

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

December 12, 2012

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 12, 2012

Present	Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor	Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement Officer
	Cheryl Shields, Board member (arrived later)	Frank Sellen, Highway Superintendent
	Dale Sellen, Board member	Mark Conner, Water Superintendent
	Brandon White, Board member (absent)	
	Al Armstrong, Board member	
	Sue Moss, Clerk	

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

Resolution 99-2012 **APPROVAL OF November 14 MEETING MINUTES**

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

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Fessenden, Sellen, Armstrong
	Nays	0	

Resolved that the November 14, 2012 meeting minutes be approved

REPORTS

RESOLUTION 100-2012 **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNT TRANSFERS**

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

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
	Nays	0	

Resolved that three account transfers be approved (one Highway and 2 Water)

RESOLUTION 101-2012 **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

ADOPTED	Ayes	3	Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
	Nays	0	

Resolved to accept the bills as presented and hold any bills that will cause accounts to be overdrawn until the year-end meeting

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CLERK'S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk's Office for November 2012

Marriage License	\$ 17.50
Certified Copies	20.00
Dog Licenses	140.00
Building Permits	262.50

Disbursements for November

Pd to Supervisor	\$ 440.00
Pd to NYS Ag & Markets	22.00

RESOLUTION 102-2012 **CLERK'S REPORT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
Nays 0

Resolved that the November 2012 Clerk's Report be accepted

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Lorie Fessenden

Lorie read the December 2012 Assessor's Report

It is exemption time again. Renewal applications have been printed at the County Real Property Office for the first time this year. I will have all renewal applications mailed by the end of November. All exemption applications are due MARCH 1st. I will send an application for the Income Verification to each property owner receiving Enhanced STAR that does not currently have an application on file again this year.

All property owners receiving Agricultural, Senior Citizen with low income, Enhanced Star or Disability exemptions must re-apply each year.

On November 14, 2012, I had the opportunity to present at the Women in Tax Assessment Group with Lezli Parsons, Sterling Assessor and Kelly Anderson, Cayuga County Real Property Director. There were quite a few people in attendance. The presentation was broadcast to several locations throughout the State. Kelly, Lezli and I shared aspects of the revaluation process that can be troubling and focused on sharing tools and techniques to minimize those areas. We emphasized the importance of creating positive relationships with those involved in the process.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Garner, Town of Genoa Assessor

HIGHWAY REPORT

Dale Sellen

The men have been working in the shop getting the grader put back together. The plow equipment is on and ready to go if we need it. The lift cylinder on #9 is rebuilt and back on. The seals were installed in the front of the motor and Eric has been hauling with it.

The men have been cutting back brush and trees that were hanging out from the last winds we had. Matt has been using the ditcher for the harder to reach limbs.

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Mark has been taking advantage of the weather and mowing more of the backsides of the ditches before winter sets in.

The new John Deere loader was delivered on the 21st. Instead of the yearly program, the Government has made the dealers go to a 2-year buy-back agreement. The new loader we received has the new tier 4 motor, (a \$10,000.00 upgrade) plus quick-attach forks, 4 in one bucket, GP bucket and high lift arms.

Parrott/Wolf completed the extra borings for the bridge project. It was determined that extra pylons would be needed on the west side to get down to the bedrock and control scour.

We were informed by the State D.O.T. that straight salt will be used on the State roads that we maintain through the winter months. NO more mix is to be used on their roads. This will have to be discussed by the board members to determine our options.

Dale is going to speak with George Wethey, Cayuga County Highway Superintendent about the salt issue. The Town doesn't have the right equipment. This would mean less money for the Town if the County takes over the salting of County roads but it will also be less expensive for the Town. There would be less overtime and the amount of fuel used would be reduced.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT (November 2012)

Mick Piechuta

Hours: 25.5

Miles: 105

PERMITS ISSUED:

Demo – 5	Delta Const/E. Lanning	Shed	
12 – 46	Delta/Lanning	9127 Rt. 90	Storage Bldg.
12 – 47	Mary Farrell	1322 Clearview	Deck
12 – 48(R)	Mark Miller	1211 Rt. 34	Renovations

INSPECTIONS:

R. Dalton	FL#7	T. Komoroski	FL#8
D. Pierce	Brooks Rd.	M. Farrell	Clearview
J. Lewis	Oberon	G. Lounsbury	1129 Honoco

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

- Investigated a building at 991 Academy St. No building being built.
- Talked to contractors that after January 1st, all roofs will need a building permit.
- Visited and answered questions about future building projects where Lot Size and Set Backs may be a problem. (Honoco Road)
- Responded to a complaint at 10010 Rt. 90. Made contact with owner and in the process of doing an inspection.

Mick reported that the Code Enforcement Officer for Lock and Scipio had died and that he had been asked to help out until a new CEO can be hired.

DOG CONTROL REPORT

None

WATER REPORT

Mark Conner

October total - 2,080,300 gallons

Daily average - 69,300 gallons

Mark reported that the residences shut-off valves don't work. Because of their age, they are rusted.

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Mark Conner

Cheryl will be setting up a meeting with Tim Buhl

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Lorie Fessenden

The Plan was delivered to Guy Krogh on November 29. He has not yet had a chance to look at it.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Al Armstrong

There are Christmas lights on the Town Hall sign. The spot lights are not working

PROGRAMS AND GRANTS

Lorie Fessenden

The Town has received the fuel invoice from Southern Cayuga Central School for the Summer Swim Program. It is included in tonight's bills.

HISTORIAN

None

MORATORIUM DISCOVERY COMMITTEE

Lorie Fessenden

Lorie met with Guy Krogh, the Town Attorney. He feels there hasn't been enough information obtained by the Committees.

OLD BUSINESS

The Broadband bill was passed by the Ways and Means Committee and will be presented to the full Cayuga County Legislature at their November 13 meeting.

The SCIA has requested that a Town Board member join their Board. The Board feels this is a conflict of interest and instead would like to appoint a liaison.

RESOLUTION 103-2012 **APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER AS LIAISON TO SCIA**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
Nays 0

Resolved that Brandon White be appointed liaison to SCIA

Lorie has asked for a business plan from SCIA but has not yet received it.

Lorie is waiting to receive recommendations from Judge Bennett for new Town Laws.

RESOLUTION 104-2012 **ESTABLISH PART-TIME EMPLOYEE POSITION FOR CIVIL SERVICE SECURITY OFFICER FOR THE COURT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
Nays 0

Resolved that Civil Service security officer be appointed to the Court

The new Employee Handbook is being looked over by the Town Attorney

RESOLUTION 105-2012 **APPROVE MUNICIPAL CELL PHONE USE & TOWN OF GENOA SEATBELT POLICY**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
Nays 0

Resolved that municipal cell phone use & Town of Genoa seatbelt policy be adopted

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 106-2012 APPROVE CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED NETWORK MEMBERSHIP

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
Nays 0

Resolved that the Town of Genoa establish membership with the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network. The cost is \$25 per year.

The Board members have been invited to the Thaler and Thaler Holiday party on Thursday, December 13 at 3:30 p.m.

John Berry is the designated representative, for the Town, to the Cayuga County Planning Board. Does he wish to continue?

The Town will inform AmeriGas to cancel further deliveries of propane to the Town Hall.

Pickard/Anderson sent their landfill monitoring report to Lorie. It has not changed much from last year.

Someone asked the Supervisor if area snowmobile routes are legal.

The Board agreed that the Year-End meeting will be Saturday, December 29 at 8 a.m. and the Organizational meeting will be on Wednesday, January 2 at 7 p.m.

Frank is going to check with the Highway employees to see if they would like to have a portion of their paychecks put into a Deferred Compensation Plan for State employees. There is a \$20 annual fee.

Cheryl attended the Cayuga County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Project meeting in Auburn.

With no further business, on a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Armstrong, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Lorie Fessenden

RESOLUTION 107-2012 **APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen
Nays 0

Resolved that the November 2012 Supervisor's Report be approved. This report was approved by email after the meeting was adjourned.