Worden stated that he contacted the Livingston County Sheriff's Department to have an accident report filed, and also had Mrs. Barefoot notify the Dubiel's that a written estimate of repairs needed to be obtained.

Mr. Worden stated that Rob Grant from our Water & Sewer Department was also at the scene of the accident, parked on the east side of River Road and stated that the Town vehicle was parked on the shoulder of the road where numerous other vehicles were able to pass, including a loader by the Water and Sewer Dept. Mr. Grant added that Mr. Dubiel's vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed and believes he was unable to slow down sufficiently to encounter the circumstances. Mr. Deming stated that the Dubiels have submitted a claim for repairs in the amount of \$ 511.71 and feel the Town is at fault and should pay for the damages, which we are not as sure about. Supervisor Deming stated that he spoke with Town Attorney, Mr. Cicoria today about the incident and Mr. Cicoria advised the Board not to pay any claim unless we are required to do so by a Judge's ruling. The Board agreed to accept Mr. Cicoria's recommendation.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mrs. Parnell authorizing Town Attorney, Mr. Cicoria to prepare a letter to Wayne Dubiel informing him of the Board's decision not to pay his claim for repairs to the passenger side mirror of his truck. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

WATER/SEWER

1) One-ton truck:

Mr. Barrett reported that the Water & Sewer one-ton truck was brought to VanGelder's Automotive recently. After review of the 1997 truck, the shop realized that the spark plugs had never been changed and attempted the process. Because the plugs had been on so long it was a major ordeal to get one plug off, pieces snapping off every step of the way. For one plug to be replaced, VanGelders gave us a break on the bill for hours incurred, \$ 201.00. Mr. Barrett stated that they worked endlessly on this job and expressed to the Board his desire not to further the process with the remaining plugs for obvious reasons.

The Board discussed the possibility of sending the one-ton truck to the Palmyra Auction in order to purchase a newer vehicle for the Water & Sewer Department. Mr. Barrett stated that a ¾ ton truck with a Redding box will be sufficient for the department, a one-ton is not necessary.

Mr. Barrett will call Teitsworth Auctions in the morning to see if we are still able to bring vehicles to the auction in May.

2) Restoration:

Mr. Barrett reported that the department was busy the past two days restoring the area affected by the river crossing project. The area needing restoration was across the river on the Geneseo side, owned by William Vitale.

3) 8 inch line:

Mr. Barrett asked the Board their thoughts on the 8 inch water main that is not being used after the new line was installed. The Board and Mr. Barrett weighed the pros and cons of keeping the 8 inch line as opposed to removing it. Mr. Barrett recommended that the Board consider abandoning and removing the line in order to alleviate any eventual leaks that could occur over the years.

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Deuel and seconded by Mr. Gates authorizing the Water & Sewer Department permission to remove the 8 inch line on Genesee Street (Route 63). Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

4) Pump:

Mr. Barrett stated that Pumpsmart will be here on Monday to start the large pump for viewing. Mr. Barrett stated that this is quite a process to view because the pump is very powerful and extremely accurate. In order to alleviate any issues with the Village of Geneseo's system, we will notify them before we begin, in order for both agencies to watch their system through this startup cycle.

5) System profile:

Mr. Barrett stated at the Public Works Committee Meeting last Thursday evening the group discussed the possibility of connecting to a hydraulic model system that would greatly assist our day to day operations. The hydraulic model would analyze our current system, allowing us to evaluate what we have and what needs to be addressed. Supervisor Deming commented before we expend any funds for such system, he will contact Rick

Henry of Clark Patterson Lee to verify if this process was already done before the sewer projects began.

6) Annual Water Supply Report:

Mr. Barrett stated that he and Roger McCracken have been working on the Annual Water Supply Report requirement. The 2007 information will be ready to be faxed to the Village of Geneseo within a few days

7) Fence:

Mr. Barrett reported to the Board that the Town will be purchasing a 6 foot piece of chain link fence in the amount of \$ 1,250.00 for William Vitale's property on Court Street in Geneseo. Mr. Vitale's fence had to be removed when we worked on the river crossing project last year, so this is a replacement piece.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Sewer Ordinance & Wind Energy Ordinance:

Supervisor Deming reported that both proposed ordinances were reviewed briefly at the Public Works Committee Meeting last week, but will need additional discussion before hearings can be scheduled.

2) Industrial Appraisal:

Mr. Worden and Mr. Barrett stated that they received the Industrial Appraisal sheets from Mrs. Barefoot last week but will need to obtain a copy of the current information as a guide for updating purposes.

Mrs. Harris will inform Mrs. Barefoot of the request first thing tomorrow morning.

3) Copier:

Mrs. Harris informed the Board that she spoke with Bernie Ward (Usherwood Office Technology) and Tim Garlock (Garlock's Office Centre) two weeks ago about testing each copier for a week before rendering a decision. Mr. Ward has had delay issues with his copier, so Mr. Garlock has had to wait as well.

The Board agreed if Mr. Ward is unable to bring his copier by Tuesday of next week we will ultimately make the decision to accept the Xerox model from Mr. Garlock. Mrs. Harris stated she will notify Mr. Ward of the Board's discussion this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Summer Youth:

Mr. Deming stated that the Board received a request from Bruce Carney. Mr. Carney works for the Summer Youth program as a Swim Instructor and recently suggested that the Board consider extending the swim lessons for an additional two weeks for grades 3-6, at a maximum cost of \$ 500.00.

After some discussion the Board agreed that the additional swim lessons would take place after the recreational program had concluded and decided that the number of children attending would not warrant the additional expense. Also, the Board stated that this request has come too late to move forward at this time. The Board suggested that Mr.

Carney prepare a survey this year to inquire if children would be interested in additional lessons for next year's budget.

2) Nuisance Ordinance:

Mr. Deming stated that the number of telephone calls/complaints the Town office staff has been receiving regarding dog, noise and burning issues, have increased greatly over the past few years. The Board reviewed the possibility of adopting a nuisance ordinance for noise related issues and also stated that discussions must be held on whether or not we wish to contract with the Livingston County Dog Control for additional dog enforcement.

3) Voicemail:

Supervisor Deming suggested to the Board that we consider setting up voicemail for the Town office. Currently we are unable to leave messages for the departments, and believe this is unacceptable and should be rectified. The Board stated that pricing must be obtained.

BILLS

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates 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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| Sewer Districts | # 62-70 | \$ 10,091.68 |
| Consolidated Water | # 83-87 | \$ 2,116.89 |
| General Fund Claim | # 136-149 | \$ 7,844.08 |
| Youth Fund Claim | # 6 | \$ 353.17 |
| Highway Fund Claim | # 83- 93 | \$ 8,956.84 |

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Gates and seconded by Mrs. Parnell to adjourn the Town Board Meeting until May 8th. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Town Board Meeting closed at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris, Clerk