

Minutes of the Smithville Town Board
Feb. 18, 2013

OPENING by Supervisor Fred Heisler 6:30PM

ROLL CALL:

Supervisor Heisler

Board members:

Elizabeth Vanderweyde

Bob Whitmore

Karl Ludwig

John Cammarata

Also Present:

Highway Sup't Bruce Kinney

Town Clerk Alison Owens

PB Chair Jackie Centerwall

PB member Tom Pollard

Bill and Julie Lenga

Roger Connelly, Unknown residents

NO LATE ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

CORRESPONDENCE

6:40PM

C1: Thank you from the family of Milly Auwarter for donation to SHS

C2: Chenango County Board of Supervisors: Annual Quarantine of Dogs until April 30, 2013

C3: letter from Julie Lenga re: Road name changes (see also C7)

The letter to the Town Board was read by Julie Lenga. Mrs. Lenga's concern was the problems caused by changing the road name. Because the road name change was not yet recognized by any official agency, the Lenga's and their neighbors have been unable to change their address at the Post Office, their banking institutions and other necessary places. Board member Whitmore explained how the roads had become mixed up to begin with and why the Board felt it important to make these changes. Mrs. Lenga was also concerned about the lack of communication from the Town in notifying the residents of the change or even proposing a change. Additional residents were also in agreement. It was suggested to change the roads again to make Tarbell Rd. start from State Hwy 41 to the bridge and turning right going to the dead end near the former Tarbell Farms property. Pearl Street would begin at Round Pond Rd. and stop at the new intersection of Tarbell Rd. by the bridge. There would not be any current residents on the proposed Pearl St. After continued discussion, the following RESOLUTION was proposed.

RESOLUTION # 14 (2013): AMEND THE DEC. 17, 2012 RESOLUTION CHANGING ROAD NAMES AND RE-ASSIGN THE NAMES OF TARBELL RD AND PEARL ST.

On a motion by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2nd by Councilman Cammarata, the following Resolution was ADOPTED

AYES: Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler

NAYES: 0

WHEREAS Resolution # 63 (2012) changed the names of 3 Town roads into 2, and WHEREAS the result of these name changes have caused residents of these roads considerable problems in complying with the change, BE IT THEREFORE NOW RESOLVED to amend the previous Resolution # 63 (2012) and to rename the roads in question as follows: **Tarbell Rd.** to begin at State Hwy 41 and to move westerly to the bridge over Pond Creek, then to make a right hand turn northward to the dead end near the former Tarbell Farms property and **Pearl St.** (previously Round Pond Spur) to begin at its intersection with Round Pond Rd. and moving easterly until it intersects with (now) Tarbell Rd. near the bridge over Pond Creek. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that resident Stan Emert will have a Tarbell Rd. address.

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It was stressed by Mrs. Lenga that speedy notice to Chenango County 911 and other agencies was necessary to ensure the change would be effective.

C4: email from Mang Insurance re: March 2013 renewal policy. Paperwork will be turned in tomorrow.

C5: NRCS: Annual Watershed Inspection Report (required for C4)

C6: Chenango County DPW: Roadside Trash statement

C7: Chenango County Sheriff: 911 Addressing Changes

REPORTS

7:00PM

R1.) Planning Board: report submitted. The Planning Board is still working on a site plan review law. The Steuben Co. site plan is being used as a template. The Planning Board has had an extended conversation with Town Board member Cammarata re: Court space; also working with new space for the Town Barn. The Comprehensive Plan still needs to be submitted to the County.

R2.) Assessor: no report submitted

R3.) Enforcement Officer: report submitted County: report building was submitted.

R4.) Justice: no report submitted

R5.) DCO: no report submitted

R6.) Attorney: no report submitted

R7.) Smithville Day: report submitted at the Board meeting. The Committee is making plans for the June 9th event. A fund raiser "Indoor Yard Sale" is being scheduled for March 8 & 9 at the Community Center. Other activities are being planned.

R8.) Community Center: report submitted by John Cammarata. The fire alarm panel was found to have a bad circuit board and several of the smoke detectors need replacing as well. A new panel from Edwards Co. is in the price range of \$565.+ the cost to replace it and the existing smoke detectors for a total over \$1000. Councilman Cammarata's father in law was able to find a panel for \$335. + changing out the detectors, volunteer labor for cost of \$615. The Code Enforcement Office said a new fire detection system was not needed in this building. If one is tied to a telephone system, it would be costly. It was recommended to ask Mang Insurance if a tie to 911 is required for insurance. Fred will check into the insurance; Bob Whitmore will take a look at the hardware costs to replace/tie with 911. This will be tabled until next month. CC Inspection report items include a discussion on door, but no action was taken at this time.

R9.) Playground Committee: no report

R10) Town Clerk: report submitted. The Town Clerk also printed out Tax Collection reports for January and a check was given to Supervisor Heisler for the balance of the January collections due to the Town. The new tax program performed admirably. Paid tax info is now available on the website. New copier information for the Town Clerk's Office was reviewed but table until Budget time.

R11) Highway: The Highway Sup't asked if the Town Board wanted to pay the full handling fee + stone invoice from Hanson Aggregates of \$3873.21 or try to negotiate for a lower price as the invoice was from 2011. There was no contract for the hauling fee on this invoice. A previous purchase of 352.11 tons in 2008 was charged \$11. per ton for hauling. In 2009 the hauling fee + stone was \$16.50 per ton. The voucher for \$3873.21 is on tonight's warrant. Supervisor Heisler would like to negotiate for a lower price with Jeff Hoskavich, account manager with Hanson Aggregates. The invoice is over 1 year old.

The Highway Sup't is looking for both for a 10 wheeler and a pick/up. He would like to bid out the 10 wheeler this summer so it would be ready for late fall. This would replace one of the older 10 wheelers

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which could in turn be sold. The new dump truck would be paid for part cash, part bond. A newer pick-up is needed now. Supervisor Heisler suggested putting the bids out in May.

A Time Clock policy has been typed up for review but the Highway Sup't would like to add a couple more items. It was suggested to move this to the end of the meeting.

R12) Supervisor's Report: report submitted. A motion to accept the Supervisor's report was made by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2nd by Councilman Ludwig. All five Board members: Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata and Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

The Union contract was mailed out nearly a month ago and nothing has been heard back. It was suggested Supervisor Heisler make a phone call to them.

New banking opportunity suggested by NBT with Promitory—any money not used on a daily basis would be considered investment \$ with CD's and money market accounts. Supervisor Heisler would like to invite John Deirline to address to the Board.

NYS Compensation Disability Benefits Board and Supervisor Heisler are having a discussion concerning a fine against the Town Supervisor for supposedly not having disability insurance under the previous Supervisor Joyce Flanagan who passed away in 1988. While it appears to be a paper/computer glitch, Supervisor Heisler is still working with the situation.

Bookkeeper Virginia Smith had recommended the Board transfer excess highway monies of \$99,432., possibly split into the Town Barn Fund and New Equipment reserve. Once it is designated into an account it cannot be moved. Supervisor Heisler asked for a decision next month.

NEW BUSINESS

7:40PM

NB1: consider Resolution to add Jordon Lilley (current member) to the Town of Smithville roster of the NYS & Local Retirement. This was so moved in the following Resolution

RESOLUTION # 15 (2013): APPROVE JUSTICE JORDON LILLEY TO BE ADDED TO ROSTER OF EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE FOR NYS& LOCAL RETIREMENT

On a motion by Councilman Whitmore, 2nd by Councilman Ludwig, the following RESOLUTION was adopted

AYES Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler
NAYES 0

RESOLVED to add Justice Jordon Lilley to the roster of Town of Smithville employees eligible for NYS & Local Retirement. Justice Lilley is a current member of the system.

NB2: Paul O'Connor to remain through March 2013 as Court Clerk to help Justice Lilley.

RESOLUTION # 16 (2013): APPROVE PAUL O'CONNOR AS COURT CLERK THROUGH MARCH 2013.

On a motion by Councilman Cammarata, 2nd by Councilman Ludwig, the following RESOLUTION was adopted

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AYES Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler
NAYES 0

RESOLVED to approve Paul O'Connor as the Court Clerk through March 2013.

OLD BUSINESS

7:50PM

OB1: more info coming on the possibility for solar panel heating at Town Barn/Municipalities. Councilman Whitmore indicated the Genegantslet Fire Co. was investigating solar possibilities as well.
OB2: discuss new information on ID cards for Town employees. Company will provide carded ID cards for a cost. Contact Neal Root, Christine Stark, and Keith Klein to encourage them to take advantage of having a Town ID card. (John C. will make contacts) This can also be available for the Hwy Sup't.

MINUTES APPROVAL FOR Dec. 28th, Jan 21st

8:10PM

Minutes of the December 28th and January 21st meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve both sets of minutes was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2nd by Councilman Ludwig. All Board members: Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

WARRANTS

8:15PM

General Warrant # 2: Vouchers # 13-31, in the amount of \$ \$8,300.68 were reviewed for payment. A motion by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2nd by Councilman Ludwig to pay these claims was voted upon with all Board members: Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata and Heisler voting affirmatively. Motion carried.

Highway Warrant #2: Vouchers # 14-25, in the amount of \$12,685.14 were reviewed for payment. Voucher # 24 to Tallmadge Tire is half of what was billed. Tallmadge Tire owes the Highway Dept. money for returned tires. The Highway Sup't would like to wait to pay the remaining half when Tallmadge Tire gives the Town of Smithville proper credit. Voucher# 25 is to Hanson Aggregates for this amount only, and will be held pending further negotiations. A motion to pay these claims was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2nd by Councilwoman Vanderweyde. All Board members: Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler were in favor, motion carried.

COURT SITUATION: The Town Court situation needs own space, telephone. There seems to be no bandaid fix or temporary solution. Supervisor Heisler has written down 5 or 6 options. These were discussed but no decisions were made

- 1.) Modify current Town Office space
- 2.) Add on a 20x24' space on back of current building
- 3.) Rent an outside space
- 4.) Rent office pod space
- 5.) Build a new building
- 6.) Move a donated building and rebuild somewhere
- 7.) Rent the fire station
- 8.) Possibility of moving Court upstairs in the Community Center

Need more information before a decision can be made.

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PERSONNEL: a Time Card Policy for the Town of Smithville, as part of the Highway Sup't report, was reviewed and discussed. Board members had some concerns about implementation of the policy and asked the Highway Sup't. to continue working with the Policy ideas.

There were no other considerations to come before the Board. A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2nd by Councilman Cammarata. Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm until March 18, 2013.

Alison B. Owens

Smithville Town Clerk