

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

January 7, 2009

A Regular and Organizational 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 January 7, 2009

Present:	Stuart Underwood, Supervisor	Doug LaFave
	Peggy Bradley, Council Member	Mike Shurtleff
	Cheryl Shields, Council Member	Earl Lenhard
	Dale Sellen, Council Member	Karin Wickoff
	Sue Moss, Town Clerk	

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by S. Underwood with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Ed Lenhard, a petroleum landman from Elexco Land Services, Inc. spoke to the Board again about leasing the Town’s ten acres of land (for mineral rights) where the Town Hall is located plus five acres of cemeteries.

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT the lease agreement with Elexco Land Services
On a motion by Sellen, seconded by Shields, the above resolution was
ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Shields, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept the lease agreement with Elexco

Doug LaFave talked about the number of trailers in East Genoa and asked if building permits had been issued. He is concerned about the condition of these trailers and the number of occupants involved. If there were to be a fire, a life (or lives) could be lost. He is trying to avoid this and has asked for the Town’s help.

A Fire Marshall could be appointed to work in conjunction with the Code Enforcement Officer. Also, Town laws may need to be passed to remedy this situation. NYS rental laws may not be enough.

The Comprehensive Plan needs to address this situation.

Stuart will contact Guy Krogh (Town Attorney) to set up a time when he and Doug can meet with Guy to discuss this situation.

CLERK’S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk’s Office for December 2008

Building Permits: \$ 181.00

Dog Licenses:

Total received: \$ 113.00

Supervisor: \$ 50.35

CC Treasurer: 44.65

Ag & Mkts: 18.00

Disbursements for December:

Pd to Supervisor: \$ 291.35

Pd to CC Treasurer for dog licenses \$ 44.65

Pd to Ag & Mkts for dog licenses \$ 18.00

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT December CLERK’S REPORT

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

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Shields, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept Clerk's Report for December

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION: APPROVE December 10 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Underwood, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept December 10, 2008 minutes

RESOLUTION: APPROVE December 29 YEAR-END MEETING MINUTES

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

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Underwood, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept December 29, 2008 year-end meeting minutes

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

WATER REPORT

None

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Shields, Cheryl

The Committee went over what was discussed with Guy Krogh at the Public Meeting

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

None

HISTORIAN

None

PROGRAMS AND GRANTS

None

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

Three building permits were issued and six inspections conducted for the month of December.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Sellen, Dale

In December the men have applied 609 ton of salt/cinder mix to our State roads and 439 ton of the mix to our Town and County roads. The State tickets are complete and sent in.

The ice and snow has been more than steady since early November, really taxing our supply of materials. It's been a challenge to keep up with cutting edges and repairs needed for the removal.

Frank was wondering whether to take advantage of the savings from Coveralls pro-rated price on a new cover.

RESOLUTION: APPROVE the purchase of a cover from Coverall

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

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Underwood, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To purchase a cover

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

Hold until February

BILLS

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT December BILLS

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

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Underwood, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept above mentioned bills with resolution of a question about Kay Dougherty being paid in 2009 for work done in 2008. This was done so as not to disrupt her State retirement.

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Underwood, Stuart

The following was sent in by Heather Garner:

I am in the height of exemption administration. All exemptions requiring renewal have been mailed to property owners. Exemption renewals and 1st time applications are due by March 1st.

I am also in the most intense months for the revaluation process. I am finalizing preliminary values. Property owners are still returning property description reports so I am working on updating their inventory and revising their new assessment values. I will be unable to hold regular office hours between the dates of February 12th and April 13th.

During this time I will be meeting the required appointments and deadlines for the revaluation process to be completed. I will be at the County Office Building working with Fred several days setting up and printing the disclosure notices. The notices must be in the mail approximately March 1st. Once these notices are printed, they will have to be stuffed and mailed out. Then property owners will have the opportunity to make an appointment in March to discuss the new values.

After I have met for all appointments, I will have to review all data and inventory for each property to determine if any changes to assessment values are needed. I also have to enter all changes into V-4 before we are shutdown in April by the County for the printing of Tentative Assessment rolls.

Please remember, if a resident needs me, they may call my cell phone at 315-806-5500. I will be happy to help them in any way I am able.

Also, I am unable to determine an assessment by owner, income, or any other non-real property factor. All assessments are determined by the analysis of past sales in the town. The new values reflect a snapshot in time ... July 1, 2008. All sales are adjusted to reflect a transfer on July 1 and all assessments are determined by the market value as of July 1, 2008.

All assessment inventory and value information is/will be available at the Cayuga County website: www.co.cayuga.ny.us Go to the Real Property Tax Services site then Image Mate Online with free public access.

Feel free to post this report for residents to review.

The insurance situation with GHA has been remedied.

A question about GHA insurance being included in the Town policy is being looked into by Jackie Tyrrell.

A memo of agreement between GHA and the Town is 13 years old. This memo includes responsibility for payment of phone bills, utility bills, also snow plowing and septic tank pumping. Peggy Bradley will redo this agreement and present it to the Board.

Peggy will be attending the Annual Association of Towns Meeting on February 15 – 18 in New York City. She needs Board approval to vote on the different issues. Each member was given the meeting agenda and it will be decided at the February 11 Board meeting.

DOG REPORT

None

OLD BUSINESS

Karin Wickoff mentioned the next Comprehensive Plan Meeting which will be held on January 15 at 7 p.m. The survey results will be discussed.

Steve Lynch from the Cayuga County Planning Board will be here on February 2 at 6 p.m. to discuss Comprehensive Plan guidelines. This is a public meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Dog enumeration and a new dog law for license fee increases will be discussed at the next Board meeting in February.

Gene Reynolds is the Cayuga County Planning Board representative

CONSIDERATION OF VERIFICATIONS, APPOINTMENTS, AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT the Verifications, Appointments, and Resolutions as presented to the Board

On a motion of Bradley, seconded by Sellen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

Ayes: 4: Underwood, Shields, Sellen, Bradley

Nays: 0

Resolved accept Verifications, Appointments, and Resolutions as presented to the Board

Dale Sellen asked why the Board can't have the Supervisor's Report each month. Stuart said this can be done and will ask Bonnie to send the Clerk a file which can be emailed to each board member before each meeting.

With no further business:

On a motion by Shields, seconded by Sellen, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Ayes: 4: Underwood, Bradley, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0