

Minutes of the Smithville Town Board
June 17, 2013

OPENING

Supervisor Fred Heisler

6:30PM

Thoughts of the Board were with Town Clerk Alison Owens, absent because of the loss of her husband David.

ROLL CALL

Supervisor Fred Heisler Jr.
Councilwoman Elizabeth Vanderweyde
Councilman Bob Whitmore
Councilman Karl Ludwig
Councilman John Cammarata

ALSO PRESENT

Deputy Town Clerk Christine Buck
Highway Sup't Bruce Kinney (arrived at 7:25)
PB chair Jackie Centerwall
PB member Tom Pollard

CORRESPONDENCE

C1 Chenango County Multi-Municipality Hazard Mitigation Plan
C2 NYSDEC—training for DECALS agents in July this year
C3 Mercy Flight request for consideration

C1 Discussed later under Supervisor's Report.
C2 Town Clerk and perhaps a deputy should be trained.
C3 Mercy Flight is not the Town's primary emergency flight provider.

RESOLUTION # 37 (2013) MERCY FLIGHT REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION

On a motion by Councilman Whitmore, 2nd by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, the following Resolution was adopted.

Ayes Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, Heisler
Nays 0

RESOLVED to decline the request of Mercy Flight [as it is not the Town's primary emergency flight provider].

NEW BUSINESS

NB1: NYSORPS: Assessor re-appointment (Keith has said he would like to be reappointed)

NB1: Discussed and tabled.

OLD BUSINESS

OB1: email from Richard Crow regarding website involvement

OB1: Discussed and tabled.

REPORTS

R1.) Planning Board: report submitted. Planning Board chair Centerwall and member Pollard reviewed details of the written report.
R2.) Assessor: no report submitted
R3.) Enforcement Officer: report submitted. County: report submitted.

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R4.) Justice: no report submitted. It was the consensus that this item be deleted from future agendas, since the Justice is not overseen by the Town Board. The Supervisor will ask NBT Bank to modify the Justice account mailing address to include a title on the statements. By doing so, statements can be directed to the Justice and kept confidential.

R5.) DCO: no report submitted

R6.) Attorney: no report submitted

R7.) Smithville Day. Report submitted by email. A wrap-up meeting is scheduled for June 21st. There was general discussion of the event. Next year's Smithville Day is scheduled for Flag Day, June 14, 2014.

R8.) Community Center: CC Inspection report items discussion. Supervisor Heisler and Councilmen Cammarata and Ludwig will work on the following items:

- door handle on front door
- light post installation for side entrance
- cigarette disposal receptacle—placed in hot water heater closet for safekeeping

R9.) Playground Committee: report submitted. The June 22nd work day was noted.

R10.) Town Clerk: report submitted.

R11.) Highway: no report submitted. Highway Superintendent Kinney gave a verbal report and will provide a written report. He spoke with the Sheriff's Department about cemetery maintenance and provided a list of the Smithville cemeteries needing attention. He was optimistic that the work detail would see to the two Tyner cemeteries and Knickerbocker cemetery. The County provides workers, gas, and equipment (but no chainsaw work can be done). It is possible they will maintain other cemeteries as time permits, as will Town employees.

According to the County Planning Board, Smithville's bridge replacement project has been delayed until 2018. The two bridges near the Town Barn are on the Watch List, with no projected dates.

The State will send a work detail to address a water problem on an abandoned road that leads to State land. The problem impacts Siriani's camp.

The DEC is concerned with Town work completed on Pond Creek. They will issue a new permit (possible fee of \$250) and require that more work to meet their specifications be done by October 15th.

The Highway Department is down one employee. There was general discussion of the appropriate staffing level. Superintendent Kinney is accepting applications for review.

R12.) Supervisor's Report: report submitted. Supervisor Heisler reported that since his written report, he has moved funds from the General savings account to the Highway savings account. This will be reflected in next month's report.

Supervisor Heisler would like to start the budget process soon. He would like a budget in place in August.

There may be a future request for funds from the McDonough food pantry.

There was discussion of item C1, Chenango County Multi-Municipality Hazard Mitigation Plan. All County Supervisors were caught off-guard by this correspondence. While Smithville has a mitigation plan, it needs to be updated to include recent floods and to correct some inaccuracies. Supervisor Heisler will discuss this with the County and will schedule a Board work session to improve Smithville's plan. This plan must be in place to qualify for future FEMA funding.

A proposal from Randy Hay Construction for Town Hall modifications was presented. For a project of this size, no bid is required, but prevailing wage rules apply. Mr. Hay's firm was the contractor for the Smithville Presbyterian Church. His work was of good quality. Supervisor Heisler felt the proposed fee was reasonable, and the project could be started soon. There was discussion of other future building needs such as a Town Barn. It was agreed that establishing separate building fund accounts might limit flexibility and that the Citizens Bank account was a proper repository and source of building funds.

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RESOLUTION # 38 (2013): ACCEPTANCE OF RANDY HAY CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL FOR TOWN HALL MODIFICATIONS

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

Ayes Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammerata, Heisler
Nayes 0

RESOLVED to accept the June 17, 2013 proposal of Randy Hay Construction for \$17,448 for reconstruction of Town Hall offices, to be funded through the Town of Smithville Citizens Bank account.

MINUTES APPROVAL FOR May 20th. Minutes of the May 20th meeting were reviewed. Councilman Whitmore offered two corrections. On Resolution # 35 (Fuel/Propane Bids), he abstained. On Resolution # 34 (Change Security Deposit on Community Center Application), he voted Nay. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Councilman Cammerata, 2nd by Councilwoman Vanderweyde. All five Board members voted aye: Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, and Heisler.

WARRANTS

General Warrant # 6, Vouchers # 72-83, in the amount of \$2,202.36 were presented for payment. Voucher #72 had been paid. A motion to pay these bills was made by Councilwoman Vanderweyde, 2nd by Councilman Whitmore; all five Board members, Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, and Heisler were in favor; motion carried.

Highway Warrant # 6, Vouchers 68-77, in the amount of \$18,191.53 were presented for payment. A motion to pay these bills was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2nd by Councilwoman Vanderweyde. All five Board members, Vanderweyde, Whitmore, Ludwig, Cammarata, and Heisler were in favor; motion carried.

There was no other business to come before the Board. A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Cammarata, 2nd by Councilman Ludwig. All five Board members were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm. The next meeting is July 15, 2013.

Christine E. Buck

Smithville Deputy Town Clerk