

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

June 10, 2009

The 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 June 10, 2009

Present:	Stuart Underwood, Supervisor	Frank Sellen
	Peggy Bradley, Council Member	Kim Bennett
	Cheryl Shields, Council Member	Michael Piechuta
	Dale Sellen, Council Member	Brenda Tyrrell
	Lorie Fessenden, Council Member	Vincent Giordano
	Sue Moss, Town Clerk	

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by S. Underwood with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Stuart informed the Board members that Wayne Smith, the Town’s Code Enforcement Officer, is leaving effective June 30, 2009. Stuart has received inquiries about the position from 4 people.

Vincent Giordano, who is interested in the position, spoke to the Board about his qualifications. He has a home on Clearview Road.

Mick Piechuta asked about the CEO’s salary. The salary is \$9000 per year plus mileage and partial payment of the cell phone.

Kim handed out the “Checklist for Review of Justice Court Records” to the Board members. This checklist is to help the Board when they audit the Court.

CLERK’S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk’s Office for May 2009

Decals \$ 1.88

Dog Licenses:

Total received: \$133.00

Supervisor: \$ 53.00

CC Treasurer: 53.00 (this includes \$6 for 2 replacement tags)

Ag & Mkts: 27.00

Building Permits \$503.00

Disbursements for May:

Pd to Supervisor: \$ 557.88

Pd to CC Treasurer for dog licenses \$ 53.00

Pd to Ag & Mkts for dog licenses \$ 27.00

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT May 2009 CLERK’S REPORT

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

Ayes: 5: Bradley, Shields, Fessenden, Underwood, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept Clerk’s Report for May 2009

Sue Moss asked the Board if it would be possible to pay Tonya Miles for her ongoing work on the Town of Genoa website. She charges clients \$65 per hour but said she would accept whatever the Board deemed appropriate. It was suggested that we pay her \$65 per month.

RESOLUTION: PAY TONYA MILES \$65 PER MONTH FOR HER WORK ON THE TOG WEBSITE

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

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Shields, Fessenden, Underwood

Nays: 0

Abstain: Sellen

Resolved: To pay Tonya Miles for her website work

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION: APPROVE May 13, 2009 MINUTES

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

Ayes: 5: Bradley, Underwood, Fessenden, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept May 13, 2009 minutes

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

WATER REPORT (April/May 2009)

Shields, Cheryl

The total gallons pumped for the month of April was 1,867,800

The average daily usage was 62,200 gallons

The total gallons pumped for the month of May was 2,339,700

The average daily usage was 75,470 gallons

The meter reading went well, the new meter reader worked very well and is a lot easier to use.

The power line has been installed to the storage barn at the pump house

The 2009 New York Rural Water Conference was a good one with a lot of informative classes. Some of the highlights were: process monitoring in water treatment; meter management; excavation safety; communicating with clarity; and providing value-added service, just to name a few

It was brought up that Mark Conner doesn't charge mileage on weekends, holidays and emergency service when he is working.

RESOLUTION: APPROVE Mark Conner CHARGING MILEAGE WHEN HE WORKS ON WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS AND EMERGENCY SERVICE CALL OUTS

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

Ayes: 5: Bradley, Underwood, Fessenden, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To pay mileage to Mark Conner for his weekend, holiday and emergency service work.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Shields, Cheryl

Present at the meeting: Cheryl Shields, Micky Piechuta, Tom Hamilton, Brenda Tyrrell

- Discussed the beginning outline for restructuring the water district
- Also discussed Mickey Piechuta taking over as head of the Water Committee, he agreed
- Cheryl will still be the liaison to the Town Board and will continue to take and present the minutes

This is just a preliminary outline but we do need to start the MPR

1. MAP PLAN REPORT

- a. Resolution to proceed w/the MPR & updates
- b. Contact Steve Lynch
- c. Contact Town Attorney

2. DECIDE TAX ASSESSMENT ON ASSESSED VALUE OR EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT (EDU)

3. REWRITE WATER DISTRICT LAW TO BE A WHOLE

- a. Public Hearing
- b. Eliminate outside contract users
- c. Separate water bill down to sections
 - 1) Water usage expense
 - 2) Maintenance expense
- d. Capital Improvement
 - 1) Get the Capital Reserve Fund going

4. PUBLIC VOTE ON NEW LAW

The number 1 priority of the Water Committee is to get the MPR done first. This will cost approximately \$8000.

The goal of the Committee is to make the TOG water district one district with no outside hookups. To proceed with the MPR, the Town needs a resolution.

RESOLUTION: TO PROCEED WITH THE MPR AND UPDATES

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

Ayes: 5: Bradley, Underwood, Fessenden, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To proceed with the MPR and updates.

Roll called by the Clerk:

Underwood – Aye

Shields – Aye

Fessenden – Aye

Sellen – Aye

Bradley - Aye

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Underwood, Stuart

Barb Woods will no longer be doing the cleaning of the Town Hall after a replacement is found. Peggy is going to find out who cleans the School House/Museum

HISTORIAN

No report

PROGRAMS AND GRANTS

Fessenden, Lorie

Lorie submitted the payroll for the Summer Program along with the 2009 Swim Program personnel list and budget.

RESOLUTION: TO ACCEPT THE 2009 SWIM PROGRAM PAYROLL, BUDGET AND PERSONNEL LIST

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

Ayes: 4: Bradley, Underwood, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Abstain: Fessenden

Resolved: To accept 2009 Swim Program

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

Stuart read Wayne Smith's letter of resignation effective June 30, 2009

Five building permits were issued.

Five inspections were conducted.

A variance was requested by Mr. Bakouris in relation to placing a pole structure closer than 10 feet to the property line.

Four people have expressed an interest in the CEO position.

Schooling for this position consists of 5 weeks training. Mickey Piechuta was of the opinion that the schooling must be completed before starting this position. In the interim, he has offered to fill in as CEO (he has retired from his full-time position as a CEO) until a replacement is found.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Sellen, Dale

After going over the bids for the new loader, Frank suggested that the Board should consider purchasing the John Deere loader. Even though it is a little more money, it would be more usable and the Town would get more machine for the money. The decision was made to order the John Deere. The build-out date will be July 24th and probably we will be waiting for the 4-in-1 bucket that was ordered with it. The buy-back program will start when the final payment is received in January.

The 550 Ford dump truck was sold online at the Tietsworth auction for \$16,600. It was a little under what they thought it would bring but after saving the 10% sellers premium, we still made out well.

With over an inch and a half of rain in about 20 minutes, the men have been jumping from road to road trying to take care of the worst spots first. In many places, there was 3 feet of topsoil that washed from freshly planted fields. The men have also been digging out soft spots and adding road fabric and crushed stone. Eric and Jake built a scraper that attaches to the bucket for cleaning out under the guide rails; it worked well and should let the water off the shoulders instead of running down the edges.

Frank attended his sixth year at Cornell Highway School. With some new concepts, it was quite interesting as usual.

Mike Nolan has asked that the sides of Bruton Road not be mowed because of his pheasants. Frank will hold off until the last possible date.

The shortcut road at Eldred's is a County road not a Town road. Stuart will contact the Eldreds to inform them that they need to contact the County with regard to having that road closed.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

April and May reports were handed out. Stuarts needs to make some minor corrections before they can be approved.

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Underwood, Stuart

Heather sent a report.

Final Assessment Roll will be available July 1, 2009. February was spent finalizing the Preliminary Assessment Roll, organizing exemptions and getting them on the roll. We also drove the Town to check specific sites/issues. Kay and I mailed all the notices and Kay handled the scheduling for informals.

March brought informal Hearing appointments. Both Kay and I met with property owners. We reviewed about 170 property values submitted for personal meetings, mailed letters and e-mails.

April - we prepared for Tentative Assessment Roll (May 1st). Prepared for the BAR (Board of Assessment Review).

May – sat with the rolls 4 days and talked to many property owners by email and phone

June 4 – Board of Assessment Review

BILLS

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT May 2009 BILLS

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

ADOPTED

Ayes: 5: Bradley, Underwood, Fessenden, Shields, Sellen

Nays: 0

Resolved: To accept above mentioned bills

DOG REPORT

Underwood, Stuart

Carl Collier hand-delivered his dog report to the Town Hall. This report covered the months of April and May.

OLD BUSINESS

Stuart received a letter from the State concerning the bridge replacement project taking place in 2010. It discussed the water line replacement that will need to be done.

NEW BUSINESS

- Steve Lynch sent a letter regarding the new Finger Lakes Cultural & Natural Museum project. The county is looking for a place to construct a 9000 square foot building.

- A letter was received from Darren Wojtanik: (His Mom wrote – “My son is 8 yrs. Old. Thank you for your time.” Kim [Workman] Wojtanik)

Dear Genoa Town Hall. My name is Darren Wojtanik and I am the grandson of Doug and Sue Workman. I am writing to see how much the Genoa Central School is to buy. My family would like to buy it to turn it into a school again so we can create a sence of community. My mom went there from first to fith grade and she has wonderful memories. Please contact me at Thank you. Sincerely, Darren Wojtanik. Sorry about the scribley marks.

Stuart will call Darren to let him know that the Town of Genoa does not own the building.

- Peggy Bradley brought up the fact that Verifications, Appointments, and Resolutions was never finalized. Stuart will work on it.

- A Dog Enumerator still has not been found.

- Dan DalCais has stepped down as the Chairman of the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Dave Stilwell will take over the position. A key to the Town Hall front door will be given to Dave Stilwell.

- There will be an article in the next issue of the Tribune, submitted by Kim Bennett, regarding the new Court Room.

- The Clerk will look into other telephone carriers for the Town Hall.
- Information will be presented to the Board at the July meeting (by the Supervisor) regarding a new Renai heater for the Court Room.
- Shared services was brought up by Peggy.

With no further business:

On a motion by Shields, seconded by Sellen, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Ayes: 5: Underwood, Bradley, Shields, Sellen and Fessenden

Nays: 0