

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

May 8, 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 April 10, 2013

Present Lorie Fessenden, Supervisor Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement Officer
 Cheryl Shields, Board member Frank Sellen, Highway Superintendent
 Dale Sellen, Board member Bob Folts
 Brandon White, Board member
 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.

Bob Folts, treasurer of the Genoa Historical Association, spoke to the Board about repairs that are needed at the Museum and School House. He has received an estimate from Tom May.

RESOLUTION 54-2013 APPROVAL OF GHA REPAIRS

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

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

Resolved that repairs to GHA be approved with the Town paying ½ and GHA paying ½.

RESOLUTION 55-2013 APPROVAL OF March 13 MEETING MINUTES

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen, Armstrong, White
 Nays 0
 Abstain 2 Fessenden, Shields

Resolved that the March 13, 2013 meeting minutes be approved

RESOLUTION 56-2013 APPROVAL OF April 10 MEETING MINUTES

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

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Fessenden, Sellen, Shields, White
 Nays 0
 Abstain 1 Armstrong

Resolved that the April 10, 2013 meeting minutes be approved

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RESOLUTION 57-2013 **APPROVAL OF April 24 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

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

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

Resolved that the April 24, 2013 Public Hearing minutes be approved

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Lorie Fessenden

RESOLUTION 58-2013 **APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

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

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

Resolved that the April 2013 Supervisor's Report be approved. The Supervisor noted that though it's only May, over half of one of the Highway accounts has been spent. Frank remarked this is because of the price of fuel oil and gas.

CLERK'S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk's Office for April 2013

Marriage License \$ 17.50

Dog Licenses 191.00

Building Permits 1,262.00

Disbursements for April

Pd to Supervisor \$1,470.00

Pd to NYS Ag & Markets 25.00

Pd to NYS Health Dept 22.50

RESOLUTION 59-2013 **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, White, Armstrong
Nays 0

Resolved that the April 2013 Clerk's Report be accepted

HIGHWAY REPORT

Dale Sellen

The men have been hauling crusher run stone for cold paving and crushed gravel from Binns for driveways and shoulder work.

Matt has been out with the tractor and broom cleaning up intersections and shoulders. The men have been patching holes and shoulders. Most of our patch was used on Weeks Road, as the road was dug up from a set of plows that wasn't lifted when exiting a field, leaving quite a furrow into the surface.

Jeff and Matt have been ditching and cleaning culverts.

Frank met with George Wethey and Steve Coons from Cayuga County, at the highway garage and discussed the State Roads that we maintain during the winter months. Cayuga County's contract with the State has expired, before signing a new one George is waiting to see what decision our Town decides on.

Frank met with the lady from Ener-Path, regarding the lighting grants that are available for changing out the lighting fixtures in the highway garage, the front storage building, pump house and the water storage building. This should result in brighter, more efficient lighting if the board so decides. The prevailing wage will have to be factored in on the work, increasing the cost for labor.

At the last Superintendents' meeting, George Wethey was under attack from the Superintendents from the south end of the County for not having anything scheduled for road repair or rebuild in the southern end of the County. As in the past, all the work seems to be scheduled for northern, central areas of the County. The Superintendents from the south all agreed that the County roads are not holding the heavy loads from the gravel trucks and the farm equipment, resulting in pavement and sub base breakdown. The roads are getting dangerous to try and scrape during the winter months.

Frank has made contact with Bruce Natal regarding the blockage in Salmon Creek, south of the bridge, as well as areas to the north that have downed trees altering the flow. Bruce said there may be some grant money left for the stream bank erosion. He will explore some options and let Frank know at a later date.

A letter from the Board will be sent to Legislator Hans Pecher and other legislators concerning the ignored county roads.

ASSESSOR'S UPDATE

Lorie Fessenden

Heather sent the following email:

Tentative Rolls

The Tentative Assessment Roll is complete. The paper copy was delivered to the Town Hall April 30, 2013. An electronic copy is available on the Cayuga County website and will be on town website asap.

Grievance Day is June 4th 4-8pm.

I have posted the Days and times I will be sitting with the rolls. Changes of Assessment Notices were mailed May 2, 2013.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT (April 2013)

Mick Piechuta

Hours: 30

Miles: 135

PERMITS ISSUED:

13 - 04	Brian Davis	356 Sills Rd.	Pool House
13 - 05	Richard Carlton	433 Powers Rd.	New House
D13 -01	Richard Carlton	433 Powers Rd.	Two old Camps
13 - 06	Jason Tripp	589 Powers Rd.	Garage
13 - 07	Jodi Edwards	11218 Rt. 90	Mobile Home
13 - 08	Stacy Hilliard	9969 Rt. 90	Addition/shed

INSPECTIONS:

D. Pierce	Brooks Rd.	J. Shaw (C of C)	Rt. 90
Lounsbury	Honoco Rd.	S. Morse (C of C)	Oberon Dr.
A. Dalton (C of C)	FL#7	J. Underwood (C of C)	Rt. 34
J. Underwood (C of C)	FL#6	D. Green	Mahaney Rd Chimney Fire
J. Edwards	Rt. 90 (Site Visit)		
R. Carlton	Powers Rd. (Site Visit)		
F. Vakerich	FL#6 (Site Visit)		

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

- Continue closing out old Permits
- Met with residents concerning future projects and also continue answering phone calls about codes and Town Laws.
- Attended a seminar in Auburn put on by the Army Corps of Engineers concerning Docks, Boathouses, Wetlands, and Inland Waterways.

Mick stated that he found this seminar to be very informative and interesting.

DOG CONTROL REPORT

None

Lorie has received complaints from residents about barking dogs in Genoa.

WATER REPORT

Frank Sellen

March total - 2,253,300 gallons

Daily average - 75,100 gallons

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Cheryl Shields

There will be a meeting during the week of May 13.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Lorie Fessenden

The inmates will be at the Town Hall to spread mulch, wash windows (on the outside) and the outside of the building.

Scott White would, once again, like permission to mow the field north of the Town Hall.

PROGRAMS AND GRANTS

Lorie Fessenden

The Towns of Scipio and Venice have donated to the 2012 Swim Program and plan to donate for 2013. The contract between SCCS and the Town of Genoa has been signed.

RESOLUTION 60-2013 **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, White, Armstrong
Nays 0

Resolved to accept the bills as presented.

HISTORIAN

None

OLD BUSINESS

- A Town resident has donated \$68,000 toward the shortfall of grant funds for the broadband installation. There is a link on the Genoa website that will take you to Clarity Connect where you can sign up if interested in broadband.
- Lorie met with Justice Bennett about the new Town Laws. She said the Town attorney advises against them but perhaps one law can be passed.
- The Court Security Officer doesn't need to live in the Town but must be a resident in the County.
- The Employee Handbook was passed out to the board members for review. They were asked to get back to the Supervisor in two weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

- GHA will be conducting tours of local cemeteries and an insurance form needs to be signed.
- It has been determined that the Town does own the Sharpsteen Cemetery.
- A check was received from the County for first quarter sales tax and is down \$2100 from last year's first quarter.
- A variance board member is needed. An ad will be placed.
- Lorie prepared a spreadsheet for the Highway Superintendent and the Board for review of funds available to purchase machinery for 2013.
- Frank will send a letter to Mr. George Wethey telling him that the Town of Genoa will not be plowing the State roads in the Town as the Town doesn't have the proper equipment for spreading salt on the roads.
- Cheryl will study the results from NYSERTA about energy efficiency and will get back to the Board.

With no further business, on a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Sellen, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Carried unanimously.