

York Town Board Special Meeting
July 24, 2008

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

Absent: None

Others: James Mazurowski, Director, Livingston County Center for Environmental Health and Roxanne Clark, Livingston County Dog Control
Ed Mycek, George Worden, Highway Superintendent (arrived at 7:20 pm)

Supervisor Deming opened the Special Board Meeting at 7:02 pm

Minutes

Mr. Mazurowski and Ms. Clark were asked by Supervisor Deming to provide the Town Board with an overview of services available by Livingston County related to local dog issues, and to possibly assist putting a local dog ordinance in place. Supervisor Deming states that the Hamlet of Piffard seems to have the most number of complaints regarding dogs, but overall there has not been excessive calls, and is not sure of the need to implement a service at this time. Both Mr. Mazurowski and Ms. Clark shared with the Board several options, along with a model dog ordinance that their agency can help create, based upon the needs of the Town. A discussion and decision by the Town Board would be necessary in order to move forward with any plans. Mr. Mazurowski also spoke briefly about local dog ordinances, as well as the possibility of hiring a town dog control officer of our own at the expense of the Town. In the County proposal, Livingston County will contribute financially toward a portion, with the Town responsible for the remainder. The current fee is approximately \$680.00/quarter, but due to additional time involved, costs may vary. With this service, dog control officers would be on staff daily to assist with dog related issues, although not 24/7. Currently, four neighboring Towns share this service, those being Livonia, Conesus, Springwater and Groveland. Mr. Mazurowski and Ms. Clark offered to assist the Board in writing a local law if that is the direction in which the Board chooses to go. Board members thanked both Mr. Mazurowski and Ms. Clark for their time and agreed that they will continue the discussion in hopes of making a decision at a later date.

Special Board Meeting closed at 7:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Barefoot
Secretary to the Supervisor