

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

June 8, 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 June 8, 2011

Present	Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor	Fran Mitchell
	Cheryl Shields, Board member	Frank Sellen, Highway Superintendent
	Dale Sellen, Board member	Donna Webster
	Stuart Underwood, Board member	
	Al Armstrong, Board member	
	Sue Moss, Clerk	

The Regular meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Supervisor Lorie Fessenden with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Fran Mitchell had been asked (as our Legislator) by the Board, to find out the appropriate division of the Workers' Compensation bill for the Town's fire departments.

RESOLUTION 55-2011 APPROVAL OF 50/50 DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION BILL

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Underwood, Armstrong
 Nays 0

Resolved that the Workers' Compensation Bill for the Genoa and King Ferry Fire Departments be divided 50/50.

Fran was also asked about the status of the feasibility study for the bio-gas pipeline. He said it hasn't gotten past the County Legislature.

Donna Webster told the Board that the dog enumeration project is going well except for a few residents who don't see why a dog has to be licensed.

RESOLUTION 56-2011 APPROVAL OF May 11 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 minutes of May 11, 2011 be approved with a correction. At that meeting, Joe Redder had asked about any plans to turn the vacant field north of the Town Hall into a park. This question will be included in the survey to be sent to the Town of Genoa residents by the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Fessenden

RESOLUTION 57-2011 **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 May Supervisor's Report be approved

CLERK'S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk's Office for May 2011

Certified Copies \$ 20.00

Building Permits 836.00

Dog Licenses 285.00

Disbursements for May

Pd to Supervisor \$ 1141.00

NYS Animal Population Control Fund 39.00

The Clerk gave the Board an update on the new tax software being introduced by the County. It will be in place by the end of the year.

RESOLUTION 58-2011 **CLERK'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 May 2011 Clerk's Report be accepted

HIGHWAY REPORT

Dale Sellen

Jeff and Eric have been doing more ditching. Closed Cowan Road and installed a cross culvert leading into the swamp. UFPO has Center Road staked for lines. NYSEG did come and cut a few limbs off the maple tree that was into the wires. Men have been out spreading a few 1A's on spots where slow heavy traffic was trying to lift the pavement.

Ordered salt for mixing with cinders that we hauled from AES Cayuga. Ledyard helped us haul for a day which helped us stock pile over 1100 ton. That's about half of what we'll need for the winter. Hopefully we can get more in the fall.

Frank purged the wells at the landfill to get ready for this year's testing. The water table was up very high and made it quicker, not having to wait for the water to recover.

Frank attended the 66th annual Cornell School for Highway Superintendents.

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Lorie Fessenden

Supervisor Fessenden was told by Heather Garner that there were 106 changes in assessment in the Town. Sixty-nine of the changes were increases. There were 266 agriculture exemptions.

Carolyn Robinson (Board of Assessment) has volunteered to help the assessor with paperwork.

RESOLUTION 59-2011 VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE TO THE ASSESSOR

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, Underwood, Armstrong
Nays 0

Resolved that Carolyn Robinson volunteer to assist the Assessor.

As of the meeting, only one resume had been received for the Highway Department job opening.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Mick Piechuta (absent)

Date: 5/12/11 – 6/8/11

Hours: 27.5

Miles: 182

PERMITS ISSUED:

11 – 16 S. Gloss	Atwater Rd.	Pool
11 – 17 C. Wellman	Mahaney Rd.	Addition
11 – 18 R. & C. Shields	Rt. 90	Addition
11 – 19 S Eicher/Solar	Powers Rd.	Solar Panels
11 – 20 J. Powers	Rt.90	Deck
11 – 21 P. & J. Signor	Rt. 90	New House

INSPECTIONS:

T. Meyers	Atwater Rd.	E. Eicher	Powers Rd.
K. Gallego	Rt. 90	S. Meyers	Weeks Rd. (C of C)
P. Signor	Rt. 90	J. Kirkwood	Atwater Rd. (2-C-of-O)
K. Manzari	Rt. 90	M. Quinn	Goose St.
W. Thomas	Powers Rd.	K. Ward	Hill Rd.
A. Grillo	Rt. 34B (C of C)		

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

- Plan reviews of P. Signor.
- Sent letter to a resident on Mahaney Rd. that was building with no Permit. All OK now.
- Inspect a camp on FL#5 that the owner wants to tear down. Referred them to a Contractor and told them they should have an Asbestos Survey completed.
- Still have not made contact with owner of Genoa Car Wash to do an Inspection.
- Follow up on a complaint on the corner of Blakley and Creek Rds.
- Will list and send letters to owners of property that are not taking care of lawns that they are in violation of the NYS Property Maintenance Law.

PROGRAMS AND GRANTS

Lorie Fessenden

Lorie reported on the Summer Swim Program. Most instructors will return and she would like to hire 5 new substitutes. This will mean an increase to the budget. She has signed the agreement between Southern Cayuga School and the Town.

RESOLUTION 60-2011 **INCREASE TO THE SUMMER SWIM PROGRAM BUDGET**

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 Summer Swim Program budget be increased.

The Merry-Go-Round Theater will be presenting the play, Aladdin, in July.

WATER REPORT

Cheryl Shields

April

Average – 60,500

Total – 1,800,500

May

Average – 69,200

Total – 2,145,800

A request for water service was presented to the Board

RESOLUTION 61-2011 **APPROVE A NEW WATER SERVICE**

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 a new water service be approved.

Supervisor Fessenden asked the Water Committee to convene a meeting to discuss the new water purchasing situation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

None

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING

Al Armstrong

The new survey should be sent out on June 20.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Lorie Fessenden

The inmates will be spending a day (June 28) doing yard work for the Town of Genoa and the Genoa Historical Association.

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Resolution 62-2011 **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

Resolved to accept presented bills.

DOG CONTROL REPORT

Two complaints received during month of April
No activity during month of May

HISTORIAN

None

OLD BUSINESS

It was decided the TOG would not participate in The “Small Business Energy Efficiency Program” proposal from EnerPath.

With regard to the abandoned cemeteries, Supervisor Fessenden told the Board that the Town has no responsibility. The GHA will need to find the property owners and talk with them about cleanup. The authors of the independent tower letter were invited to attend a board meeting. They still want to attend but have not indicated when.

Board member Shields attended the hydrofracking meeting in Locke. Dan Welch from the Auburn Cornell Cooperative Extension office spoke at the meeting. There will be a conference in Binghamton on June 24.

The subject of an inter-municipal agreement between the Town and Cayuga County was tabled until the July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Fessenden will be attending a meeting on June 13 presented by Southern Cayuga Ambulance. There will be no increase in rates by NYMIR.

A letter was received from Cheryl Heary and Katie Lacey concerning the consolidation of election districts. They will keep the Towns informed.

Cayuga County Legislature Chairman Peter Tortorici has sent a letter requesting support for E911.

An email was received requesting permission by the Cayuga County Department of Planning and Economic Development to hold a meeting at the Town Hall on June 29 from 4 to 5:30 pm.

Resolution 63-2011 **APPROVAL OF MEETING**

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 to approve a meeting at the Town Hall to be held by the Cayuga County Department of Planning and Economic Development.

Resolution 64-2011 **APPROVAL OF CAYUGA COUNTY/TOWN OF GENOA HISTORY CELEBRATION – JULY 16**

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 to approve using the Town Hall for the Cayuga County/Town of Genoa History Celebration.

There are concerns about the appearance of the 4 corners in King Ferry. There is now graffiti on the walls of the building at the south/east corner.

The painting of the fire hydrants is the responsibility of the Water Department.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 9:20 p.m.

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

Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk