

TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LIBERTY
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
December 17, 2012

At the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Liberty held at 7:00p.m. at Town Hall, 120 North Main Street, Liberty, New York, the following Town Board Members were present:

Supervisor Charlie Barbuti
Councilperson Chris Austin-Absent
Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck
Councilperson Dean Farrand
Councilperson Maurice Gerry

Recording Secretary: Deputy Town Clerk Sara Sprague

Also present:

Town Attorney Kenneth Klein
Finance Director Earl Bertsch
Budget Accounting Coordinator Cheryl Gerow

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisor Barbuti called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RECOGNIZE THE PUBLIC

Don & Jeanne Tulp- Lazy Pond Bed and Breakfast

Mr. and Mrs. Tulp state that they have been in business for 13 years and are an asset to the community. Their business is located at 87 Old Loomis Road in the Town of Liberty. They would like to expand their Bed and Breakfast to 76 Old Loomis Road which is across the street . 76 Loomis Road is in a residential zone and they can not add on to the present building . Mr. and Mrs. Tulp would like the Board to help them resolve this matter in the quickest and simplest way. Town Attorney Klein states that he will look into options for them that would be the best for both parties.

Kim & Rob Rayevsky & Amy Amerall- Parksville Hamlet Committee

Mr. and Mrs. Rayevsky spoke on behalf of the Parksville Hamlet Committee. They stated that they are working on the definitions. They presented the Town Board with their map. Councilperson Farrand explained they need to go over the voting districts when doing their map. The Rayevsky's stated that the people want a walkable Hamlet.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Copy of excel spreadsheet from Nancy Yoder regarding Retiree Health Benefits.
Supervisor Barbuti states that we need to look into this plan seriously. The savings is substantial. Finance Director Bertsch would like an independent consultant to come

in to explain the differences in the plans. Supervisor Barbuti would like to set up a meeting with the retiree's to explain the possible change in the insurance. Supervisor Barbuti is going to send a letter to all the retiree's regarding the possible insurance change and a meeting date in February. Nancy Yoder will be at the meeting to explain the new plan.

2. Copy of Resolution proclaiming and designating Monticello and Sullivan County as the Bagel Capital.
3. Memo from the Finance office regarding long term debt.

PLANNING & ZONING BOARD MINUTES:

Planning Board 12/4/2012

RESOLUTION NO

APPROVAL OF AUDIT

Motion by Councilperson Dean Farrand, seconded by **Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck**, the Town Board approved the following:

- December, 2012 Abstract:
Claims #2238 to #2405 totaling \$471,232.16
- Post, November 2012 Abstract:
Claims #2222 to #2237 totaling \$129,556.61
- General Ledger Abstract:
Claims #386 to #416 totaling \$237,909.22

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Maurice Gerry**, the Town Board approved the following minutes as submitted:

- Public Hearing Mtg. 11/5/2012
- Dept. Head Mtg. 11/5/2012
- Regular Monthly Mtg. 11/19/2012
- Dept. Head Mtg. 12/3/2012

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY REPORTS

Motion by Councilperson Maurice Gerry, seconded by **Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck**, the Town Board approved the following reports as submitted:

- Town Clerk's Monthly Report 11/20/12
- Monthly town Board Report of Revenue & Expense Summary as of 11/30/2012
- Supervisor's Report 10/2012

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Loomis Wastewater treatment Plant – No discussion
2. Proposed wind zoning- No discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion regarding moving the Town Court Offices to the Abbott House Building on Sullivan Ave. Supervisor Barbuti would like to set up a meeting with the board members to tour the building. Town Attorney Klein states to check with Code Enforcement Officer VanEtten to check the capacity of the building.

RESOLUTION NO

SET BID DATE FOR THE SWAN LAKE SEWER PLANT ROOF REPLACEMENT

Motion by Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Maurice Gerry**, the Town Board set the bid date for the Swan Lake Sewer Plant roof replacement for 1/16/2013 at 11a.m. Town Hall, 120 North Main St., Liberty.

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE PART-TIME COMPUTER OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR

Motion by Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Supervisor Charles Barbuti**, the Town Board renewed the Part-Time Computer Operations Supervisor, Timothy Kelly's contract for two years.

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

APPROVAL OF THE 2013 PARK & RECREATION FEE CHANGES

Motion by Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Maurice Gerry**, the Town Board approved the 2013 Park & Recreation fee change schedule below

Field Use Fee:

Current Fees: \$20.00 Each Date-Liberty Resident
 \$30.00 Each Date-Non-Resident
 No Clean-up Deposit

Change Fee To:

\$30.00 Each Date-Liberty Resident
\$40.00 Each Date-Non-Resident
\$100.00 Clean-up Deposit

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESIGNATION FROM EVAN AUSTIN FROM THE TOWN OF LIBERTY WATER & SEWER DEPT. EFFECTIVE 12/31/12

Motion by Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Dean Farrand**, the Town Board accepted the resignation of Evan Austin from the Town of Liberty Water & Sewer Dept. effective 12/31/12.

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

2. Letter from Highway Superintendent Timothy Pellam asking for (2) employees to be upgraded from laborers to HMEO with an increase in pay. A discussion followed. Councilperson Farrand would like to know why this increase was not brought up at the time of the budget meetings. Councilperson Hasbrouck agreed. The Board would like

to know how the salaries are going to be paid. Budget Accounting Director Gerow stated that the salaries were going to be paid out of the part-time position salary.

RESOLUTION NO

UPGRADE (2) EMPLOYEES FROM LABORERS TO HMEO WITH AN INCREASE IN PAY

Motion by Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Maurice Gerry**, the Town Board approved Highway Superintendent Pellam's upgrade of (2) employees from laborers to HMEO with an increase in pay.

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF A VOUCHER TO BLAUER ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225.00 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE LOOMIS SEWER DISTRICT WWTP

Motion by Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Dean Farrard**, the Town Board approved the voucher for Blauer Associates in the amount of \$225.00 for administrative services for the Loomis Sewer WWTP.

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

RESOLUTION NO

APPOINTMENT OF KYLE FARRAND AS AN ALTERNATE TO THE ZONING BOARD

Motion by Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Maurice Gerry**, the Town Board approved the appointment of Kyle Farrand as an alternate to the Zoning Board.

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

BOARD DISCUSSION

Councilperson Maurice Gerry would like the Town Board to send a letter of condolence to Sandy Hook Elementary School due to their recent tragedy. Supervisor Barbuti said he would write the letter. Councilperson Gerry would also like to know what an assault rifle is. He would like someone from the NRA to come to a Town Board meeting and explain what these rifles are. Councilperson Gerry has a beautiful Christmas display up and would like everyone to come by to see it. Councilperson Gerry also states that a new grocery store is coming to Ferndale.

Councilperson Thomas Hasbrouck states that the Santa Express brought a lot of people to town Saturday night and the children really enjoyed it.

Councilperson Dean Farrand states that the Planning Board training will be held Thursday night 12/20/12 for Liberty only. Councilperson Farrand went to Liberty School, Mrs.Lieberman's Class to discuss government. He states it was a very good experience.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTUION NO

Motion by Thomas Hasbrouck, seconded by **Councilperson Maurice Gerry** the Town Board adjourned the meeting at 8:24pm

4 Ayes-Carried
Absent-Councilperson Austin

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Sprague, Deputy Town Clerk