

## MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

December 8, 2010

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 December 8, 2010

Present	Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor	Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement
	Cheryl Shields, Board Member	Don Potter
	Dale Sellen, Board Member	Maria Bachich
	Al Armstrong, Board Member	
	Sue Moss, Clerk	

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m. by Supervisor Lorie Fessenden with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Maria Bachich spoke to the Board as a representative of the Comprehensive Planning Committee. She brought the Board up-to-date on the progress of the Committee. They have been taking inventory of what the Town has and are finished except for land use. There is a meeting in January to further discuss this. Some of the items residents are concerned about and have made known to the Committee through surveys and attending meetings are: municipal waste, lack of internet service other than dial-up, code violations, fire department concerns voiced by the fire chiefs, lack of parks, playgrounds, a central meeting place, lack of public access to the lake, water contamination by animal waste, and possible flooding. It was also noted that the religious community is declining and there are no mosques or synagogues. Maria told the Board that 90% of the Town of Genoa residents buy bottled drinking water. There is a very large cottage industry in the Town, there is a lack of vitality, especially in King Ferry and the 4 corners of King Ferry need to be cleaned up. Young people are leaving the Town for better opportunities. There are no medical or dental services in the Town and there is one veterinarian. Maria asked if the Board members are "on board" with the formation of a comprehensive plan. The supervisor stated that there is money set aside in the Town budget for the Committee so this shows support.

### RESOLUTION 99-2010 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Armstrong

Nays 0

Resolved that the special meeting minutes from November 22, 2010 be approved.

## REPORTS

### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Fessenden

Because of inclement weather, the bookkeeper was unable to produce the Supervisor's Report for November. It will be presented at the Year-end meeting.

The Town signs are done. It's possible there will be a donation for part of the cost. Supervisor Fessenden has emailed GHA, Marilyn Mann, Mark Dunham and Fran Mitchell concerning this. At this time, the Town will be paying a portion of the total bill from Mark's Glass.

**RESOLUTION 100-2010 APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS**

On a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Armstrong, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Armstrong  
Nays 0

Resolved that 1 transfer be approved. \$3600.00 from A1990.4 to A7510.4

At the November 10 Board meeting, 3 transfers were approved by the Board. Only 2 were needed.

**HIGHWAY REPORT**

Dale Sellen

In November the men have been hauling gravel for the gravel sections of roads that are left, while Eric was leveling it off with the grader. The men have also been working on some of the approaches and intersections that were rutted from traffic. Jake has been ditching and cleaning culverts that filled in from the rain we had. The men have also been hauling creek gravel that settled in front of our bridges. Jake has also done some patching and mowing, trimming the backsides of fields now that the crops are gone.

The men have the trucks outfitted with the plows and wings and have hooked up the sanders, as you probably already know. Eric and Jeff have been working on the grader, fixing the steering stabilizer, service and belts. They also dressed it with its plow frames for winter. Looks as though it might get used plenty.

**REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS**

**ASSESSOR'S UPDATE**

Lorie Fessenden

The Town Assessor is to have the answers to Mr. Potter's questions to the Supervisor by December 22. They will then be conveyed to Mr. Potter.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Mick Piechuta

Monthly Report

Date: 11/10/10 - 12/8/10 Hours: 24.5  
Miles: 75

PERMITS ISSUED:

10 - 37 (R) R. Powers Sill Rd. Renovations

INSPECTIONS:

D. Nesbitt Rt. 90 T. Meyers Atwater Rd.  
Northville Hall Rt. 34B F. Krebs Atwater Rd.  
Comm. Propane Rt. 34 T. Rejman Rt. 90  
C. Sherman East Venice Rd.

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY:

Charles Sherman East Venice Rd. Swimming Pool / Deck  
Community Propane Rt. 34 Office Bldg.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

Continue researching Mobile Home Park in Little Hollow  
Submitted new Local Law concerning the new 2010 Code Enforcement Law that goes into effect the first of the year.  
Answer questions from the public concerning permits for new houses at the lake.  
Met with the Town Supervisor regarding the new code and other issues concerning the codes office.

**DOG CONTROL REPORT**

Lorie Fessenden

A report was faxed to the Town Hall. The Town was patrolled on 5 separate days during November. Two delinquent license appearance tickets were issued. A stray dog foaming at the mouth was reported. When Officer Hutton responded, the dog had left the area and was not located.

**WATER REPORT**

Dale Sellen

Water usage for the month of November – 1,841,100 gallons

Average water usage – 61,300 gallons

**WATER COMMITTEE REPORT**

Cheryl Shields

No meeting this month.

Resolution 101-2010 **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Armstrong

Nays 0

Resolved to accept presented bills.

Resolution 102-2010 **APPROVAL TO PAY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Armstrong

Nays 0

Resolved to pay the employees retirement

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

None

**HISTORIAN**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

Susie Malley, who is interested in the Dog Control Officer position, has asked the Town Board if it is possible to waive the insurance requirement. She has found the cost prohibitive. Supervisor Fessenden is looking into this. A decision will be made at the year-end meeting.

An ad may be put in the PennySaver to inform the public that there is a vacancy on the Town Board. Any interested person will be asked to attend the year-end meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Two local laws need to be adopted before the end of the year; Licensing of Dogs in the Town of Genoa and A Local law providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code in the Town of Genoa. There will be a public hearing regarding these two proposed laws at the year-end meeting. A resolution also needs to be passed concerning unsafe buildings.

Southern Cayuga Instant Aid sent a report to the Supervisor.

The Owasco Watershed Management Council held a meeting tonight. No one from the Town Board was able to attend.

A raffle consent form was sent to the Town for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. This may be moot as there is no law concerning this in the Town.

The Town Attorney sent his contract for 2011. His fee will be \$175/hour and the paralegal fee will be \$100/hour.

Supervisor Fessenden attended the Town Supervisors' meeting last week. One topic of discussion was the Towns taking over the highway responsibilities from the County. A Committee has been organized to discuss this proposal consisting of Supervisors, Board Members and Highway Superintendents. Board Member Sellen will sit on this Committee

The year-end meeting will be held at 3 p.m. on December 27. It will also be a public hearing for the two proposed laws as mentioned earlier in these minutes.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

Report on Revenues from Clerk's Office for November 2010

Building Permits	\$ 171.00
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Dog Licenses	
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Total received	\$46.00
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**Disbursements for October**

Pd to Supervisor	\$192.20
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Pd to CC Treasurer for dog licenses	\$ 18.80
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Pd to Ag & Markets for dog licenses	\$ 6.00
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**RESOLUTION 103-2010 CLERK'S REPORT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Armstrong

Nays 0

Resolved that the November 2010 Clerk's Report be accepted

With no further business, on a motion of Board Member Shields, seconded by Board Member Armstrong, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Carried unanimously

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Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk