

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

July 9, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of Genoa, Cayuga County, State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 1000 Bartnick Road, Genoa NY on July 9, 2008

Present:	Stuart Underwood, Supervisor	Frank Sellen
	Dale Sellen, Council Member	Hans Pecher
	Peggy Bradley, Council Member	Kim Bennett
	Lorie Fessenden, Council Member	
	Sue Moss, Town Clerk	

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by S. Underwood with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Kim Bennett, Town Justice, updated the Board on his approved grant proposal. He will be submitting another grant proposal which is due in August. The money is for court upgrades. The Court will be moved downstairs because the Court is to have either bullet-proof glass in the windows or no windows at all and there is just one window downstairs in the Town Hall. The kitchen and elections will be moved upstairs. New carpet and an enhanced heating system will need to be installed downstairs. If awarded the new grant, perhaps this money can be used for that purpose. It is hoped this will be accomplished before the November elections.

Judge Bennett also informed the Board that as of June 16, it was mandatory for all Court proceedings to be recorded.

A bailiff will be needed in the new court room (armed peace officer). The Board suggested a flat rate, not hourly for the bailiff.

RESOLUTION: TO PROCEED WITH PROJECT & GRANT APPLICATION

On a motion by Bradley, seconded by Fessenden, the above resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Fessenden, Bradley, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To proceed with court project and grant application

CLERK’S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk’s Office for June 2008

Building Permits: \$ 700.50

Dog Licenses: \$ 93.50

Supervisor: \$38.42

CC Treasurer: 34.08

Ag & Mkts: 21.00

Disbursements for June:

Pd to Supervisor: \$ 833.92

Pd to CC Treasurer for dog licenses \$ 34.08

Pd to Ag & Mkts for dog licenses \$ 21.00

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT June CLERK’S REPORT

On a motion by Fessenden, seconded by Sellen, the above resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Fessenden, Bradley, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept Clerk's Report for June

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION: APPROVE June 11 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
On a motion by Fessenden, seconded by Sellen, the above resolution was
ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Fessenden, Bradley, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept June 11, 2008 minutes

RESOLUTION: APPROVE June 25 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING MINUTES
APPROVE June 25 ASSESSOR AND REVAL ASSISTANT MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Bradley, seconded by Fessenden, the above resolution was
ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Fessenden, Bradley, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept June 25, 2008 minutes

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

WATER REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

The total gallons pumped for the month of June was 2,122,200

Average daily usage was 70,700 gallons

The water at the Triangle Restaurant has been hooked up. Once we dug up the water main, we were able to locate the original line and trace it, so no bore was needed.

The clear well at the pump house was inspected last week – everything looked good. They will be sending me a copy of the video.

The Town is going to hold off purchasing a new water truck until the '09 models are out. The current truck will be taken to auction and Mark will drive the Town's red pick-up until the truck is purchased.

HISTORIAN

Stuart read a letter sent to Sheriff Gould from Hans Pecher thanking him for the inmates who painted the School House. Hans informed Sheriff Gould that an excellent job was done.

PROGRAMS & GRANTS

Fessenden, Lorie

The Swim Program started Monday, July 7. There were 68 participants the first day and 60 on Wednesday.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

During the month of June, six building permits were issued and five inspections were conducted.

There was a complaint about a porch being built on a house without a permit. After investigation, it was discovered that the porches were being replaced. No permit was required.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Sellen, Dale

In June, the men have been hauling more stone for chip sealing and crusher run for the stockpile. Jake has been running the ditcher in between mowing and patching. The men have also been helping Locke, Venice and Ledyard with their chip sealing and paving. We should be starting our chip sealing early next week. Mark has been grading and leveling gravel on some of our gravel roads.

The men have been building chip bars for all three trucks. This should allow us to lock into a power chipper for sealing. The road should end up smoother and save on stone.

The new tractor is leaking oil again. Monroe Tracor is aware of this and this will be covered under warranty.

As soon as the mowing is done, we will get it fixed.

Cayuga County Soil and Water is working on a plan of action for the scour condition of the bridge on Creek Road. They plan to build a rock trench along the abutment. This should satisfy the DOT. This should alleviate the scour condition.

A big thank you to Mitch Brown and his mobile work crew for their time spent on the Wilcox Cemetery. They spent two days cutting and using our weed wackers to clear more of the cemetery. Mitch said he plans to return, and try to do more if time allows. He also wanted to look at the doors and foundation on the hay barn. The drainage ditch on Bradley Street by Frank Mitchell is done. The old clay tile was broken and causing sink holes in his lawn. The Town of Locke brought their backhoe and did the digging for us. A new solid plastic line was installed.

Frank explained that Mitch Brown and his crew travel around doing jobs that will teach his crew members different trades. There was no cost to the Town for this.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

The May report was distributed.

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

On a motion by Fessenden, seconded by Sellen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Underwood, Fessenden, Bradley, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept the May Supervisor's Report

BILLS

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT June BILLS

On a motion by Fessenden, seconded by Bradley, the above resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Fessenden, Bradley, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept above mentioned bills

DOG REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

A report was received from Carl Collier

OLD BUSINESS

Stuart received a draft from the CDRC (Community Dispute Resolution Center) concerning the Salmon Creek Water Shed. This may want to be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan.

With regard to the Center Road closing; a petition has been given to Frank Turek Jr., one of the property owners along this road. He will sign it and have his brother, David Turek, sign also. Other property owners, John Mann and his sister Maureen Teator will also be signing and the petition will be returned to Stuart.

A discussion is ongoing with Guy Krogh, the Town Attorney, concerning the sale of the Town dump site. There was a meeting on June 26 with the State DOT concerning the Little Salmon bridge. The State wants to close the bridge to traffic while work is being done. The Town has asked for a bypass because of school bus traffic and emergency vehicles. This bypass would add an estimated \$600,000 to the \$1.2 million cost. As it stands now, the bridge will be closed in July '09 and reopen in September or October. The School Transportation manager, Brett Johnson, said it would be easier for the students if their bus routes were changed at the end of the school year instead of the beginning. Gary Finch asked if it is feasible to wait until 2010 to close the bridge. Then the project could be started in May or June and reopen in August before school started. The DOT will look into this.

The appointment of Heather Garner as the Town's new Assessor was discussed. Her duties will be gleaned from the "Explanation of Expectations, Town of Summerhill" handout received by the Board at the June 25 meeting with Heather and Kay Dougherty. Stuart will draw up a contract for Heather and Kay. There are 1365 parcels to be revalued. This will cover 2008-2009. Perhaps another one will be needed in 2011. It will depend upon the equalization rate.

NEW BUSINESS

Marilyn Mann has asked to hold a Saddle Club meeting at the Town Hall on July 21. She also asked permission to park horse trailers at the Town Hall on August 9. The Board suggested the trailers park in the field to the north of the Town Hall.

Peggy updated the Board on the internet situation. Some of the reasons the grant was denied were:
Potential for subscribers
How many would definitely subscribe
Economic development potential
How many businesses in the Town of Genoa are owned by women/minorities

Clarity Connect is talking with the Town of Venice to perhaps join with the Town of Genoa in the grant application.

With no further business:

On a motion by Fessenden, seconded by Sellen, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Ayes: 4: Fessenden, Bradley, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0