

MEETING, TOWN BOARD OF GENOA

November 12, 2014

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 November 12, 2014

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| Present | Lorie Sellen-Gross, Supervisor | Guy Krogh, Town Attorney |
| | Cheryl Shields, Board Member | Mick Piechuta, Code Enforcement |
| | Don Slocum, Board Member | Frank Sellen, Highway Supt. |
| | Brandon White, Board Member (absent) | |
| | Al Armstrong, Board Member (absent) | |
| | Sue Moss, Clerk | |

Other attendees were Joel Meade, Kayla Mayberry, John Boles, Jeff Layton, Steve Eicher, Bruce Hall, Bruce Sherman from CEDA, Anne Dalton, Pete Saltonstall, Dave Baildon, David Pierce and Janet Pierce.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Lorie Sellen-Gross with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and commenced while waiting for Mr. Krogh.

Lorie discovered that the refunded money for the cancelled bridge project was, in fact, General Fund monies and would be transferred from Highway (refunds 2014 to General (refunds 2014).

RESOLUTION 89-2014 APPROVAL OF FUND TRANSFER

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Slocum, Shields
Nays 0

Resolved that the transfer of funds be approved

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Lorie Fessenden

RESOLUTION 90-2014 APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Shields, Slocum
Nays 0

Resolved that the October 2014 Supervisor’s Report be approved.

CLERK’S REPORT

Report on Revenues from Clerk’s Office for October 2014

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| Dog Licenses | \$ 158.00 |
| Building Permits | 993.45 |

Disbursements for October

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| Pd to Supervisor | \$ 1151.45 |
| Pd to NYS Ag & Markets | 22.00 |

RESOLUTION 91-2014 CLERK'S REPORT

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Slocum, Shields
Nays 0

Resolved that the October 2014 Clerk's Report be accepted

REPORTS

HIGHWAY REPORT

Frank Sellen

The men have finished mixing up the cinders and salt that was hauled in for the season.

Matt and Jeff have been mowing the back sides of fields and Jeff has finished mowing the landfill.

The men have been ditching, installing drive way culverts and changing cross culverts.

Frank had Jeff Lampman take down a large tree on Shingle Valley Road, our men cleaned up the aftermath. The men also took down a tree for Scott Shaw on Center and Route 34B that was on the Town right-of way.

The men have completed the shoulders on Mahaney Road, with help from Locke, Moravia and Niles. We used Locke's shoulder machine.

The men have been working on trucks, installing the plow frames and sanders, making sure they will go if needed.

Frank contacted Jay Lampman, regarding the boiler system at the highway garage. The electronic unit that runs the boiler has burned out and is obsolete. RCI Heating has closed its doors, so Jay is going to give us a quote on a repair to, at least, make it usable for us again.

Lorie told Frank that Indian Field Road is in very good shape. She recently had occasion to drive on it. She attempted to call George Wethey to speak with him about Lake Road and the miserable shape it is in. She left a message but has not yet received a return call. She asked those attending the meeting to please do the same if they were so inclined. She has received many complaints about the road.

ASSESSOR REPORT

Lorie Sellen-Gross

I picked up the renewal applications from Cayuga County Real Property. I will be working on having them ready for the mail the first week of December.

I plan to mail Enhanced Star prior to that.

I have been working on vacant land parcels and waterfront parcel values so far. Residential town will be my next focus.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Garner

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT (October 2014)

Mick Piechuta

Hours: 32 Miles: 121 Training: 94

PERMITS ISSUED:

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| 14-38 | Frank Vakerich | 955 FL 6 | Raise home |
| 14-39 | Helena Chemical | 1108 State Route 34 | Lime Pit Cover |
| 14-40 | Preston Wilson | 3003 Lansing/Genoa Townline Rd. | Storage Building |
| 14-41 | David Vanderhoof | 11170 State Route 90 | Deck |
| 14-42 | Francis Backner | 8918 State Route 90 | Roof |
| 14-43 | Bill Piechuta | 992 State Route 34B | Garage |
| 14-44 | J. Beyea | 1048 Bradley Street | Deck |
| 14-45 | J. Uhl | 8867 State Route 90 | Roof |

INSPECTIONS:

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| Betsy Leonard | Cowan Rd. | Helena Chemical | Route 34 |
| Bob Lampman | FL#2 | J. Binns | Route 34B |
| John Grant | Creek Rd. | B. Piechuta | Route 34B |
| J. Lewis | Oberon Dr. | Frank Vakerich | FL#6 |
| R. Orr (C of O) | Route 34 | D. Mandel | Route 90 |
| T. May | Route 34B | P. Wilson | Lansing/Genoa Townline Road |
| Brad Bilinski | FL#6 | B. Vanderhoof | Route 90 |

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

Received information from Cazenovia Equipment about wind turbine projects that are proposed for the Town.
Met with County Health Department concerning the septic system at the store in King Ferry
Attended the NYS Fire Marshall and Inspector Seminar at Montour Falls
Met with Jeff Spade regarding the expansion project of Stonewell Bodies
Continue to work on the outstanding issues of the Town
Sent two requests to the Variance Board. The hearing is scheduled for November 18

Lorie reiterated that as Town Supervisor, she feels, and she knows that others feel the same, that often decisions have been made in the past on the day of the Variance Board Meeting. It is best to give more thought to a decision by adjourning the meeting and rescheduling it for a later date or providing an answer to the petitioner at a later date. This is only a recommendation as the Town Board is a completely separate board from the Variance Board and cannot vote on their variance decision during those at proceedings.

Guy Krogh, attorney for the Town, was introduced. He reviewed the present draft of the Heavy Industry Ordinance. He suggested some changes in the ordinance should we still consider it. He also mentioned that the Town should look once again at the Comprehensive Plan and perhaps prepare a local law rather than an ordinance as a law stands stronger in the court system if this is what the Town wants to do. Attendees in the audience asked many questions of the attorney; laws against hydrofracking, road use agreements, heavy industry, examples of heavy industry. Town residents present requested the attorney to provide the Town Board with examples of local

laws he has prepared for towns similar to the Town of Genoa that prohibit hydrofracking and heavy industry. The Board in turn asked him to go ahead and do so. The Board will review these as soon as possible to present to the public per town attendees present requests.

Lorie also asked him if signage has any impact on preventing people from tipping over headstones in cemeteries and or providing protection of liability of the town or cemetery associations within the town. He recommended she contact the NYS Cemetery Association about suggestions that may deter people from doing this. He said signs will only protect up to a certain point and that signs will point out the danger and a known problem, known neglect and a known possible liability in advance.

WATER REPORT

Sue Moss
September total - 2,308,400 gallons
Daily average - 76,900 gallons

October total - 2,144,700 gallons
Daily average- 69,100 gallons

DOG CONTROL REPORT

None

WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Cheryl Shields
Cheryl and Brenda met with Heather to talk about how taxes are figured for those on the water line. Heather called real properties and it was decided that they were established at the time these contracts were written which would have been in the late 1960's. The Water Committee met with Tim Buhl at the November 3rd meeting.

RESOLUTION 92-2014 APPROVAL OF 2015 FINAL PRELIMINARY BUDGET

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

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| ADOPTED | Supervisor Fessenden | Aye |
| | Board Member Shields | Aye |
| | Board Member Slocum | Aye |
| Ayes | 3 | |
| Nays | 0 | |

Resolved to approve 2015 Final Preliminary Budget as 2015 Adopted Budget.

OLD BUSINESS

Cheryl will contact John Conner about the electrical work to be done at the Town Hall for the Court's grant application.

A notice will be placed in the Shopper and the Citizen concerning the Maplewood Cemetery. It will run four times.

There will be a cell tower proposal meeting November 13 at the Town Hall.

The Board will look at the Junk Law draft before the end of the year. Plans are that it be Local Law #1 of 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

Lorie will speak with Roberta Parseghian about signs for the cemetery
She will be putting an article in the next issue of the Tribune regarding Town Business, etc.
The Board discussed a request by the Town Court to order their own office supplies. As it now stands, the Clerk handles the ordering of supplies. The Board decided to leave it as is.
Lorie asked Frank if he would talk with his employees and ask them to purchase their clothing allowance items at AgTrac, Jennings Department Store and/or The Liberty Store as the Town has accounts with these three establishments.

RESOLUTION 93-2014 APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Sellen-Gross, Slocum, Shields
Nays 0

Resolved to accept the bills as presented.

With no further business, on a motion of Board member Shields, seconded by Board member Slocum, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Susan B. Moss, Town Clerk