

**PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LIBERTY
JANUARY 7, 2008**

At a Public Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Liberty held on January 7, 2008 at 3:50 p.m. at Town Hall, 120 North Main Street, Liberty, New York to hear oral and written comments from concerned citizens on Introductory Local Law No. 7 of 2007, entitled "A local law imposing a Limited Private Sewage Treatment Plant Moratorium."

Supervisor Schmidt called the Public Hearing to order at 3:50 p.m.

No one wished to be heard and no written comments were received.

On a motion by Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by Councilperson Lynn Killian and carried, the Town Board adjourned the hearing at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Dutcher,
Town Clerk

**DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING
TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LIBERTY
120 NORTH MAIN STREET, LIBERTY, NY 12754
January 7, 2008**

At the Regular Monthly Department Head Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Liberty held at 4:00 p.m. at Town Hall, 120 North Main Street, Liberty, New York, the following were present:

Present: Supervisor John Schmidt
Councilperson Maurice Gerry
Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck
Councilperson Lynn Killian
Councilperson Clarence Barber

Recording Secretary: Town Clerk Laurie Dutcher

Also present: Water & Sewer Chief Albert Picard
Code Enforcement Officer Mark VanEtten
Deputy Town Clerk Sara Sprague
Highway Superintendent Timothy Pellam

Finance Director Earl Bertsch
Dog Control Office Joanne Gerow

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisor Schmidt called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Parks & Recreation Director Brian Scardefield

- End of year summary
- Received \$3,080 from county for programs
- Winter registrations
 - 30 kids signed up for skiing at Holiday Mountain
 - Walking program at Liberty High School
 - Men & Women's volley ball
- Accepting applications for summer employment

Water & Sewer Supervisor Albert Picard

Mr. Picard advised the Board that he was presenting a list of unfinished & pending projects

- Approval to buy 2 new vans at an approximate cost of \$30,000. Two old vans are worth about \$6,000 apiece. Highway Department may be interested in vans.
- Approval to buy new tractor from the State contract to replace the Yanmar. Approximate cost of \$14,000.
- Schooling for sewer license for two men at approximate cost of \$1,900. Lodging & meals additional cost.
- Inflow problem at Hillcrest Estates. Would like advisement from Town Board on how to handle the problem
- Green Hill Estates (old trailer park) Wasson Engineering not doing inspections on a full time basis.
- Terry Kelly to look into starting a study to see what is involved in bringing another water source to this area. The spring is not longer a good source anymore and deep well needs to be run often.
- What is the status of the grant for the 2 pump houses in White Sulphur Springs?
- Would like to start spending the left over money for the water tower project to repair some manholes on the system which take on inflow.
- NYS Dept. of Health wrote us up for the Stevensville Water District's concrete reservoir.
- The roof on the upper Loomis reservoir is in bad shape on the south side. Would like to have someone look at it.
- Carefree Acres fence & shrubs have been installed around pump station.

Department Head Mtg.
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- Spoke w/ Earl regarding finishing up some pipe work WSS up Fox Mtn and down Mineral Springs Rd. Earl advised he should wait.
- Terry Kelly and the Town Water Dept. will work on repiping Sherwood Well to see if we can get up to 500GPM.
- Putting in a new meter at Presidential Estates Pool and will put on list to check during high usage period.
- Terry Kelly consulting with another engineering firm in regards to looking into bringing new development into the Loomis Sewer system.
- Notified by the NYS Dept. of Health regarding the old open reservoir in Loomis. They have requested a meeting with the Town in regards to disconnecting from the system. Albert spoke with Terry Kelly and they have a meeting set for 1/15/2008 in Loomis. Albert also spoke with the Dept. of Health regarding available funding and will get the information at the meeting.

Dog Control Officer Joanne Gerow
December Monthly Report

- Calls-47
- Miles-787
- Dog Bites-4
- Dogs Seized-2
- Dogs in Kennel-6
- Need to renovate kennel (failed Ag & Market Inspection)

Code Enforcement Officer Mark VanEtten

- Would like permission from the Board to have Terry Kelly do an inspection on a house on Aden Rd. Upon recommendation would like to begin vacating & unsafe building proceedings.
- Had a meeting with Mr. Kaufman in regard to garbage at Manuka Cottages in Swan Lake. Unsafe for fire protection
- Business as usual

Highway Superintendent Timothy Pellam

- Busy plowing & cleaning roads
- Spent \$10,000 for gas in a three week period
- Received a price for snow guards for the Town Barn, just has to make sure that it doesn't affect the warranty
- Need to improve the internet service
- Getting prices for gas pumps

Finance Director Earl Bertsch

- Has advised all Departments that all 2007 vouchers must be received by January 14th.

- Would like to do a negotiated sale with local banks for the bond resolution.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Councilperson Clarence Barber

- Would like a resolution opposing the closure of 40 beds at the Achieve Rehab & Nursing Facility

Councilperson Lynn Killian

- Would like a report given to the Board every quarter or so to report on the grants that have been applied for and their status.

Supervisor John Schmidt

- The Delmar Hotel is down
- The Swan Lake solar lights- waiting for better weather
- Need to make decision on Melton subdivision next mtg.
- Need to discuss the contract w/ CDC at next mtg.
- Barton & Loguidice presentation on Swan Lake Sewer Plant at 2/11 mtg.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Councilperson Lynn Killian, seconded by Councilperson Clarence Barber and carried, the Town Board adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Dutcher,
Town Clerk