

A regular meeting was held August 7, 2012 at Hutchinson Hall, Newark Valley at 7:00 P.M. The following were

PRESENT:

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor
Donald Thomas, Councilman
Ronald Graham, Councilman
Joe Tomazin, Jr., Councilman
Dan Cheresnowski, Councilman

Also Present: Charlie Meade; Highway Superintendent, Karen McMullen; Levene, Gouldin, & Thompson, Attorneys to the Town, Hans Peeters; Planning Board Chairman, Charlie Morgan, Jane Locacio, Todd Cawley, Carl D. Brink, Anne Beebe, John Neuwerk, Nancy Neuwerk, Andrea Hillmann, Martin Hillmann, John C. Hoert, Nancy Bolson, George Bolson, Steve Crossen, Kenneth Williams, Julie Holcomb, Rodney Holcomb, Fred G. Keichle, Han Hurley, Sherry Hurley, Karen Gunther, Johnny Neuwerk.

Supervisor Yetter called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Supervisor Yetter led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Highway Issues:

Charles Meade, Highway Superintendent, discussed repairs and ongoing road work with regards to Howard Hill, Russell Road and Rock Street. He received a check from FEMA, for Lamb Rd. repairs, short the \$21,000.00 necessary for rip rap. Currently working to correct the shortage. The ongoing town-wide road work and repairs require an additional \$100,000.00.

Resolution #80-2012

Authorization for Funds Transfer for Highway Dept.

On a motion offered by Councilman Cheresnowski and seconded by Councilman Graham, the Town Board authorizes the transfer of \$100,000.00 from DB3960 FEMA to DB5110.4 Road Repair Contractual.

Councilman Thomas -AYE
Councilman Graham - AYE
Councilman Tomazin- AYE
Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE
Supervisor Yetter - AYE

Motion Carried

Stray Haven Contract

Karen McMullen; Levene, Gouldin, & Thompson, Attorneys to the Town, discussed receipt and her approval of the amended Stray Haven Contract. Changes are effective August 1, 2012. The cost of doing business with them will be \$309.38, the fee per dog will be \$80.00, and there will be specific hours with regards to when they will accept dogs from the DCO, Jim Weed.

Resolution #81-2012

Approval of the Amended Stray Haven Contract

On a motion offered by Councilman Cheresnowski and seconded by Councilman Graham, the Town Board authorizes Supervisor Yetter to enter into the agreement with Stray Haven .

Councilman Thomas -AYE
Councilman Graham - AYE
Councilman Tomazin- AYE
Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE
Supervisor Yetter - AYE

Motion Carried

Employee Health Insurance

Supervisor Yetter has investigated options with regards to saving the Town money while maintaining equal or improved coverage for employees. The Town must notify the Health Care Consortium by August 2012 if they are intending to leave by the first of the year. The notification must be in the form of a resolution.

Change of Venue for August 21 Meeting

The Landowners Coalition would like to make 20-30 minute presentation at the next board meeting. To allow space for the anticipated crowd, Supervisor Yetter has asked to have the August 21, 2012 Board Meeting held at the Newark Valley Fire Station.

Resolution #82-2012

Change of Venue for the August 21, 2012 Meeting

On a motion offered by Councilman Cheresnowski and seconded by Councilman Thomas, the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to advertise that the August 21, 2012 Town Board Meeting will be held at 7:00PM at the Newark Valley Fire Station on Rte. 38.

Councilman Thomas -AYE
Councilman Graham - AYE
Councilman Tomazin- AYE
Councilman Cheresnowski - AYE
Supervisor Yetter - AYE
Motion Carried _

Planning Board

Hans Peeters said the Planning Board is continuing their work on a Comprehensive Plan.

At 7:32, with the business at hand being done, Supervisor Yetter opened the floor:

Privilege of the Floor

A spirited discussion of the possible gas drilling ensued.

Privilege of the Floor was closed.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 P.M., offered by Councilman Tomazin and seconded by Councilman Cheresnowski.

The next scheduled meeting is August 21, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexandra Torra
Deputy Town Clerk