

**MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA**

**January 9, 2013**

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 January 9, 2013

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| Present | Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor          | Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement Officer |
|         | Cheryl Shields, Board member         | Frank Sellen, Highway Superintendent    |
|         | Dale Sellen, Board member            | Mark Conner, Water Superintendent       |
|         | Brandon White, Board member (absent) | Kim Bennett, Town Justice               |
|         | Al Armstrong, Board member           | Marilyn Mann, Town Historian            |
|         | Sue Moss, Clerk                      | Matt Rejman                             |
|         |                                      | Kimberly Vile, SCCS Business Mgr.       |
|         |                                      | Patrick Jensen, SCCS Superintendent     |
|         |                                      | Joe Lonsky, SCCS Board member           |
|         |                                      | Dean Winspear, SCCS Board member        |

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.

Patrick Jenson, Southern Cayuga Central School Superintendent, spoke to the Board about the 2013 School budget. In the last ten years, the number of students has decreased from 838 to 762. Because of this, the budget and staffing has also decreased. He stated that salaries and benefits comprise a major portion of the budget and that the Retirement system drives the budget increases along with Workers' Comp and healthcare.

Marilyn Mann, Town of Genoa Historian, spoke to the Board summarizing 2012 for the Museum and the Genoa Historical Association. Marilyn said that they take a team approach to preserving the town's history. They have over 600 recorded visitors for 2012 plus there are many people who slip in without signing the book. They had 24 programs in 2012 and membership increased from 275 to 325. They have received \$3500 in grants and the Genoa history book is being reprinted (50 copies). One of Marilyn's concerns is lack of storage space.

Resolution 28-2013    **APPROVAL OF January 2 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES**

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

|         |      |   |                                       |
|---------|------|---|---------------------------------------|
| ADOPTED | Ayes | 4 | Fessenden, Sellen, Armstrong, Shields |
|         | Nays | 0 |                                       |

Resolved that the January 2, 2013 Organizational meeting minutes be approved

Kim Bennett presented his Checklist for Review of Justice Court Records for 2012. He went over each item with the Board as part of his annual audit requirement.

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Resolution 28a-2013 **APPROVAL OF JUSTICE KIM BENNETT'S ANNUAL AUDIT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Sellen, Armstrong, Shields  
Nays 0

Resolved that the Annual Audit of Justice Bennett be approved

Kim also submitted five (5) new local laws for 2013 pertaining to vehicle and traffic laws for the Town. The Board will discuss these at the next board meeting.

**REPORTS**

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Lorie Fessenden

RESOLUTION 29-2013 **APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen, Shields  
Nays 0

Resolved that the December 2012 Supervisor's Report be approved.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

Report on Revenues from Clerk's Office for December 2012

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| Certified Copies | 40.00  |
| Dog Licenses     | 183.00 |
| Building Permits | 245.00 |

**Disbursements for December**

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Pd to Supervisor       | \$ 468.00 |
| Pd to NYS Ag & Markets | 22.00     |

RESOLUTION 30-2013 **CLERK'S REPORT**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen, Shields  
Nays 0

Resolved that the December 2012 Clerk's Report be accepted

**HIGHWAY REPORT**

Dale Sellen

In December the men have gone from cutting trees and brush to plowing snow. As of now, we are still plowing and sanding State roads that are contracted through the County Highway. Our three trucks have applied 300 ton of salt and cinder mix on the 11.5 miles of State Highway we maintain. They applied 240 ton of mix on the 60.5 miles of Town and County roads. Eric has

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been out with the grader cutting ledges and pushing back. This should help when the snow melts to keep the water in the ditches and for drifting.

The last payment of 2012 was sent to Fisher Associates for the year- end borings, soil samples for drainage, and archeologist digs to determine abutment placing.

A letter has been drafted by the Town Board to Cayuga County Highway and NYS DOT, letting them know the Town is aware of the no-mix policy that the State DOT has on the roads that we are maintaining for them. The response should be interesting; it seems no one wants to take over our State roads. Frank was asked by the County to keep on plowing them until a decision is made.

Lorie informed the Board that the Snow Removal Contract has been received from the County.

### **ASSESSOR'S UPDATE**

Lorie Fessenden

The Assessor informed the Supervisor that all exemption renewals had been mailed

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT (December 2012)**

Mick Piechuta

Hours: 19.0

Miles: 85

#### **PERMITS ISSUED:**

|         |                 |                  |             |
|---------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|
| 12 – 49 | Anna Broughton  | 673 Creek Rd.    | Pavillion   |
| 12 – 50 | Craig Lounsbury | 1129 Honoco Rd.  | Renovations |
| 12 – 51 | John Morgan     | 11153 Rt. 90     | Renovations |
| 12 – 52 | Karin Wikoff    | 1003 Academy St. | Renovations |

#### **INSPECTIONS:**

|           |             |              |           |
|-----------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| R. Dalton | FL#7        | T. Komoroski | FL#8      |
| D. Pierce | Brooks Rd.  | M. Farrell   | Clearview |
| J. Lewis  | Oberon      | M. Miller    | Rt. 34    |
| K. Wikoff | Academy St. | J. Posner    | FL#7      |

#### **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:**

- Continue to answer questions concerning codes and rules for the Town.
- Kept in contact with the owner of 10010 Rt. 90 concerning an apartment inspection. Owner has a medical issue.
- Took care of any problems that might occur with a renovation plan on HONOCO Rd.
- Conducted a final inspection of a new home and found a few deficiencies in the workmanship. We are addressing the issues with the contractor.

Mick reported that for 2012, 8 new homes are being built worth \$1,638,000 and fees were up \$3000.

### **DOG CONTROL REPORT**

None

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**WATER REPORT**

Mark Conner

December total - 1,595,800 gallons

Daily average - 51,400 gallons

Year End total - 26,016,400 gallons

Average daily usage for the year - 71,277 gallons

The most water used in one day was in July - 157,900 gallons

**WATER COMMITTEE REPORT**

Cheryl Shields

Cheryl met with Tim Buhl. He is writing up a report for the Board that should be ready for the March meeting. This process will be long and will be conducted over many years. The least expensive section will cost approximately \$50,000 and the most expensive section will likely cost \$150,000.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN & MORATORIUM DISCOVERY COMMITTEE**

Lorie Fessenden

Lorie is still waiting to hear from the Town Attorney, Guy Krogh.

RESOLUTION 31-2013 **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen, Shields  
Nays 0

Resolved to accept the bills as presented and hold the Finger Lakes Dog Protection Agency check until the Supervisor receives the monthly report.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

None

**PROGRAMS AND GRANTS**

None

**HISTORIAN**

None

Marilyn Mann spoke earlier at the meeting

**OLD BUSINESS**

Lorie has not heard anything from Clarity Connect with regard to the Broadband grant.

The Board continues to work on the part-time security officer position for the Court.

Frank needs to talk with the Highway employees to discuss compensation hours for overtime.

He will inform Lorie and this will be included in the new Employee Handbook.

John Berry has accepted the re-appointment to the Cayuga County Planning Board.

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RESOLUTION 32-2013 **ACCEPT CONTRACT WITH THE SCIA**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen, Shields  
Nays 0

Resolved that the Town of Genoa Board accepts the SCIA contract and will pay one-fourth of the budgeted amount by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the first month of each quarter.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Lorie has received the Geotechnical Report on the Creek Road Bridge.

Town residents have voiced concern over the snowmobile trails in the Town to the Supervisor.

This is not Town business.

The final 2012 sales tax check was received from the County. It had increased \$12,000 over last year's check at this time.

Mark asked if money had been budgeted for well #4. It has.

With no further business, on a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Armstrong, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Carried unanimously.

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Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION 33-2013 **ADOPTION OF THE STATE OF NY DEFERRED  
COMPENSATION PLAN**

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Armstrong, Sellen, Shields  
Nays 0

Resolved that the adoption of the State of NY Deferred Compensation Plan be approved. This was approved by email after the meeting was adjourned.