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 November 10, 2010

Present Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor Frank Sellen, Hgwy Supt

Cheryl Shields, Board Member Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement

Dale Sellen, Board Member Mark Conner, Water Supt

Al Armstrong, Board Member - absent

Sue Moss, Clerk

Visitors: Sjana McClure-Berry, Jay Ardai, Dan Fessenden, Joyce Lovelace, Anne Dalton, Jeffrey

Layton, Phil Dann, Maria Bachich, Karin Wikoff, Donna Webster, Donna Mitchell, Fran Mitchell, Don Potter, Anto Parseghian, Roberta Parseghian, Jay Clark and Dave

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The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Supervisor Lorie Fessenden with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Jeff Layton, Anne Dalton, Dan Fessenden and Jay Clark spoke to the Board about the Southern Cayuga Instant Aid organization. During 2009 there were 200 calls for ambulance service and all 200 calls were answered by Instant Aid. They operate with a budget of \$155,000. Anne told the Board about a newsletter that is generated by the organization.

RESOLUTION 87-2010 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Sellen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields

Nays 0

Resolved that the regular meeting minutes of October 13, 2010 be approved.

RESOLUTION 88-2010 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Fessenden, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields

Nays 0

Resolved that the Budget Hearing minutes of October 25, 2010 be approved.

RESOLUTION 89-2010 APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS

On a motion of Supervisor Fessenden acting as Board Member Fessenden, seconded by Board Member Shields, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields

Nays 0

Resolved that 3 transfers be approved. \$ 260.37 from A1990.4 to A1620.4

\$ 456.82 from DA5112.21 to DA 5140.4

\$9043.68 from DA5112.21 to DA5112.24

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Fessenden

RESOLUTION 90-2010 APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

On a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Sellen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields

Nays 0

Resolved that the October Supervisor's Report be approved

CLERK'S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk's Office for October 2010 Decals \$ 6.34 Building Permits 424.00

Dog Licenses

Total received \$97.00

Disbursements for October

Pd to Supervisor	\$ 515.39
Pd to CC Treasurer for dog licenses	\$ 39.95
Pd to Ag & Markets for dog licenses	\$ 12.00

RESOLUTION 91-2010 CLERK'S REPORT

On a motion of Supervisor Fessenden acting as Board Member Fessenden, seconded by Board Member Sellen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields Navs 0

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Resolved that the October 2010 Clerk's Report be accepted

The Clerk presented the Final Revision of the 2011 Preliminary Budget to the Board.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Dale Sellen

The men have hauled in over 1600 ton of cinders from AES Cayuga. The Town of Ledyard hauled for us also, to help finish filling our storage barn. Our trucks hauled in 300 ton of sand from RMS gravel and Cargill brought in 300 ton of deicing salt. This should get us through the winter season. The men have been getting there plow frames on the trucks and have had a sander in a couple of times to be ready in case.

Mahaney road, from Rt.90 to Center road is complete with shoulders and has been chip sealed with 1 A stone. The men have been cutting the shoulders on Center road and hauling the sod away, getting ready for rebuilding and graveling in the spring.

The new John Deere pay loader was delivered the 26th. The men changed the bucket and switched everything over from the old one to the new one. There ended up being 268 hours on it @ \$10.00 per meter hour.

Frank hauled debris from the Historical building and the Town Hall after the inmates loaded it. They also took the wood chipper to the Palmer cemetery and ground up the wood that they piled in the road ditch. Looked like they done a great job.

Frank meant with Doug Kearst from Cayuga County Soil and Water Dept. about a complaint from a landowner on Shingle Valley Road. After walking most of the road and checking on what the Town had done, he concluded that the two 6" field tile that were emptied into our road ditch had in fact overwhelmed the two tiles that carried the water across the land owner's field. He also concluded that the tiles that were installed at least 35 years ago had probably taken on silt, which also decreased its capacity. He said when he got time he would look at the topographical maps to determine the actual water shed area. Then he could give us an exact size for the correct diameter pipe that would be adequate to handle the flow.

The Snow Plow Agreement with the County was signed and notarized.

Legislator Francis Mitchell spoke to the Board and audience about the Cayuga County Biogas Project that has been in development for 8 years. Legislator Mitchell informed everyone that the project will be decided upon by the County not the County residents. He also spoke about the Emergency Radio System.

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Lorie Fessenden

<u>Exemptions</u>: Renewal applications are ready to be mailed. Thank you to Cheryl Shields who has offered to stuff and mail them this year. I have spent many hours reviewing each renewal application and requesting documents to assist in verifying the eligibility of each exemption.

<u>Agricultural Exemptions</u>: I spoke to Valerie at Cayuga County Soil and Water to discuss streamlining the process of requesting and receiving new current and accurate soil maps. She provided me with the questionnaire they required to be completed by applicants and will be included with the renewal application. I have also provided 5 year lease agreements with the renewals as well as made notes to the owner regarding any other relevant information regarding their exemption.

Assessment Clerk Position: I greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with Lorie and Cheryl to discuss the possibility of an Assessment Clerk in the future. Some of the reasons I feel an Assessment Clerk would be an asset for the Town of Genoa are ability to become more efficient within the assessment office. It would allow a system of checks and balances, a local friendly face and better record management. Although I am willing and able to continue managing the assessment task alone, I feel the long-term benefits for the Town of Genoa residents would far outweigh the minimal cost. During a reassessment approximately 80 hours would be used during the informal process. This would include the week to make appointments and the week of appointments. 100 hours a year would average 4 hours a week for 6 months. 300 hours a year would average 6 hours a week for 12 months. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 315-806-5500 or email assessorgarner@yahoo.com

Respectfully submitted, Heather Garner, Assessor

Additional notation to the report:

<u>Cyclical Assessment:</u> In the past Genoa has paid approximately \$30,000 to 35,000 per Reassessment Project while only gaining \$6800 back in reimbursement aid. Either the bi-annual or the annual cyclical reassessment would offer the town the opportunity to stay current w/assessments. Either option is more cost-effective than past projects. With the help of a clerk, in-house reassessments will continue to become more accurate and more resident friendly.

Because the Assessment Clerk position was not included in the 2011 budget, Supervisor Fessenden and Board Member Shields have offered to help Heather. Also, Board Member Sellen has offered to drive around and take pictures for her. Lorie feels that reassessment should be done every year. The cost would be lower if done this way. There will be a special meeting scheduled before December 1 to discuss this matter.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Mick Piechuta

Monthly Report

Date 10/14/10 - 11/10/10 Regular Hours 21

Training Hours 35 Regular Miles 70 Training Miles 118

PERMITS ISSUED:

10 - 33	T Rejman	Rte 90	Renovations
10 - 34 (R)	S Raymundo	Bartnick Road	Modular Home
10 - 35	J Eld/K Vreeland	Rte 34	Storage Building
10 - 36	B MacArthur	Rte 90	Mobile Home

INSPECTIONS

G Relyea Rte 34

T Meyers Atwater Road F Krebs Atwater Road S Raymundo Bartnick Road

Community Propane Rte 34 T. Rejman Rte 90

CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY

J Grant Rte 90 Mobile Home S Raymundo Bartnick Road Pole Barn

COMMENTS/OUESTIONS/CONCERNS

Attended NYS Fire Marshal's and Inspector's Conference

Accepted variance request from M Miller-T Lawyer on lot size variance on Atwater Road

Research Mobile Home Park in Little Hollow

Talked to resident at FL #5 about replacing home

Received variance approval from State for F Krebs and J Grant

Met with prospective tenant at the Heary Store in King Ferry

Continue working on inspections of apartments and business's in the Town

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Cheryl Shields

No meeting this month. Still waiting for info from Mr. Buhl

WATER REPORT

Mark Conner

Water usage for the month of October – 1,800,400 gallons

Average water usage – 58,000 gallons

Resolution 92-2010 APPROVAL OF BILLS

On a motion of Supervisor Fessenden acting as Board Member Fessenden, seconded by Board Member Shields, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields

Nays 0

Resolved to accept presented bills.

Resolution 93-2010 APPROVAL OF 2011 BUDGET

On a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Sellen, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields

Nays 0

Resolved to adopt the 2011 budget for the Town of Genoa

DOG CONTROL REPORT

None

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

None

HISTORIAN

None

OLD BUSINESS

With regard to the Town signs, the Board still has questions about their installation. Will Mark Dunham do it or will the Town? This has been tabled until the special meeting as Board Member Armstrong is absent and he was going to find out more about this.

Supervisor Fessenden mentioned that a group of Cayuga County prisoners were transported to the Town Hall and the Museum to wash windows and some yard work. They did a very satisfactory job on October 25/26.

There are still some unanswered assessment questions which the Supervisor will speak about with the Assessor.

The dog license fees will be discussed at the special meeting as will the Dog Control Officer position for 2011.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 94-2010 APPROVAL OF SECOND SIGNATURE AT CLNB

On a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Fessenden, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields Nays 0

Resolved to approve second signature at CLNB

The Town employees Health Savings Account which is now at Elmira Savings Bank will be moved to CLNB.

Health insurance has increased 9% not the 15% that was predicted.

Lorie asked the Board members think of someone who might be willing to serve as a fourth board member.

With the departure of former Supervisor Peggy Bradley, the Comprehensive Plan Committee has no liaison from the Town Board. Maria Bachich said that the Committee meets the 2nd Monday of each month. The Board will decide who will take over this position

Donna Webster stated her willingness to act as the dog enumerator for the Town.

With no further business, on a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Sellen, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. Carried unanimously

Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk	