

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

May 11, 2011

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 May 11, 2011

Present	Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor	Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement Officer
	Cheryl Shields, Board member	Frank Sellen, Highway Superintendent
	Dale Sellen, Board member	Joe Redder
	Stuart Underwood, Board member	
	Al Armstrong, Board member	
	Sue Moss, Clerk	

The Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Lorie Fessenden with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Joe Redder asked the Board about any plans to convert the field north of the Town Hall into a park/play area for the Town. Supervisor Fessenden explained that this question would be included in the Comprehensive Plan survey that will be sent out soon.

RESOLUTION 51-2011 APPROVAL OF April 13 MINUTES

On a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Sellen, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Underwood, Armstrong
Nays 0

Resolved that the meeting minutes of April 13, 2011 be approved

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Supervisor Fessenden

RESOLUTION 52-2011 APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

On a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Sellen, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Underwood, Armstrong
Nays 0

Resolved that the April Supervisor’s Report be approved

CLERK’S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk’s Office for April 2011

Certified Copies	\$ 30.00
Building Permits	35.00
Dog Licenses	277.00

Disbursements for April

Pd to Supervisor	\$ 342.00
NYS Animal Population Control Fund	38.00

Board Member Armstrong asked if the Dog Enumerator (Donna Webster) had started. The Clerk told him that Donna was in to pick up materials on May 9.

RESOLUTION 53-2011 **CLERK'S REPORT**

On a motion of Board member Sellen, seconded by Board member Shields, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Underwood, Armstrong
Nays 0

Resolved that the April 2011 Clerk's Report be accepted

HIGHWAY REPORT

Dale Sellen

In April the men have been working on the plow equipment and sanders, painting and welding and getting them in shape before storing them for winter. With a few more parts they should be in good shape. Jeff finished painting the wood chipper and has the warning labels and decals on, looks pretty good.

Eric has been running the ditcher and getting better as time goes on. They've been ditching spots and installing culverts. There looks to be plenty of ditches that need cleaning.

Frank has called UFPO to stake out Center Road for rebuilding. He contacted NYSEG about the wires in one of the three big maple trees that need to come down. He met with Mark Hildreth, the land owner, and he was in agreement with the plans for what we are going to do.

Frank filled out paper work for Workers Compensation Alliance to give them a detailed description of the work we do in the course of a year and the percentage of time spent on each thing. This is supposed to help keep the cost for our premiums lower.

Frank met with board members Dale and Stuart at George Signors to see what needed to be done. The men raked up about a five gallon pail of sod and cleaned the ends of a culvert.

Eric and Frank attended class at the Cayuga County Soil and Water about soil erosion and sediment control. The State has mandated that anyone doing excavation and impacting an acre or more must have and produce a card on sight that you have had this training.

Frank has spoke with Louis Leonard and kept him up to date on his concerns about the water on Shingle Valley Road. Both agreed that it was now up to him to see what the problem was with the water boiling up in his field.

Supervisor Fessenden handed out a report from Doug Kierst, the district manager for the Cayuga County Soil and Water Conservation District. The report was an evaluation of the drainage concern on Shingle Valley Road.

Frank Sellen will draft an ad to fill the position vacated by Jake VanBenschoten.

The manager for the Willet Dairy asked Frank about closing Sharpsteen Road from Goose Street to East Genoa Road.

George Wethey, highway superintendent for Cayuga County, asked Frank about trading a bridge for miles. The Board said no to the request.

A new pick-up has been ordered.

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

None

Supervisor Fessenden was told by Heather that there is a 2% decrease in assessments. Supervisor Fessenden would like a breakdown. She would also like to know how many agriculture exemptions there are this year compared to last.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Mick Piechuta

MAY 2011

Date: 4/14/11 – 5/11/11

Hours: 25.0

Miles: 100

PERMITS ISSUED:

11 – 11	W. Thomas	Clearview/FL#6	Shed
11 – 12	K. Gallego	Rt. 90	House
11 – 13	B. Dean	Powers Rd.	House
11 – 14	L. Goodale	Powers Rd.	Garage
11 – 15	K. Manzari	Rt.90	Roof Extension

INSPECTIONS:

J. Relyea (C of O)	Rt. 34	L. Goodale	Powers Rd.
T. Meyers	Atwater Rd.	G. Kilcer(C of O)	Indian field Rd.
K. Ward	Hill Rd.	R. Parsons	Honaco Rd
A. Grillo	Rt. 34B		

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

- Plan reviews of B. Dean, K. Gallego, and T. Meyers.
- Met with Cayuga County Health Department concerning possible problems with a residency on Blakley Road. Decided there were no health dept. concerns.
- Sent a letter to the resident on Blakley Road requesting that they clean up the rubbish and trash on that property.
- As per the inspector from the Dept. of Labor tried to make contact with the owners of the Car Wash in Genoa to do an inspection and let the boiler inspector do his job. No contact as of yet.
- Answered many questions concerning codes from residents.
- I am in the process of setting up a schedule for the inspection of business's and apartment in the Town.

WATER REPORT

None

Mark is at Conference

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

None

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING

Al Armstrong

The draft of a survey was handed out.

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Resolution 54-2011 **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Underwood, Armstrong

Nays 0

DOG CONTROL REPORT

None

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

None

HISTORIAN

None

OLD BUSINESS

The “Small Business Energy Efficiency Program” proposal from EnerPath was tabled again for further information gathering.

With regard to the abandoned cemeteries, Supervisor Fessenden is still waiting for a determination of ownership from the State.

The Town Attorney is still working on the SEMA-FEMA issue.

The authors of the independent tower letter were invited to attend a board meeting. There has been no response.

A member of the GHA board asked why a bid wasn't sent out with regard to the roof repair. It was not needed because of the cost.

NEW BUSINESS

The report from the Southern Cayuga Ambulance stated that during the month of March, there were 27 calls with 16 for transport. Twelve of the 27 were for the Town of Genoa.

The Cayuga County Health Department inspected the Town water. Inspection passed.

The sales tax revenue for the first quarter of 2011 saw an increase of \$19,000.

Judge Timian, who is substituting for Judge Bennett, is being paid by the State.

Supervisor Fessenden attended an American Farmland Trust round table meeting in Waterloo.

Someone inquired about the painting of the fire hydrants. Board member Sellen suggested using the CC prisoners.

Joe Redder asked about the flushing of the hydrants. This should be done twice a year.

There will be a hydrofracking meeting in Locke on May 19 at 7 pm. Dan Welch from the Cornell Cooperative Extension will be the speaker.

There is also a meeting in Cortland on May 17 about the same subject. It will be held at the Cortland County Office Building.

Inter-municipality land use will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

There will be a meeting in Binghamton on June 24 about natural gas drilling. It will be held at the River Walk Hotel.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 8:15 p.m.

With no further business, on a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Sellen, the Board meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk